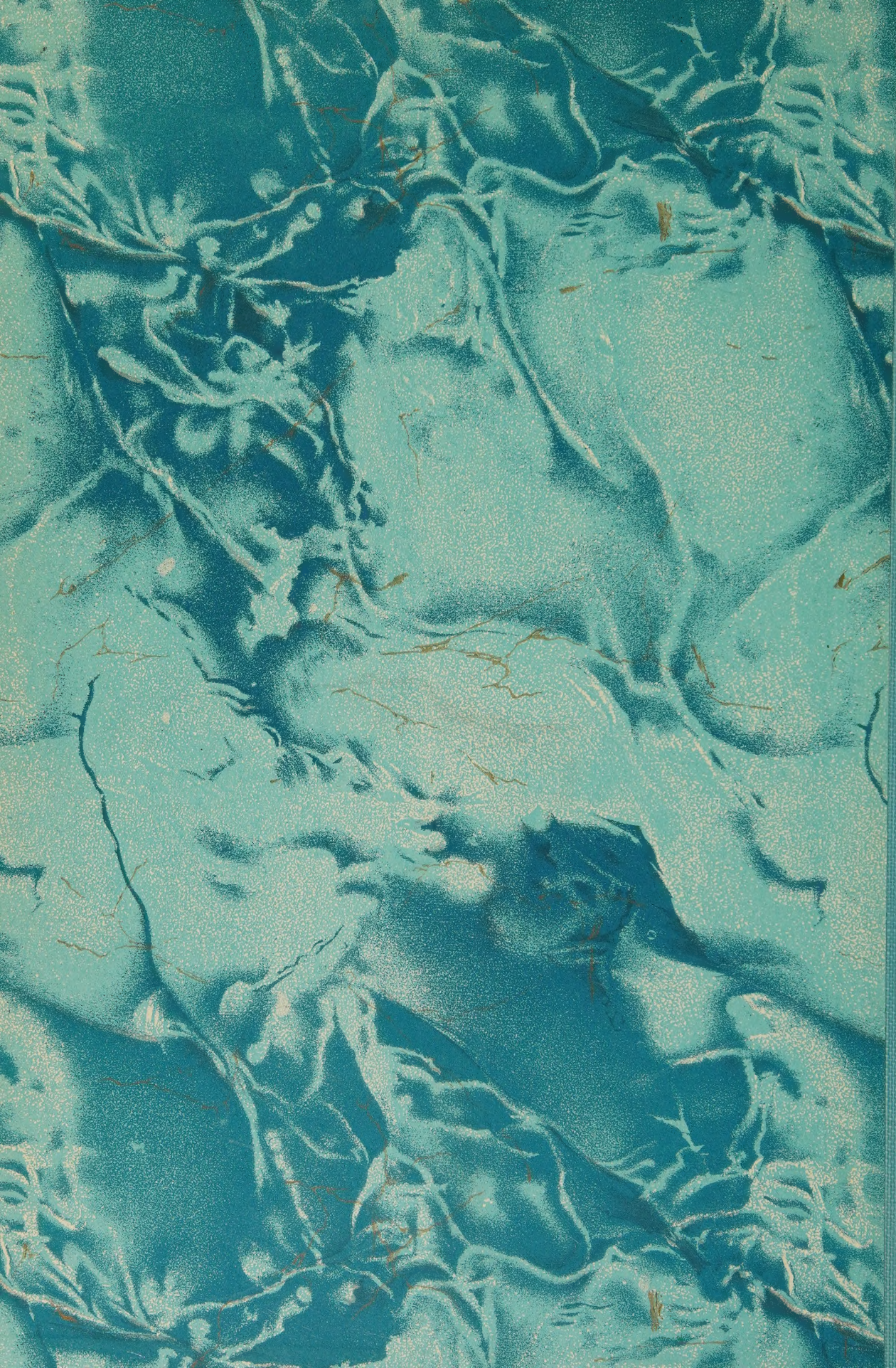

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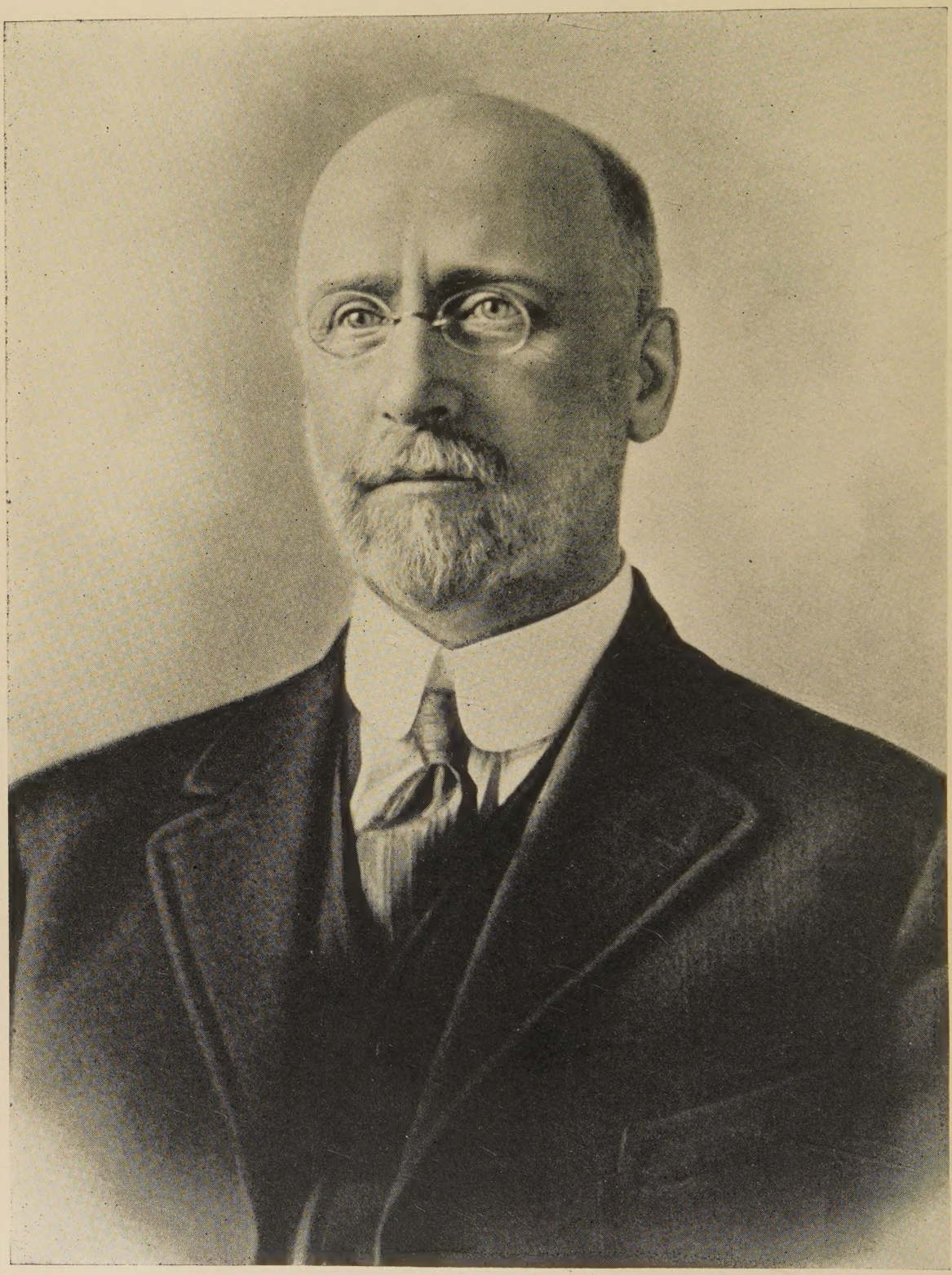

Thomas Beckett

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THOMAS BECKETT. One of the most interesting industries of the Miami Valley is the Beckett Paper Company of Hamilton. In 1848, four years before a railroad was constructed in Hamilton, a citizen of Toledo decided to build a paper mill at Hamilton, engaging a Scotch paper maker, Adam Laurie, as superintendent of construction. The business was soon in difficulties, and William Beckett, a lawyer at Hamilton, came to the aid of Mr. Laurie and secured the capital for finishing the plant and starting its operations. The first firm was known as Beckett, Rigdon and Martins, which was followed by Beckett, Rigdon & Company, then by Beckett and Laurie, Beckett, Laurie & Company, William Beckett and Son, and in 1887 the Beckett Paper Company was incorporated. After the first two or three years the business was on a profitable basis, and continued so except during the first year of the Civil war, when the company gave a signal illustration of its integrity by fulfilling a disastrous contract to furnish the Cincinnati Gazette with paper at 9 cents a pound, when the cost of stock alone was at that figure or above.

After the Civil war it was several years before a period of readjustment as to prices and financial conditions took place, culminating in the panic of 1873. In that panic William Beckett suffered severe financial losses through his interest in railroad building, but the firm of Beckett, Laurie & Company was continued. Some years later the mill at Hamilton began to suffer competition with the water power mills of the Northwest, and also as a result of the conservative policies of the older men in the business who declined to install the modern machinery for efficient production.

For several years Thomas Beckett, son of William Beckett, had been studying the causes of the unprofitable business and finally he persuaded his father to purchase the interests of the Lauries and thus give him a free hand in reorganizing, installing new machinery and starting the business on a new basis altogether. The Lauries consented to the terms of purchase, and Mr. Thomas Beckett as owner of a half interest incorporated the Beckett Paper Company in December, 1887. The following year the plant began operation with new machinery, and with Thomas Beckett as head of the manufacturing side and his father, William Beckett, as salesman, the business was soon again on a profitable basis. The company weathered the financial storm of 1893, when so many paper houses went bankrupt, and since 1894 the company has been specializing on cover paper, under the trade name of Buckeye Cover, and later introduced the manufacture of writing papers, which involved practically the entire reconstruction of the plant. The business suffered heavy losses during the disastrous flood of 1913, but in 1923 the company had the honor of celebrating the seventy-fifth anniversary of its existence, a unique record among paper mills of the Middle West. Through all that three-quarters of a century the business had been conducted on one site and by one family.

However, the anniversary year of 1923 was marred by the death of Mr. Thomas Beckett, president of the company, who passed away July 22, 1923. He was born August 8, 1860. His father, William Beckett, founder of the Beckett Paper Company, was born in 1821 and died in 1895. William Beckett's grandfather, of Irish birth, heard of the wonderful resources of the Miami country of Southern Ohio while living in Western Pennsylvania, and in 1803 arrived in Butler County and built his pioneer log cabin and cleared the land for a farm. At that time the father of William Beckett was nine years old, and he grew up with the pioneer's training, and after the death of his father took up the burden of farming and subsequently built a saw mill and grist mill near Hamilton. He also engaged in the river trade through the New Orleans markets, and became one of the substantial business men of this section.

The wife of William Beckett represented another prominent family of Southern Ohio. Her father was John Woods, who was born in 1794, became a lawyer, and in 1824 was elected to Congress and served two terms. He was also a soldier in the War of 1812. In the words of Thomas Beckett, written a short time before his death:

"My grandfathers did not wait for things to be done—they did them. In Hamilton they saw the possibility of using the water of the Miami River for power, and both of them became interested in the Hamilton-Rossville Hydraulic Company, supplying some of the capital and a large part of the brains. My grandfather Woods drew up all the water-power leases, and they were so tightly drawn that we and other dissatisfied users of the power had great difficulty in having these leases cancelled some twenty years ago."

The late Mr. Thomas Beckett graduated from the Hamilton High School at the age of sixteen, and in the same year, in 1876, went into his father's paper mill as a worker, and during the next ten years mastered every phase of paper manufacture, finally becoming the executive head of the Beckett Paper Company in 1887.

In 1894 Mr. Beckett married Mary Millikin, daughter of the distinguished Dr. Dan Millikin of Hamilton. Nine children were born to their marriage: Nora (who died in 1900), Minor Millikin, Alice, Walter (who died in 1901), Lucy, Edith, Emily, William and Dan Millikin Beckett.

Minor Millikin Beckett, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Beckett, represents the third generation of the Beckett family in the Beckett Paper Company. After graduating as a chemical engineer from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1920 he spent the following year in the School of Chemical Engineering Projects, where he received the degree Master of Science. He is now president of the Beckett Paper Company.

JUDSON HARMON. As a figure both in state and national affairs, during the last half century there have been few Ohioans of such attractive personality and thorough going ability and at all times completely master of the soul as Judson Harmon of Cincinnati.

Fortunately for this publication a sketch has been prepared by an Ohio editor and writer who has known Judge Harmon for thirty years, the work of the Columbus Dispatch.

Judson Harmon was born in the village of Newtown, near Cincinnati, February 3, 1846, son of the Rev. Benjamin Franklin Harmon, a Baptist minister. His mother, Julia (Brunson) Harmon, was a native of Olean, New York, and a school teacher before her marriage. Francis Harmon, first of the family to settle in America, came from Norfolk, England, to Massachusetts, in 1636. One of his sons was among the founders of Springfield, Massachusetts, and three other sons took part in the founding of Suffield, Connecticut. The ancestors of Judson Harmon, on both the father's and mother's side, served as soldiers in the Colonial wars, and in the war of the Revolution.

At the age of twenty, Judson Harmon was graduated from Denison University, Granville, Ohio, in the class of 1866, having largely earned his college expenses as he went along. He took the Bachelor of Arts course of his time, with Latin and Greek, and is still so thoroughly convinced of the value of classical studies as a mental discipline and a broadening intellectual influence that for some years past he has maintained an annual prize in Latin, open to members of the Freshman Latin Class in his alma mater.

After one year's service as public school principal in Columbia, Ohio, he began the study of law, and was graduated from the Cincinnati Law School, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, in 1869. He at once began the practice of law in Cincinnati. Five years later he served a term as mayor of Wyoming, a suburb of Cincinnati, in which he then had his residence. From 1878 to 1887 he served as judge of the Superior Court in Cincinnati.

His next call to public service came from President Cleveland, in whose cabinet he served as attorney general from early in June, 1895, to the end of Cleveland's term, in 1897. In this position he had much to do with shaping the earlier policy of the government in prosecutions under the Sherman anti-trust law. Short though this service was, it gave to the country at large a knowledge of the exceptional legal abilities, high professional standards and inexhaustible energy of which Ohio people were already well aware. That his ability extended to large business affairs as well as to legal problems was shown from 1905 to 1909, when he served as receiver for the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton, the Pere Marquette and the Toledo Terminal railways, and brought them successfully out of the troubles into which they had fallen.

Politically Mr. Harmon had always been known as a democrat, but one whose high standards of citizenship could never condone corruption or inefficiency because it occurred in his own party. He was nominated for the governorship in 1908 and elected by a margin of slightly less than 20,000 over his republican opponent. The republicans carried the state for the presidency by nearly 70,000 in the same election. Only one other democrat on the state ticket was successful. David S. Creamer, who was chosen by a margin of less than 1,500 as treasurer of state. This was a key position, however, as the campaign had been made largely on the necessity of reform in the management of the state's finances.

The mismanagement that had been charged was abundantly proved when access to the records was obtained, and new methods of treasury management were at once installed. The large money balances held by the state, out of which no important returns were being secured, were withdrawn from banks in which they had been deposited on a system of personal and political favoritism and redeposited by fair competition, open to all banks of the state alike. The increase in interest receipts was immediate and phenomenal. The new system has been followed ever since, and the gain to the state is counted in millions. This reform was of course accomplished by Governor Harmon and Treasurer Creamer acting together.

At the expiration of his first term Governor Harmon was reelected by a majority of 103,000, making heavy gains in every section of the state, and among rural and city voters alike. Among the achievements of his governorship, aside from administrative reforms, stand the establishment of the Public Utilities Commission, non-partisan nomination for all judicial offices, the limitation of hours of labor for women, and one of the most successful and popular workmen's compensation laws as yet adopted in any state of the Union. It is safe to say that no governor of Ohio has ever put more business energy and higher standards of official duty and responsibility into the office than did Judson Harmon.

In 1887 Mr. Harmon succeeded George Hoadly in the law firm of Hoadly, Johnson and Colston, the most important law firm in Cincinnati. Thirty-seven years later, with Edward Colston and a son of Governor Hoadly at his side, he is still (January, 1924) vigorously engaged in the practice of his profession at the head of this firm, the official title being Harmon, Colston, Goldsmith and Hoadly. Denison University, his alma mater, gave him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws (LL. D.) in 1891, and the same honor has been bestowed upon him by various other colleges.

On the 10th of June, 1870, Mr. Harmon was married to Miss Olivia Scobey, a daughter of William H. Scobey, Doctor of Medicine, of Hamilton, Ohio. He has three daughters, Mrs. Edmund Wright of Cincinnati, Mrs. George M. Cassatt, living in London when this sketch was written, and Mrs. Alfred C. Cassatt, of Cincinnati. He has always been a home lover, and until the death of Mrs. Harmon a few years ago he was never happier and more contented than when surrounded by his wife, children and grandchildren, either in his Ohio home or in his summer home in Charlevoix, Michigan.

The golf course has had its part in retaining the abundant vitality which is still one of his most noticeable characteristics. A genial friend to all who know him personally, trusted and respected by everybody, Judson Harmon is one of the most popular men in Ohio, as well as one of the state's most eminent citizens.

HON. ROBERT MAUCK SWITZER. For four successive terms representative of the Tenth Ohio District in Congress, Robert Mauck Switzer, a prominent attorney at Gallipolis, has earned his right to rank as one of the most influential leaders in public opinion and public affairs in Ohio.

He was born in Gallia County, March 6, 1863, son of Valentine and Melissa (Mauck) Switzer. The Switzer family was of German stock, and came to America from Switzerland about 225 years ago. There were four brothers who came over, all locating in Pennsylvania. Many of the name have been leaders in affairs. The paternal grandfather of Congressman Switzer was John Switzer, who married a Miss

Judson Harmon

Knapp. His maternal grandparents were Robert and Esther (Ruffner) Mauck. The Maucks, Knapps and Ruffners all came from the Shenandoah Valley of Old Virginia, while the Switzers moved to Ohio from Bath County, Virginia. Valentine Switzer, who was born in 1797 and died in March, 1876, was one of the outstanding men of influence in the rural localities of Gallia County. He was an active farmer, and, being a republican in politics, he had the distinction of being the first member of that party chosen for the office of county commissioner. He was a member of the Methodist Church. His wife, Melissa Mauck, died in June, 1910. By her marriage to Valentine Switzer there were two sons, Robert Mauck and Benjamin M. Benjamin M. is a railway conductor, and married Jessie Eagle, of Gallia County, Ohio. The father of these brothers by a prior marriage had seven children, one of whom, Valentine H. Switzer, served as sheriff of Gallia County in 1888.

Robert Mauck Switzer was educated in district school, and attended Gallipolis Academy and Rio Grande College for five terms. He taught school for four years, taking up the study of law in the meantime. Hon. Samuel Nash helped him with his early studies. He also took summer courses in law at the University of Virginia and the Ohio State University at Columbus. After an examination by the State Board of Examiners he was admitted to practice in December, 1892, and has had about thirty years in which to make himself known to fame as an able lawyer. Throughout this period he has practiced law at Gallipolis. In 1893 he was elected prosecuting attorney, and held that office from 1894 to 1900, being elected two terms. In 1900 he was a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Philadelphia, where McKinley and Roosevelt were nominated. In 1908 he was a member of the electoral college that chose Taft for president. With increasing prominence and recognition as a well qualified leader Mr. Switzer in 1910 was chosen to represent the Tenth Ohio District in the Sixty-second Congress. He served four successive terms, his last term being in the Sixty-fifth Congress, ending in 1919. He was one of Ohio's congressmen during the World war period, and was a member of the House while the late President Harding was in the Senate. Mr. Switzer and Mr. Johnson of Ironton were delegates to the Republican National Convention at Chicago in 1920, and followed their instructions by voting for Mr. Harding consistently until that Ohio man was nominated.

Mr. Switzer married, at Pittsburgh, in December, 1896, Miss Alice Simmons, of Lawrence County, Ohio. Her mother died in 1905. Her father, Charles Simmons, was a farmer and very active in politics, serving as sheriff and treasurer of Lawrence County. He was a member of the Methodist Church. The brothers of Mrs. Switzer were: John H., who served as United States marshal for Southern Ohio, William B., Fletcher, Peter and Edward Simmons. Her sisters are Mrs. Helen Beckett, living, and Martha B. Hanlan, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Switzer have four children: Paul B., a student in the Ohio State University; Robert M., Jr., a graduate of Ohio State University; Roger, also in the State University; and John Edward. Mr. Switzer has been affiliated with the Knights of Pythias for thirty years, and is a member of the Elks and Junior Order United American Mechanics.

JOHN THOMAS HALL, who is city manager of Gallipolis, came to that office with a long and successful experience as a teacher, farmer, public official and business man.

He was born in Walnut Township, Gallia County, Ohio, July 4, 1866. His paternal grandparents were William and Katherine Hall, the Hall family having come out of Old Virginia and settled in Jefferson County, Ohio. William Dixon Hall, his father, was born and favorably known in Gallia County. He was a farmer and school teacher in early life, teaching altogether for sixteen years. For many years he held the office of justice of peace, and during the Civil war was a Union soldier in the One Hundred and Eighty-third Volunteer Infantry. For fifty years he was a steward in the Methodist Episcopal Church. William Dixon Hall, who died in March, 1923, married Mary Jane Fox, who died in 1879. She was a daughter of Ziba and Deborah Fox, of an old New England family that settled in Morgan County, Ohio. William D. Hall and wife have five children: John Thomas; Renda C., deceased wife of John F. Neal, and the mother of three children, Bertha, Marcus and Ruth; Ella M., who is the wife of Harry M. Gates, of Tuscola, Illinois, and has two children, Elmer Dixon, who married Lucinda Queen and has three children; Anna Bell, deceased wife of Capt. H. E. Houck, and the mother of three children.

John Thomas Hall was educated in the district school and finished his education in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, where he graduated Bachelor of Science and completed the commercial course in August, 1890. For twenty years Mr. Hall was a teacher in rural schools. He also became identified with farming, and for nine years lived on and operated his own farm. Upon being elected tax commissioner of Gallia County he moved to Gallipolis in 1915, and after one year in the office of tax commissioner, served four years as deputy auditor under Arthur Miller. For two years he was superintendent of highway construction in the county, resigning that office to become city manager of Gallipolis in 1922. His work as city manager has been such as to justify in the minds of the citizens the value of that method of administering the municipal government instead of the older system which it succeeded.

Mr. Hall married, on Christmas Day, 1892, Miss Lovina May McDaniel. She died in 1896. Her parents were Wesley and Mary McDaniel. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel now living are Cora Mabel, Jessie Alma, Clarence Elmer and Elta G. On October 24, 1898, Mr. Hall married Miss Cora Davis, daughter of Samuel and Alice (Rolston) Davis. Her father is a farmer and carpenter. Besides Mrs. Hall there are four other children: Floyd, Heber, Ora and Emery. Heber was a soldier in the World war. Mr. and Mrs. Hall have three children, Leola M., Marjorie O. and Matilda. Mr. Hall is a member of the Methodist Church, and is affiliated with the Junior Order United American Mechanics.

JOHN H. MATTHEWS, attorney at law at Gallipolis, Ohio, has been a teacher, a high school principal, and superintendent of village and county schools, though in the interval he has continued his higher education and has qualified for the law and is enrolled among the active attorneys at the bar at Gallipolis.

Mr. Matthews was born at Vinton, Gallia County, November 19, 1890, son of S. H. and Mary (Cardwell) Matthews. His grandparents were John A. and Lydia Matthews. The Matthews family came to Ohio from Greenbrier County in what is now West Virginia. John A. Matthews was a Union soldier in the Thirty-sixth Ohio Infantry, and for many years acted in the Grand Army of the Republic. The Matthews is an English and Irish family. The Cardwells were English. The parents of Mary Cardwell were Thomas J. and Elizabeth Cardwell. Mary Cardwell was first married to Alexander Matthews. The only child of this marriage, Cora, became the wife of

Clyde Eagle, and they have two children, Helen and Robert. After the death of Alexander Matthews his widow married his younger brother, S. H. Matthews. S. H. Matthews was a carpenter in early life, and is now in the produce, flour and feed business at Vinton. He has been active in public affairs, held most of the local township offices, and served two terms as director of the county infirmary, 1905 to 1910. He is a Baptist and Knight of Pythias. His wife, Mary (Cardwell) Matthews, died December 31, 1918, the mother of seven children: Cora, previously mentioned; Roma, who died when ten years old; John H.; Arthur C., who died at the age of sixteen months; Sheldon, who married Fern Braley, and had one child, Maurice, but both Sheldon and Fern Matthews died within four days of each other; Marshall C., who is a traveling salesman for the Meigs Wholesale Grocery Company of Middleport; and Donald, employed by the Boatman Motor Sales Company of Middleport.

John Matthews was educated in the public schools of Vinton, attended high school at Rio Grande, and began teaching in 1908. His college training was received in the Rio Grande College, where he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1917. While teaching he pursued the study of law with Judge Mauck of Gallipolis as his preceptor. Judge Mauck is now on the bench of the Court of Appeals. Mr. Matthews was admitted to the bar in 1920, and in 1922 was admitted to practice in the Federal Court.

Mr. Matthews married at Bidwell, Ohio, September 2, 1914, Miss Lulu Grover, daughter of A. M. and Elizabeth Grover. The other children of her parents are: Raymond, who married Hazel Hartsook and has a daughter, Elizabeth; Irene, wife of E. D. Keeler, and mother of two children, named Edward and Mariana; Frances, who is teaching school at Gallipolis; Mary, who has two children, Kathryn Annetta and Frances Pauline, by her marriage to Homer Matthews. Mrs. Matthews' father has been a farmer, stock man and breeder, and is now associated in that business with his son Raymond at Bidwell. He is one of the influential members of the Christian Church and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthews have one daughter, Dorothy. He is a member of the Masonic lodge, the Knights of Pythias and Junior Order United American Mechanics. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews are both members of the Eastern Star.

Harry Royal Hurn, present postmaster at Gallipolis, has been identified with the printing and newspaper business in his home town for more than twenty-five years. For a number of years prior to his appointment as postmaster he was manager and editor of the Gallia Times, the most influential republican paper in Gallia County.

Mr. Hurn was born at Gallipolis, December 7, 1878, son of M. S. and Flora E. Hurn, the latter still living. He, through his paternal ancestors, is a descendant of the early French families who settled Gallipolis in 1790. His father was a furniture manufacturer, and was long connected with the Gallipolis Furniture Company. He was interested in local affairs, particularly education, and served on the Gallipolis board of education for twelve years. He was a member of the Masonic order and of the Methodist Church.

Harry R. Hurn was graduated from the Gallipolis High School in 1895, and at once became connected with the Gallipolis Tribune, spending six years with that newspaper. For two years following he was employed on the Gallipolis Journal, and then bought an interest in the Times and became its editor and manager. Later he was identified with the incorporation of the Gallipolis Printing Company, which bought the Journal, the Bulletin and the Vinton Leader, and all three of these newspapers were merged with the Times.

During the war he was active in numerous campaigns, was an official in the Red Cross, and was appointed postmaster by President Coolidge on December 19, 1923. He is a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the official board of the Methodist Church, the Community Club and other local organizations.

Mr. Hurn married at Gallipolis on August 24, 1901, Miss Edna Bumgardner, and she has been active in newspaper work during all their married life, being at present manager of their newspaper, the Times.

Charles T. Robinson. For forty years the name Robinson has been identified with the insurance business at Galloplis. Charles T. Robinson is manager of a business established and built up by his father, and both belong to the progressive business and civic elements in Gallia County.

John Titus Robinson is a son of Samuel L. Robinson, who was a son of Kinsley Robinson, who came to Gallia County from Columbiana County about 1820. John T. Robinson, the founder of the business, was born in 1864. His mother, Mary Titus, was a member of the pioneer Ohio Titus family that came from New England about the same time. John T. Robinson at the age of eighteen, as soon as he had completed his public school education, engaged in the insurance business, and has followed it all his life. He was appointed deputy tax commissioner by Governor Cox, serving throughout the Cox term. As special agent for the Ohio Farmers' Fire Insurance Company he handles all adjustments for that company in Southeastern Ohio. His business, which was established forty years ago, is now known as J. T. Robinson & Son. They do a general insurance business, handling fire, life, liability, automobile, indemnity and other forms of insurance. John Titus Robinson married, April 7, 1889, Miss Mary Thompson, who is a daughter of Henry and Harriett (Russell) Thompson. Henry Thompson was a son of Peirce and Elizabeth (Beason) Thompson, who came to Meigs County in 1830 from Eastern Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. John T. Robinson had seven children: Charles T.; Herber L., unmarried; Helen L., twin sister of Herber, is the wife of George Russell and has a son, George Herber; Murl, single; Mott and Max, twins, who died in infancy, and John Titus, who was in his second year at Ohio University and was killed, electrocuted by a live wire at Gallipolis September 6, 1923.

Charles T. Robinson was educated in the Bidwell High School and Rio Grande College, and finished his academic course in Ohio University at Athens. He graduated at the age of twenty, and followed this with a commercial course in the Portsmouth Business College. Since completing his education, with the exception of the period of the World war, he has been identified with his father in the insurance business, of which he is now manager.

During the World war he enlisted December 12, 1917, in the air service, was commissioned a lieutenant, and after attending the ground school at Ohio State University, was sent to Love Field in Texas, and finally to Selfridge Field, Mount Clemens, Michigan. He graduated in flying, but did not get overseas. His discharge came December 12, 1918, and soon afterward he resumed his duties at Gallipolis. He is a member of the State Insurance Agency Association.

His father is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, an Odd Fellow and an Elk, and Charles T. Robinson has a Knight Templar Masonic affiliation, and a membership in the order

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of Elks. He is a Methodist. He married at Gallipolis, July 21, 1921, Miss Clyone Fee, daughter of the late Aaron Lewis and Hannah (Copeland) Fee. Her mother is living. Her father died December 24, 1915, and his children were: Ollie, unmarried; Cora, who married Stanley Flanning and at her death left one child; Lorena J., mother of seven children by her marriage to Warren Miller; Anna, deceased wife of Norman L. Gibson; Mrs. Robinson; and Charles L., who died October 18, 1923.

CHARLES R. NIDAY is a member of a family that has been in Southern Ohio for over a century. He is a veterinary surgeon by profession, and also operates a prosperous sales and service automobile station at Gallipolis.

He was born in Gallia County, August 19, 1874, son of Chapman J. and Marie J. (Northrup) Niday. The Nidays came from old Virginia to Ohio in 1803, and the Northrups came from New York. His grandfather was Lewis Niday. His maternal grandparents were Ansel and Levina Northrup. Charles R. Niday is the only child of his parents. His mother is living. His father, who died January 12, 1919, was a farmer, was a republican voter and a member of the Methodist Church.

Charles R. Niday was reared on a farm, attended grammar and high schools, and at the age of seventeen left school to go to work as clerk in a clothing store. After two years he became a traveling salesman, and at the age of twenty was selling goods for a wholesale shoe house in Cincinnati. He was on the road three and one-half years, and later entered the Veterinary Medical College of Cincinnati, where he was graduated in 1912. Since that year he has practiced his profession at Gallipolis, has been the leading veterinarian of this locality, and still does considerable business in this line. He is now engaged in the auto supply, gas, oil and grease business at Gallipolis. He has a gasoline storage tank of 54,000 gallons capacity.

Mr. Niday has been active in politics and in good government affairs for several years. He was a member of the city council, and was the first elected chairman of the board under the commission form of government. He held this office four years. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and Elks, and is a member of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Niday married at Gallipolis, February 6, 1898, Miss Maud E. Canaday, one of the two children of James C. and Jennie (Cooper) Canaday. Her brother, Frank E., married Ella Green, and they have one child, Fay. Mrs. Niday's father, who died in 1923, was in the laundry business for many years, and had the first and only real laundry in Gallipolis. He was an active member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics. Mr. Niday has one son, Verne C. Mr. Niday was in the Medical Corps in the World war, stationed at Camp Lee, and his corps was ordered overseas, but just when ready to sail the orders were rescinded. Mr. Niday is now a commissioned officer in the Officers' Reserve Corps. His son, Verne C., is also an officer in the Quartermaster's Department of the Reserve Corps.

HOMER J. WARD has for many years been a successful figure in business affairs at Gallipolis. He is proprietor of a very extensive general insurance agency, does a large real estate business, and was educated for the law, though he has practiced only in his own interests.

Mr. Ward was born in Gallia County, April 24, 1876, son of Benjamin Franklin and Susan (Hanger) Ward. The Wards were Colonial settlers in old Virginia, moving from there to Pennsylvania, and from Pennsylvania to Ohio. His grandparents were Jacob and Nancy Ward. Mr. Ward's maternal grandfather, David Hanger, was one of the old time abolitionists in Gallia County. He helped many colored families to reach freedom after crossing the border from the slave state. He was a very staunch Presbyterian, and adhered strictly to the truth in word and deed. He was driving a wagon carrying some refugee slaves, and when stopped and questioned as to what he had, he replied "fresh meat." A boy under the cover in his wagon had the whooping cough, but fortunately restrained his coughing during the presence of the stranger.

The mother of Homer J. Ward died in 1904. The father, who died in 1918, was a farmer and stock man, and a stock dealer, was a very prominent man in the republican party in his county, being frequently a delegate to conventions and a member of the county republican committee. The children of the parents were: D. Grant, who married Flossie McCann; Edwin, who died in infancy; James E., who married Birdie Quickle and had two children; Dale L., who married Goldia Ledle; Pluma E., deceased, wife of Thomas McClaskey; Mrs. Susan Lushler, who had two children, named Charles W. and Susan Eleanor; Floyd, who married Lula Cherrington; Nora, who became the wife of C. R. Phillips, and had two children, named Ward and Clarence; Charles V., who married Golda Jarvis; Everett H., unmarried.

Homer J. Ward was reared on his father's farm in Gallia County, attended the district schools, Ewington Academy, the Rio Grande College, Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1897, and also took the law course at Ada, completing it in 1904. Mr. Ward taught school altogether for ten years, chiefly in the graded schools. In 1906 he engaged in the insurance and real estate business, purchasing an old established firm. He has a general insurance agency, handling fire, liability, health, indemnity, automobile, accident, and also a well organized real estate department.

On October 6, 1908, on Kelley's Island in Lake Erie, he married Miss Jennie Kastning, daughter of William and Sophia Kastning. Her parents were married in Germany, came to America on their wedding trip, and after a brief stay in Cleveland, moved to Kelley's Island, near Sandusky. William Kastning was a farmer, and one of the prominent grape growers on Kelley's Island, and was also identified with one of the chief industries of the island, lime production. In the Kastning family were a large number of children: Anna, who married Otto W. Brown, a large vineyardist on Kelley's Island; Emma, who married Henry Roswurm; Mary, who married F. A. Huntington; Martha, who married Hugh Cattanach; Lydia, who married Henry Gerlach, now deceased; Kate, deceased wife of Ralph Dwelle; William F., who married Jennie Titus; and Henry, a resident of Govan, Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward have two children, Howard James, attending high school, and Paul Willis. Mr. Ward is a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the Junior Order United American Mechanics and with the Masonic order.

JOHN MILLIKIN, whose home was in Butler County, during the greater part of his life, possessed sterling business qualifications, was a citizen of the highest moral character, and many of his descendants still live in and around Hamilton.

A son of Samuel and Mary (Hunter) Millikin, he was born October 24, 1826, while his father was serving as sheriff of Butler County. During his youth he attended schools at Hamilton, and clerked in his

brother's general store until he married Miss Mary Catherine Snively, daughter of Samuel and Adeline (Leigh) Snively.

After their marriage they took up their home on Grand Prairie of Indiana and Illinois, near the state line, in Vermilion County, Indiana. At Montezuma, Indiana, he engaged in farming and conducted a general store. When the Civil war came on he contracted with the United States Government to supply corn and hay to the armies, and during the course of the war, after seventeen years residence in Indiana, returned to Hamilton, Ohio, and engaged in the milling business, manufacturing flour. Owing to the fluctuation of prices at the close of the war he lost heavily, gave up the business, and accepted appointment from Andrew Johnson, who became president after the death of Lincoln, as collector of customs at Galveston, Texas.

After this service in the South he returned to Hamilton and became identified with the Long-Allstater farm, remaining with that organization twenty-two years as sales manager and superintendent of agencies. He died September 28, 1892. He was always a staunch republican in politics. John Millikin and wife had eight children.

Personally he was one of nature's noblemen, congenial, warm hearted, adorable in his family relations, a life time slave to the welfare of his family, and absolutely temperate in all things.

Samuel Hunter Millikin, who has achieved distinction both in the field of business and in his profession as a dentist, was born in Indiana, but he represents the old and honored family of Millikins in Butler County. One of the very first settlers of Butler County was Daniel Millikin, a pioneer physician who came to Hamilton in 1807 and not only gained distinction during his life but founded a family containing many prominent men in this section of the state.

Dr. Samuel Hunter Millikin was born in Vermilion County, Indiana, January 9, 1853, son of John and Mary Millikin. When he was ten years of age his parents returnd to Southern Ohio and settled at Hamilton. Here he acquired a public school education. However, he began his career, so far as paying his own way was concerned, when little more than a boy. For a time he worked in a photograph gallery, and then served a complete apprenticeship and worked as a journeyman in a carriage factory, putting in eight years in that business. In all this time his ambition was for a professional career, and he was persistent in pursuing his aim in spite of the necessity of other work to secure a livelihood. He finally invested his savings in a course in the Ohio Dental College of Cincinnati, where he graduated.

After practicing for a time Doctor Millikin accepted the opportunity to purchase in 1889 the carpet, wall paper and bric-a-brac business of George W. Hughes at Hamilton. This is an old established business, and under Doctor Millikin's energetic direction it became one of the largest enterprises of the kind in Butler County and in Southern Ohio. He continued it with remarkable success for over ten years, and then resumed the practice of dentistry. Since then he has devoted all his time to his profession, and is one of the ablest representatives of dental surgery in the state. He is a member of the Ohio Dental Society.

In 1886 Doctor Millikin married Miss Mary Schelley. She died in 1896, leaving two sons, Arnold Schelley and Eugene Donald. Eugene is now a practicing attorney at Denver, Colorado. Arnold S. is manager of the Jager Manufacturing Company's plant at Columbus, Ohio. Doctor Millikin is a member of the Presbyterian Church, belongs to the City Chamber of Commerce, and for many years has impressed his influence for good in his community.

Arthur Miller, member of the road contracting firm of Miller Brothers at Gallipolis, and also in the real estate and insurance business, was for many years an educator, and is well known for his capable work in the schools of Gallia and adjoining counties.

Mr. Miller was born at Vesuvius Furnace in Lawrence County, Ohio, March 5, 1875, son of Daniel J. and Elizabeth (Freye) Miller, and grandson of Frederick and Louise Miller, and John and Katherine Freye. Frederick Miller came from Germany when about seven years of age, his parents settling in Lawrence County among the pioneers. Daniel J. Miller, who died June 10, 1910, became well known in several sections of Southern Ohio. He was a Union soldier at the time of the Civil war, serving with the One Hundred Sixth Ohio Regiment, and was once captured. After the war he became a contractor in the operation of iron furnaces, and he also served his county as a county commissioner. He was active in the republican party. His wife, Elizabeth Freye, died September 9, 1922. Their children were: Arthur; John, who married Retta Thierry, and they have two children, Ella Gertrude and Mary Katherine; William, who married Cora Howard and whose three children are Mary, Joseph and Billie; Lewis, who married Mame Drummond and have one daughter, Ruth; and Jacob, who married Parney Wickline, and have a daughter, Opal.

Arthur Miller was educated in the public schools of Gallia County, attending high school at Willamsburg, and continued his education in Rio Grande College and Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, where he finished both the academic and commercial courses. He began teaching while attending high school at Williamsburg, and continued his own education in the intervals of teaching. His service as an educator covered a period of eighteen years, most of the time in grade schools.

Mr. Miller in 1914 was elected county auditor of Gallia County, and filled that office for two terms, including the period of the World war. During the war he was also head of the county food administration, and set a high standard in the conduct of his duties in that capacity. Since leaving the office of county auditor he has been associated with his brothers in the firm of Miller Brothers, contractors and road constructors. He is also head of the firm Miller & Walker in the real estate and insurance business.

Mr. Miller married in December, 1897, at Gallipolis, Miss Amelia Miller, of the same family name but not related. Her parents, John and Rachael (Grube) Miller, had nine children, named John, Henry, Fred, George, August, Lena, Sophia, Kate and Amelia. Mr. and Mrs. Miller's three children are Hugh W., who married Hallie Martin and has a son, Daniel M.; Harry M. and Katherine M. Mr. Miller is a Methodist and his wife a Lutheran, and his fraternal affiliations are with the Masonic lodge and Elks.

Charles F. Swanson, who for the past ten years has been one of the leading men in mercantile affairs at Gallipolis, is a native of Ohio, and represents a family that was among the early settlers of Ohio, the Swansons having established a home at Cheshire in Gallia County during Civil war days. These Ohio Swansons are among the descendants of a Colonial American who came from Sweden about the year 1635. Some of these descendants lived in New Jersey and in and around Philadelphia, and one branch went to Virginia. There has been about four or five generations of this family in Virginia, the most prominent member at this time being United States Senator

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Swanson of Virginia. It was from Virginia that one branch of the Swansons came to Ohio.

Charles F. Swanson's grandparents were Silas and Augusta Swanson, and his father was Frank F. Swanson, who died in 1922. He spent his active life in the marble and granite business, and for some time was in business in Huntington, West Virginia. He also held some local offices and attended the Methodist Episcopal Church. Frank F. Swanson married Rachel A. Given, who died in 1911. Her father was Joseph Given, and this family came from New England. Frank F. Swanson and wife had three children: Charles F., who was born at Cheshire in Gallia County, Ohio, May 4, 1874; Harry; and Myrtie, who is the wife of J. A. Jones and has two children.

Charles F. Swanson acquired his early education in the public schools at Gallipolis, attending high school, but before graduating left to become an employe in the hardware store of the J. M. Kerr Company. He was with that firm for about twenty years. Then, in 1914, he engaged in business for himself as a hardware merchant at Gallipolis, and has one of the best stores in this section of Ohio in point of system and appearance, and also in volume of business. Mr. Swanson, while not in politics, is thoroughly interested in the affairs of his community. He is a Methodist, a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and Junior Order United American Mechanics.

He married in March, 1900, at Gallipolis, Miss Laura Morton, daughter of Samuel and Clara (Douglas) Morton, both now deceased. Her father was for many years in business at Middleport, operating planing mills, lumber yards, and also a river dock. He was an Odd Fellow and a Methodist. Mrs. Swanson is one of a family of two sons and four daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Swanson have one child, Miss Edith, now attending school at Gallipolis.

Albert G. Witte has for many years been one of the prominent citizens of Ottawa County. His home is at Elmore, and for several years past he has been extensively engaged in the road contracting business, building many miles of highway over Northern Ohio. For nine years he held the office of postmaster at Elmore, during the Wilson administration and into the Harding administration. Through civil service rules his son Carl is the present postmaster, and also a partner of his father in the firm of A. G. Witte and son.

Albert G. Witte was born on a farm four miles east of Elmore, October 17, 1861, son of Charles and Fredericka (Franch) Witte. His parents were natives of Germany, came to the United States when young people, were married here and became farmers in Northwestern Ohio. Charles Witte devoted his years to farming until late in life, when he moved to Toledo and retired, spending the last ten years of his life there. He was a successful farmer and stock raiser, and in politics voted the republican ticket until after the Tilden-Hayes campaign of 1876. He was a devout member of the German Reformed Church, St. John's at Elmore, and all his children received their early advantages in St. John's parochial schools, learning to read and write German as well as English.

Albert G. Witte had further educational advantages in the high school at Elmore, and also attended school at Toledo. His years to the age of twenty-three were identified with the farm and its interests. He bought a butchers shop in connection with the retail meat business, and became a shipper of livestock to the Cleveland, Buffalo and Chicago markets. He was president of the National Shippers Company, and one winter bought through that organization 180 carloads of live stock in Chicago, and shipped to the Cleveland market. Mr. Witte was active in the business of buying and shipping livestock for many years. Then came his appointment to the position of postmaster, and since retiring from that office he has given his attention to contracting. He started the contracting business in a very small way by taking a contract to pave a short street in his home town. Since then he has constructed the highway between Elmore and Toledo, and a portion of the Sandusky and Columbus roads.

Mr. Witte has been active in the democratic party. He served four years on the Elmore Town Council, was a member of the commission and had charge of the building of the Ottawa County Courthouse. He has always been a Lutheran in religious matters.

Mr. Witte married Evylin Pratt, daughter of Kellogg and Caroline Pratt. Mrs. Witte died August 23, 1918, and of her four children a son, Jack, died at the age of four years. Mrs. Witte was a member of the Methodist Church. The three living children are: Bertha, wife of Edwin Damschroeder, a clothing merchant of Toledo; Florence, wife of John Dromgold, of Elmore; and Carl. Carl Witte is Elmore's present postmaster. He was educated in the public schools and in the Missouri State Normal School at Kirksville.

Leroy L. Belt, M. D. A prominent younger member of the medical profession in Ottawa County, Doctor Belt was an American surgeon in France during the war. He comes of a family of professional men, his father being one of the practicing physicians in that state today, and others have made names for themselves in other professions.

Leroy L. Belt was born at Kenton, Ohio, May 27, 1892. His father is Dr. William A. Belt, now sixty-two years of age. His grandfather, Rev. Leroy A. Belt, D. D., was a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, held the degree Doctor of Divinity, and filled many pastorates in the Methodist Church over Ohio, being presiding elder of the Delaware and Toledo districts. There have been eighteen members of the Belt family who have received degrees from Ohio Wesleyan University. William A. Belt, Jr., a brother of Dr. Leroy L. Belt, has recently finished his senior year there and is preparing for the medical profession.

Dr. William A. Belt, graduated in 1884 from the Cincinnati Medical College, and for forty years has been active in his profession at Kenton. He was born at Wapakoneta, Ohio, and is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University. Dr. William A. Belt is one of the best known members of the Masonic order in Ohio. He has served as grand master of the Ohio Grand Lodge, as presiding officer of the state council, and at Boston was awarded the supreme honor of the thirty-third degree in Scottish Rite Masonry. He was a member of the building committee of the Ohio Masonic Hospital at Springfield, and he served on the commission representing Ohio at the Omaha exposition, being appointed by Governor Bushnell. Dr. William A. Belt is an active republican, he married Alba Webster.

Leroy L. Belt graduated from the Kenton High School at the age of seventeen, took his Doctor of Science degree at Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and in 1916 graduated as a Doctor of Medicine from Western Reserve Medical College of Cleveland. During his senior year he had quite an assignment of work in St. Clair Hospital. He served one year as an interne at the Babies Hospital, and had one year in the Harper Hospital at Detroit. In June, 1917, he was commissioned as first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps and went with the Harper Hospital Unit over to France, having been stationed at the Harper Base Hospital at Digon, France. He was

promoted to captain while in France, and was in the service twenty-two months.

Following his return to this country he was again at Harper Hospital for a few months, and then became associated with his father in practice at Kenton, continuing until January, 1922, when he came to Ottawa County in charge of the Kelley Island Line and Transportation Company's Hospital at Marblehead.

Doctor Belt married Miss Frances Jordan, who is a graduate nurse of Harper Hospital at Detroit and saw service overseas as a nurse with the Harper Hospital Unit. Doctor and Mrs. Belt have two children, Leroy, Jr., and Mary Katherine. Doctor Belt is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at Kenton, the Sandusky Commandery, Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations. While a student in Ohio Wesleyan University he was prominent in athletics, being a member of the baseball and track teams.

ERNEST HURST CHERRINGTON. Becoming sincerely attached to the cause of temperance when a youth, his developing career as a newspaper man soon brought Ernest Hurst Cherrington the publicity work of the cause, and for many years he has been one of the best known anti-saloon league workers in America. He is a native Ohioan, and is now an official member of the capital of the temperance forces in the United States, Westerville, Ohio.

Mr. Cherrington was born at Hamden, in Vinton County, in Southern Ohio, November 24, 1877, son of Rev. George and Elizabeth Ophelia (Paine) Cherrington. His father was a Methodist minister. Mr. Cherrington received his early school advantages in the communities where his father was a pastor, and subsequently he taught school to defray his expenses while attending Ohio Wesleyan University from 1893 to 1897. Besides teaching he did some editorial work for Ohio newspapers. Mr. Cherrington did not graduate from Ohio Wesleyan, but a number of years later in 1921 in recognition of his achievements and work, Ohio Wesleyan bestowed upon him the honorary degree Bachelor of Laws and in 1922 Otterbein College honored him with the degree Doctor of Letters.

During 1900-01 Mr. Cherrington was editor of the Kingston Tribune in Ohio, and left that post to enter the regular work of the Ohio Anti-Saloon League as superintendent of the Canton District in 1902. During 1903-04 he was state assistant superintendent of the Ohio League, and then went West and became associate editor of the Pacific Issue at Seattle in 1905, and was state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Washington in 1906-07 and during the same period was editor of the Citizen of Seattle.

Up to that time the printing and publishing of periodicals and supplies for the Anti-Saloon Leagues had been uncoordinated and each state league handled this branch of its business by contract with commercial printing houses in various cities. In the interest of economy and to standardize the publications and publicity of the league, it was decided to establish a national printing plant. Westerville, Ohio, was chosen for the site of the new national printing house, and there has been developed during the past fifteen years one of the model printing industries of the country, with mechanical facilities that rival those of some of the large magazine and other printing plants of the country. Mr. Cherrington was chosen associate editor of the American Issue, which was to be the official organ of the Anti-Saloon League. The editor at that time was Dr. J. C. Jackson, of Columbus, Ohio, the venerable and beloved leader of the Ohio forces. Soon after the inauguration of the plans for a national printing plant Doctor Jackson died, and thereupon Mr. Cherrington was appointed editor of the American Issue and also became general manager of the department of publishing interests of the Anti-Saloon League of America. As general manager he was responsible for the policies and progress of the printing plant.

Other editorial duties included his service as editor for the American Patriot in 1912-16, and during 1915-16 he was editor of the National Daily at Westerville, and from 1916 to 1919 he was managing director of the Richmond Virginian, a daily newspaper. Since 1908 he has been editor of the Anti-Saloon League Year Book, and has been a contributor to many periodicals and magazines. He is author of a number of books and pamphlets on temperance reform, including the history of the Anti-Saloon League, the Evolution of Prohibition in the United States of America, America and the World Liquor Problem, and is editor of the Standard Encyclopedia of the Alcohol Problem, now in process of publication.

For a number of years Mr. Cherrington has been secretary of the national committee of the Anti-Saloon League, is a general manager of the American Issue Publishing Company, is president of the Scientific Temperance Federation, is secretary of the National Temperance Council, is director and chairman of the executive committee of the Inter-collegiate Prohibition Association, and general secretary of the World League Against Alcoholism.

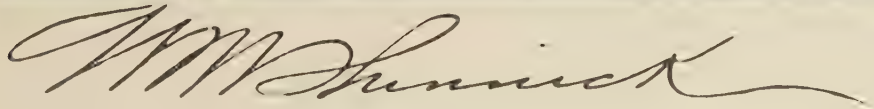
Both at home and abroad his service has been of distinctive character as a leader in temperance forces. He was appointed delegate on the part of the United States Government to the Thirteenth International Congress against Alcoholism at The Hague in 1911, at the Fourteenth International Congress at Milan in 1913, served as secretary of the Fifteenth International Congress at Washington in 1920, and was appointed a delegate to the Sixteenth International Congress held at Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1921, and to the Seventeenth International Congress, held at Copenhagen in 1923.

Mr. Cherrington is one of the prominent Methodist laymen of Ohio. He was a lay delegate from the Ohio Conference to the General Conferences in 1916 again in 1920, and again in 1924. He is a member of the General Conference Commission on Unification, having been elected a member of the executive committee of the Methodist Episcopal Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, 1920-24, and was chairman of the Cincinnati Area of the Methodist Centenary in 1919. During 1920-24 he was a member of the executive committee of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Doctor Cherrington is a member of the College fraternity Phi Delta Theta, and holds the supreme honorary thirty-third degree in Scottish Rite Masonry. On March 17, 1903, he married Betty Clifford Denny, of Greenville, Illinois. They have two children, Ernest and Anne Elizabeth.

WILLIAM MILLIS SHINNICK was born in Zanesville, Ohio, December 21, 1846, and was a resident of that city until his death, May 30, 1923. He was the son of George L. and Mary Millis Shinnick, who came from the East, were married in 1843, and lived the remainder of their lives in Zanesville, Ohio. Of ten children William M. was third in order of birth. He attended the public schools of Zanesville, and at an unusually early age, even in those days, assumed business responsibilities in his father's cordage factory, of which he became the successful manager.

During the whole of his efficient and successful business life he was intensely interested and active in the welfare of Zanesville and its people; his sound judgment, service, and financial help contributing very largely to the upbuilding of that city. Though



always a man of decided and outspoken opinion, his invariably sensible and fair attitude toward others ever secured for him in remarkable degree the respect and cooperation of the many political, religious, civic and business interests and organizations, incidental to the growth and advancement of a modern community.

In his early life he served in various positions of trust, first as secretary of the city water works. In 1878 he was elected to the board of education, serving in the several positions of president, treasurer and clerk of the board. He continued a member for thirty-one years. From 1881 to 1886 he served as city clerk, then as assistant postmaster for three years. In 1889 he was again elected city clerk, and held that position until 1895, when he resigned and turned his attention to the manufacture of tile. In 1894 the Mosaic Tile Company was organized, with W. M. Shinnick as general manager, secretary and treasurer. This business has enjoyed a remarkably steady and uniform growth under the able, conscientious direction of Mr. Shinnick, until it has become one of the greatest of its kind in the world. The corporation is regarded as unique in its practical freedom from labor troubles; and the fact that it has never borrowed money by stock selling or otherwise to finance its immense expansion, such requirements having always been met by the proceeds of the business.

Mr. Shinnick himself attributed much of his success to his keeping his appointments "on time." In his own words, "I have no right to waste another's time any more than he has mine." For years he was first at the factory—"If I am not interested enough to be there, why should the others be?" He was one of, as well as one among, men, easily approached, always ready to listen and approve or disapprove of the questions brought before him. In his dealings with his employes he depended upon his remarkable memory, never having a written contract. It was his oft expressed belief that if after a complete understanding a man was dissatisfied or thought he could do better, the organization was better without that man.

At the time of his death Mr. Shinnick was president, treasurer, general manager and majority stockholder of the Mosaic Tile Company. In the death of Mr. Shinnick every walk of life in the city of Zanesville sustained a great loss. His keen judgment and knowledge of affairs made his advice desirable and inevitable, he being vice president of the First Trust and Savings Bank, and a director in the First National Bank.

Turning now to his work in philanthropy and charity, it is but just to speak in far greater praise than he would have sanctioned during life. Always a willing and generous contributor to the church and all worthy charitable causes, he in 1917, his business partner and lifelong friend, W. M. Bateman, doing the same, pledged $25,000 as a nucleus of the fund for a new Young Men's Christian Association for Zanesville. There were no conditions attached, except that Mr. Shinnick stipulated that of the entire amount raised, $10,000 should go toward the establishment of a Young Women's Christian Association.

He also contributed liberally to both of these institutions later, and his entire fortune, the largest benefaction ever left to Zanesville, was left in a foundation for the perpetual benefit of the Bethesda Hospital, the Day Nursery, the Helen Purcell Home, the Zanesville Welfare Association, and the establishment and maintenance of a fund for the education of worthy young people of Zanesville, this latter bequest to be called the William M. Shinnick Educational Fund. This fund is to be the ultimate beneficiary in the event of the dissolution of any or all the others. Following the death of Mr. Shinnick's widow and his relatives the entire income of this foundation will go to the philanthropies named.

Mr. Shinnick's business associates and friends said of him: "He was a friend to all his fellowmen, and his charities were distributed without ostentation or display, without any desire on his part that his benefactions be made known, many cases of distress being relieved and many young men being helped over rough roads when their need was the greatest."

Mr. Shinnick was long an official member of the Central Presbyterian Church, and was at the time of his death a member of the board of trustees. He was a thirty-second degree Mason, also affiliated with many other fraternal orders.

On January 5, 1888, Mr. Shinnick was united in marriage with Alice Ebert, daughter of Elias Ebert, of Zanesville, Ohio, who died in 1908. In 1910 he was united in marriage with Dr. Anna M. Hill, of Zanesville.

"William M. Shinnick lived a life of devotion to his God, his country, his family, his friends and his business, and his memory will ever live; loved, honored and revered by all. He was REAL—'What greater honor hath any man?'"

AMERICAN ISSUE PUBLISHING COMPANY. Westerville as the headquarters of the Anti-Saloon League Forces of America became in 1909 the home of the National Printing and Publication Department of the league. The American Issue Publishing Company is under the direction of the Department of Publishing Interests of the Anti-Saloon League of America. It is the largest reform publishing house in the world, producing nothing but temperance and prohibition literature and supplies.

The printing plant and office altogether employ on the average of 125 people. The output includes books, pamphlets, posters, advertising material of many kinds, newspapers and periodicals. About 14,000,000 copies of the American Issue are printed annually. This includes the various state editions of the paper, which is the official organ of the Anti-Saloon League, and also includes the large number of subscriptions which are mailed to sixty-six other countries of the world. Approximately 245,000,000 copies of books, pamphlets, leaflets, etc., were printed from October 1, 1909, to January 1, 1924.

Probably no town of its size in the United States contains so much genuine distinction based upon wholesome activities as Westerville. It is the smallest town in the United States possessing a first class postoffice. This is due to the fact that the American Issue Publishing Company has placed as much as eleven tons of mail matter on the trains out of Westerville in a single day.

LAWRENCE SATTERFIELD. One of the prominent industries of Port Clinton is the Gypsum Canning Company, which operates a large canning plant there and also has plants at Bellevue, Ohio, and Cherry Home, Michigan. The product of these plants is sold through all parts of the United States, the annual pack of vegetables and fruits representing the highest grade of material in the canners' art. Some years ago the owners of the Gypsum Canning Company sent a representative to Maryland, the home of the first commercial canning company in America, to find an expert in the management of such a property, and the man they selected was Lawrence Satterfield, who for a number of years had been identified with commercial canning in Maryland. The president of the Gypsum Canning Company is Henry Haserot, of Cleveland, the secretary is George Winger, and the treasurer, F. H. Haserot, while Mr. Satterfield has the general management of the business.

The cannery at Port Clinton was originally built and established by a group of local people, but in 1908 it was taken over by the group of Cleveland men mentioned above. Since then the company has acquired a half interest in the Hefner and Pickett

cherry orchard, and subsequently took over the remainder of this property. The company cans the entire output of a block of 190 acres of red sour cherries. At Cherry Home, Michigan, the company has a complete little town of its own, owning 560 acres of land, 200 acres in cherries. The company also packed a large amount of tomatoes and peaches, handling the crop from about 350 acres of tomatoes annually. Some of the largest wholesale houses in the country handle and distribute this product, including Sprague Warner and Company.

Mr. Satterfield was born at Greensboro, Caroline County, Maryland, October 3, 1866, son of William C. and Phoebe J. (Allen) Satterfield, the former a native of Delaware and the latter of Maryland. William C. Satterfield served as a Confederate soldier with a Maryland regiment, and for two years of the war was confined as a prisoner at Fort Delaware. He was in the saw mill industry and also a merchant, and acquired extensive tracts of land in Dorchester County, Delaware, Caroline and Queen Ann counties, Maryland, and he died land poor. He operated three saw mills, and also maintained a line of boats in traffic between Greensboro and Baltimore. He was a member of the Episcopal Church and was a democrat.

William C. Satterfield died in 1896, at the age of seventy-six, and his widow survived him until 1917, passing away at the age of eighty-seven. They were the parents of two sons and three daughters. The other son is Calvin, who was educated for the law, is owner of a hotel at Cape May, New Jersey, but has his home at Richmond, Virginia. During the war he was in the Department of Justice at Washington.

Lawrence Satterfield finished his education in Swarthmore College, the prominent Quaker school at Philadelphia. He was active in athletics. He left college to take charge of his father's farms and timberlands, and in 1888 became interested in the canning industry, and until coming to Ohio was a canner of peaches, pumkins, tomatoes, string beans, peas, chickens and turkeys. His brother-in-law, A. A. Christian who was former department head in the Gimble Brothers store at Philadelphia, now has charge of the lands of the William C. Satterfield estate.

Mr. Satterfield married Louetta Gordon, daughter of John Gordon, of Port Clinton, Ohio. They have one son, Allen, born in 1917. Mr. Satterfield is a member of the Episcopal Church, while Mrs. Satterfield is a Methodist. He is affiliated with the Masonic order, the Kiwanis Club, and is a democrat.

William Thomas Roberts is one of the best known labor representatives in Eastern Ohio. He is secretary-treasurer of the Miners Union, with headquarters at the Miners Temple at Bellaire. He has served as a member of the Legislature, and has also been active in business.

He was born at Shawnee, Perry County, Ohio, May 1, 1881, son of Thomas and Mary (Davis) Roberts. His parents were born in Wales. His father came to the United States when a small boy and spent his active career as a miner in Perry County, Ohio, where he died when his son William Thomas was a small child. The mother was also brought to the United States when a girl, and died in 1895. William Thomas Roberts was the second of four children, and was fourteen years of age when the death of his mother made him an orphan.

In the meantime, after a few terms of school, he went to work around the mines of Perry County at the age of eleven, also spent sometime mining at Crooksville. He came to Belmont County in 1901, following his occupation as a miner. His home since 1901 has been at Barton. However, from 1906 to 1912 he was in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as a street car motorman. Through all the years he has been active in union labor circles and in democratic politics. He served as registrar for his district and is a member of the county central committee. On returning to Belmont County in 1912 he entered the employ of the G. & O. Coal Company, and was active in the service of that company until 1922. He is now in business as a merchant at Barton.

Mr. Roberts has had an active part in the mine workers' union since 1903. In 1916 he was a member of the wage scale committee, and in 1916 was appointed a member of the building committee, and served as its secretary while the Miners Temple was being constructed at Bellaire. This is perhaps the finest labor temple in the country in a city of its size. In 1922 he again served on the wage scale committee, as chairman, and in October, 1923, was made secretary and treasurer of sub district No. 5, of district No. 6 of the United Mine Workers of America. He has been a delegate at a number of state and national labor conventions. Sine 1916 he has held the office of justice of the peace, and for a number of years was on the school board. From 1920 to 1922 he was a member of the democratic county executive committee, and in 1918 was a candidate at the primaries for the democratic nomination for Congress in the Eighteenth Ohio District. While a member of the Ohio Legislature Mr. Roberts served on the labor, mining building and loan and election committees, being secretary of the mines committee. Alone he waged and won the fight for the removal of the penalty eight hours clause in the constitution of Ohio. He was also active in behalf of state aid for schools.

Mr. Roberts is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Barton, and teacher in the Sunday school. He has twice been chancellor commander and is deputy grand chancellor of Barton Lodge No. 737, Knights of Pythias, is a member of the Community Club of Barton, and during the World war was chairman of his township and perfected the organization of the township for the sale of War Savings Stamps. His hobby is Americanization work among the mining population of Eastern Ohio.

At Barton, Ohio, in April, 1904, Mr. Roberts married Miss Mary R. Ray, who was born and reared on a farm at Barton, daughter of William Ray, a farmer and mine worker. He is an active member of the Methodist Church and various social clubs. They have five children: Felecia, William Thomas, (who is in business with his father at Barton), David John, Mary Margaret and Paul Revere.

Frederick William Weymueller by practical work beginning when a boy knows every phase of coal mining in the Hocking Valley, reached the rank of mining superintendent, but in late years has given his attention chiefly to the automobile business. He is president of the Elite Motor Bus Company, operating one of the most perfect systems of automobile bus services in Ohio. The chief points in the service are Shawnee, New Straitsville and Logan, Mr. Weymueller's home and headquarters being at New Straitsville. The business is incorporated with Mr. Weymueller, president and his son, N. S. Weymueller, general manager. Mr. Weymueller has been the authorized Ford dealer at New Straitsville since 1916.

He was born at Zanesville, Ohio, July 18, 1867, son of Ferdinand and Christina (Fetzer) Weymueller, natives of Germany, his father coming to this country when seventeen years of age, after having acquired a liberal education in the German schools. The parents are now living at Logan, the father at seventy-six and the mother at seventy-five. They were married at

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Zanesville, after which they lived at Cumberland, Maryland; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Nelsonville, Ohio; and finally moved to Logan. Ferdinand Weymueller was in the brewing business for a number of years, but since 1910 has been land agent for the Hocking Valley Products Company. He served four years on the Hocking County Board of County Commissioners, is a democrat and a Lutheran, and is affiliated with the Royal Arch Chapter and Council degrees in Masonry. His home has been in Hocking County for twenty-five years, and he is one of the highly regarded citizens there. For many years he owned and operated a model farm near Logan. Ferdinand Weymueller and wife had three sons: Frederick William; John, who is interested in coal production and lives at Nelsonville; and one son that died in childhood.

Frederick William Weymueller was about nine years of age when the family moved to Nelsonville, and after a limited attendance in the common schools he went to work in the mines for W. B. Brooks. As he puts it, he was then not tall enough to carry a dinner bucket without dragging it on the ground. He had experience in all the work of an underground miner, finally having been promoted to electrical machine operator at Doanville and Floodwood for Raybold Brothers. He was also on a machine for the Sunday Creek Coal Company. As superintendent he opened the mine and erected a tipple for the Gem Coal Company. After that Mr. Weymueller was superintendent for the Columbus Hocking Coal and Iron Company, a corporation that is now known as the Hocking Valley Products Company. He was superintendent of the company while operating both coal mines and oil wells. Mr. Weymueller has the distinction of having driven the stakes for the first oil wells in this district of Ohio. For two years he operated the Central Mine at New Straitsville, and while there engaged in the general mercantile business under the name of the Ohio Trading Company, and was active in that business for three years. He left the business to go into the garage and automobile service, which now demands his time and attention.

During the four years he was a member of the Nelsonville City Council Mr. Weymueller took the lead in getting an electric light and power plant for that village. He is a republican, and he and his son Murel are both Knight Templar Masons and members of the Masonic Grotto.

He married in 1893 Miss Bell Blackburn, who was born at Carbondale in Athens County, daughter of Silas Blackburn. Their two sons are Murel S. and Glen. Both are graduates of high school and Glen took a business course at Columbus. Murel was for twenty-two months in the United States service, in the motor truck division, and after training at Camp Sherman went overseas and helped transport ammunition and supplies to the battle fronts along the Meuse-Argonne sector and Ypres. He is a member of the Baptist Church. The son Glen is an employe of the Chesepeake & Ohio Railway Company.

William A. Miller was a maker of shoes. That was the business by which he justified his career as a purposeful and worthy worker among his fellow men. For twenty years before his death he was president of the H. C. Godman Company, the largest concern of its kind in the Columbus industrial district. Permeating his business and its personnel and all the relationships of a busy life, he exemplified a character that those who were close to him esteemed as even more important than any of his material achievements. In a degree rare among men he exemplified the philosophy of life that whatever a man does in this world adds to or subtracts from our civilization, and that it is well worth a man's time to live a correct life even though there be no hereafter, since such a life and its influence increase the moral assets of the world.

The keynote of his life was work, but industry was only one of a happy combination of qualities, including vision, initiative earnestness and enthusiasm, high ideals and worthy ambitions, and a generosity that manifested itself in thousands "of unremembered acts of kindness and of love." He believed in himself, rejoiced in his work, was proud of his product, trusted his fellow man, respected the rights of others, asking of no one more than he was ready to give. In his opinions he was firm, without intolerance, was plain concise in speech, in manner earnest, in judgments kind, and was loyal to home, community, country and, above all, to the essential principles of Christian conduct.

William A. Miller was born in Lancaster, Ohio, November 13, 1857. His father was a shoemaker, and he gained his first lessons in the trade at his father's bench. His schooling was the equivalent of not more than four years in the public schools, gained in the Lutheran parochial school at Lancaster. He continued work in his father's shop until he was nineteen, and from that time succeeded in carrying out his resolutions to be totally dependent upon his own resources. Going to Columbus, he found employment at meager wages with the firm Hodder & Godman, leather merchants, his salary and his thrifty habits putting him under the necessity of sleeping in the store room. His energy and diligence attracted the attention of his employers, and finally they yielded to his enthusiastic appeal to undertake the manufacture from waste cuttings of a shoe for infants that could be turned out cheaper and better than that made in the New England shops. The introductory campaign to sell these shoes brought so many orders that Mr. Miller found his ingenuity taxed to the utmost to supply the demand. That was his first business claim, and it's outcome insured his success. His employers after that gave him their fullest confidence and support. Subsequently it was through his advice that the firm began the manufacture of a line of women's and children's shoes.

When the old firm dissolved William A. Miller became a member of the reorganization and manager of the H. C. Godman Company. With this and its predecessor Mr. Miller was actively identified for forty-five years, and his faithful and constructive service was in a great measure responsible for the development of the business into a great industry, including four plants which he established in his native town of Lancaster. William A. Miller in 1901 became president of the H. C. Godman Company, and continued as its chief executive until his death on September 2, 1921. He died at his summer home in Northern Michigan.

His successor in business as president of the H. C. Godman Company is his son, Frederick A. Miller, whose career is sketched elsewhere.

The late William A. Miller had a wide scope of other business interests, including the Claycraft Mining & Brick Company, the Marble Cliff Quarries Company, the Jones Heel Company, the Lancaster Tire & Rubber Company, the Ohio Steel Foundry Company, the Columbus Forge & Iron Company and the Columbus Union Oil Cloth Company.

It has been noted that he had only a brief period of schooling, but that did not measure his real education, which was never ending. His favorite subjects of study were history and science. He enjoyed such pastimes as fishing and golf, and he remained a life-long member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Lancaster.

Mr. Miller married, December 31, 1877, Miss Anna M. Halbedel. She survived him. There were two

children, the son Frederick A. and the daughter, Mrs. B. C. Morse, Jr.

The concluding lines of this brief biography will be taken up appropriately by a quotation in part from the memorial resolution adopted by the employes of the H. C. Godman Company, following the death of the president.

"In his departure, we have each lost a leader of unusual ability, a willing and capable advisor, a fine and loyal friend, with whom our association has ever been the most cordial, intimate and confiding; while we shall miss his counsel and guidance in our daily tasks hereafter, the respect and reverence which we have for his memory will serve to bind us more closely together in a community of mutual sympathy, helpfulness and understanding. We know of no memorial that will express more appropriately and adequately the respect and love that we bore our good old chief than the pledge which we here acknowledge, to carry forward the work in which we have been so happily associated with him in the same spirit in which he ever directed and inspired our efforts. As an evidence of our intention and purpose to preserve and maintain the high ideals of the organization, which he built up and perfected with pardonable pride and satisfaction, we will give to his successor and son, Frederick A. Miller, in whom we have the fullest faith and confidence, our best efforts and our most loyal support. We extend to Frederick A. Miller, and his mother and sister, and the other members of the bereaved family our deepest sympathy, and a copy of these resolutions is presented to each of them as a permanent reminder of the esteem and respect in which we hold their loved one, and as a token of our appreciation of the grand old chief whose life has been an inspiration to us all and whom we shall strive to emulate in modesty and achievement."

Frederick Augustus Miller is president of the H. C. Godman Company, a shoe manufacturing organization that takes its place among the largest and most successful industries of the kind in the country. Mr. Miller represents the third successive generation of the family to be in this line of business in Ohio. He accepted his opportunities for early apprenticeship, and with eminent natural gifts and qualifications has while still comparatively young achieved a reputation as one of the recognized financial and industrial leaders of the state. Every civic and many other organizations of Columbus have similarly recognized the indispensable assistance he could give in insuring the success of worthy movements.

Mr. Miller was born at Columbus, October 14, 1879, a son of William A. and Anna Maria (Halbedel) Miller. His grandfather, Gotlieb Miller, came from Germany in 1835. He had been trained to the art of shoe making in the arduous and thorough German system, and at Lancaster, Ohio, he opened a small shoe shop. He made it something more than a local shop for the cobbling of boots and shoes. Under his ownership it developed into a profitable business of considerable proportions, specializing in bench made custom shoes.

William A. Miller, of the second generation of the family, was born at Lancaster, learned the shoe business under his father, and eventually, in 1876, moved to Columbus. For a time he was a clerk in the firm of Hodder & Godman, leather merchants, later became a member of the firm J. H. Godman & Company, and, finally, with H. C. Godman organized the H. C. Godman Company, shoe manufacturers. William A. Miller was president of this business for a number of years. He died in September, 1921.

Frederick Augustus Miller was accorded most liberal educational opportunities and while his father was well satisfied to see him take up the shoe business he wanted him trained in the broadest possible manner for a successful business career. After graduating from the Columbus High School in 1897 he entered Ohio State University, took the full course and graduated Doctor of Philosophy in 1901. Then, complying with his father's request, he entered the law department but after six months decided not to continue the studies any longer since he had no real ambition to become a lawyer. In the meantime, as a boy in high school and college, he had gained considerable practical experience in his father's business. He worked Saturdays and during vacations at the plant of H. C. Godman Company without wages. On leaving law school he resumed his work in the factory, on an agreement that he was to work two years without pay, and at the end of that time was either to be paid wages or discharged. It was in the closing weeks of 1901 that he went on duty in Factory No. 1, beginning in what is now known as "efficiency" studies. By the end of the first year he had demonstrated that he had in him the making of a first class shoe manufacturer. Accordingly was formally installed as superintendent of Factory No. 1, with a salary. In 1904 he was made general manager of the company's five plants. This number has since increased to nine plants. Still later he was made vice president in addition to general manager, and after the death of his father he succeeded as president of the corporation. This is Columbus' pioneer and greatest shoe manufacturing industry, and Mr. Miller in every step of his promotion has demonstrated his ability and qualifications as a worthy man for putting the organization in the front rank of similar industries in America. He has infused his personal leadership and administrative ability throughout the working organization.

In addition Mr. Miller has a large number of other business responsibilities. He is a director of the Ohio National Bank, one of the state's greatest financial institutions, and is interested in the City National Bank. He is either a director or officer in the following corporations: Arrow Sand & Gravel Company, Claycraft Mining & Brick Company, Columbus Forge & Iron Company, Columbus Union Oil Cloth Company, Jones Heel Company, Lancaster Tire & Rubber Company, Marble Cliff Quarries Company, The Miller-Lerch Shoe Manufacturing Company, Midland Mutual Life Insurance Company, and the Ohio Steel Foundry Company at Lima and the Vapo Stove Company at Lima.

During the period of the World war both the government and the community gave him greatly increased responsibilities, looking to him naturally as a leader in such critical times. He went into all the movements for the support and relief of the soldier boys, and was one of the organizers and was made vice president and still later elected president of the Columbus "three million dollars and over war chest," which proved one of the most successful undertakings of the kind in the country and consequently received a great deal of favorable publicity. Mr. Miller was also chairman of the District Manufacturers Commission for Central Ohio, acting in cooperation with the War Industries Board, and was a member of the National Shoe Manufacturers War Service Committee.

His war work was in the minds of local business men and civic leaders when at a meeting in February, 1923, he was chosen chairman of the Building Fund Committee for the benefit of the Young Men's Christian Association. A short time before America entered the World war a campaign for the Young Men's Christian Association had accumulated a fund of nearly half a million dollars. On account of war time conditions the directors decided to defer the building program, and by 1922 this program had assumed an increased scope so that it involved an outlay of more

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than one and a half million dollars. The campaign for funds of which Mr. Miller was given charge in 1923 had as its objective the raising of approximately $900,000.

On July 1, 1924, Mr. Miller was selected by Governor Donahey as chairman of the Ohio Relief Commission, appointed by the governor for the relief and rehabilitation of the cyclone devastated area of Northern Ohio. More than seventy lives were lost, several hundred persons were injured and tremendous damage to property resulted from the tornado that swept the cities of Lorain and Sandusky and the rural sections of Lorain, Sandusky, Erie, Huron, Medina and Portage counties on June 28, 1924. The commission, under Mr. Miller's direction, thoroughly organized a campaign for a state wide appeal. Through its efforts, and with the aid of local committees in Lorain, approximately $1,000,000 was secured by popular subscriptions and from other sources, all of which was effectively and economically administered through the Disaster Division of the American Red Cross.

Mr. Miller in 1922, as a memorial to his father, donated land to the City of Lancaster, his father's birthplace, for a public park and recreation ground, and also made provisions for the construction of a swimming pool for the park. The City of Lancaster has since given it the name of Miller Park, though the gift was made without any such proviso. Mr. Miller is a member of the Scioto Country Club, Columbus Country Club, Columbus Club and Columbus Athletic Club.

April 20, 1909, he married Miss Roberta B. Miller, a native of Terre Haute, Indiana, and daughter of William H. Miller, of the Mill & Mine Supply Company of that city. They have two children, Edward William and Frances Anne.

HAL H. WRIGHT. One of the important industries of the City of Lisbon in Columbiana County is the Wright Manufacturing Company, founders and manufacturers of products that are sent to nearly all parts of the world. Three generations of their family have been identified with this business, the president of the company, Hal H. Wright, representing the middle generation.

The founder of the business was Hugh Wright, who was born in Columbiana County, in 1835, was reared there, and in 1858 moved to Warren in Trumbull County, where he married and followed the trade of machinist. In 1865, at the end of the Civil war, he went South and spent three years in Alabama. Then returning to Warren, he owned and operated a machine shop until 1881, when he started his business at Lisbon. He remained in active charge until 1890, when his son Hal became his successor. Hugh Wright then retired and spent his last years at Salida, Colorado, where he died in 1911. He was a republican and a member of the Masonic fraternity. His wife, Addie Hurlbut, was born in 1835, and died at Denver, Colorado, in 1918. They had four children: Clarion M., a machinist in New York City; Miss Anna Dell, of Denver; Hal H.; and Edgar M., an employe of the Pressed Steel Car Company at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

Hal H. Wright attended the public schools at Warren, including high school, and was eighteen when the call to practical work and business took him out of school. He learned the machinist's trade in his father's shop at Lisbon, and has been a resident and business man of that city for over forty years. As noted above, he took active charge of the business in 1890, and under him it has greatly developed and expanded its usefulness as a general foundry and machine plant. He is president and active head of the business, and his three associates are his sons Charles F., Hal F. and William F. Wright. This company manufactures an important line of chain hoists, traveling cranes and trolleys, and is one of the best equipped industries of the kind in Ohio. The products are sold and distributed all over the United States, and the export trade has been growing in volume for a number of years. The company owns the large plant and offices at the Erie Railway at the foot of Beaver Street. 125 persons find employment in this business.

Mr. Wright is a republican, and has served as a member of the board of education at Lisbon, is a member of New Lisbon Lodge No. 65, Free and Accepted Masons, New Lisbon Chapter No. 92, Royal Arch Masons, Salem Commandery No. 42 Knights Templar, and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland.

His home is one East Chestnut Street at Lisbon. He married in that Ohio town, December 5, 1889, Mrs. Mary Farmer, daughter of Isaac P. and Susan (Cornwell) Farmer, now deceased. Her father was a civil engineer. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Wright are the three sons named above, active associates in the Wright Manufacturing Company. Charles F. is a graduate of the Carnegie Institute of Technology of Pittsburgh. Hal F. attended the Ohio State University one year and then for three years was in the Carnegie Institute of Technology. William F., the youngest son, is a graduate of the Lisbon High School, and spent three years in the Carnegie Institute at Pittsburgh.

MANLEY MILO GILMORE has been a life long resident of Geauga County, was reared on a farm and participated in farm work for several years, but for the past twenty years has been a resident of Chardon and prominently identified with two of the public utilities of that city, the Chardon Telephone Company and the Municipal Light and Waterworks.

Mr. Gilmore was born at Chester, in Geauga County, February 14, 1878. His great-grandfather, Ashville Gilmore, was of Scotch-Irish descent and of a Colonial family of New England. When a young man he left New England and traveled by ox team across the mountains, settling at Chester in Geauga County when this region was a wildnerness. He spent the rest of his life as a farmer. His son, Silas Gilmore, was a life long resident of the Chester community, and owned and operated a farm there. His wife was Lois Nichols, who was born in one of the New England states and died at Chester. Weller S. Gilmore, father of Manley Milo, was born at Chester, July 2, 1847, was reared and married there, finished his education in Oberlin College, and devoted his mature years to the management and operation of a farm in that rich and productive section of Geauga County around Chester. Late in life he retired and moved to Chardon, and died at the home of his son Manley on September 18, 1922. In politics he always voted republican, and was clerk of Chester Township and clerk of the school board a number of years. He was an active supporter of the Congregational Church. His wife, Statira Ames, was born at Chester in 1851, and died at Chardon in 1920. They had just two sons, Clifford and Manley Milo. Clifford F. Gilmore is a graduate of Oberlin College and of the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Chicago, and is now practicing medicine and surgery at Chester in his old home community.

Manley Milo Gilmore graduated from the high school at Chester in 1896, and busied himself with the work and responsibilities of the home farm for several years, and has always been more or less interested in farming. He and his brother Clifford still own the old homestead of 175 acres near Chester. When Mr. Gilmore moved to Chardon, in 1903, he went to work for the Chardon Telephone Company as a lineman,

and he has been in the service of that company ever since, advancing himself through different positions until he is now its vice president and general manager. This telephone company was established in 1895, and is one of the oldest local telephone exchanges in Northern Ohio. It supplies telephone service to Chardon and vicinity. Since 1917 Mr. Gilmore has also been superintendent of the Municipal Electric Light and Waterworks at Chardon. He has been deservedly prosperous in his business career, and among other interests he is a stockholder in the Chardon Savings Bank Company and the Goodyear Rubber Company, and owns one of the finest homes in the county, at 114 South Street in Chardon.

Mr. Gilmore is a republican, is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Chardon Lodge No. 213, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Chardon Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias, and Chardon Kiwanis Club.

On October 11, 1907, he married Miss Minnie McNaughton, daughter of Edison and Rose (Conley) McNaughton, now deceased. Her father was a carpenter and builder. Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore have one child, Marriam Ames, a student in the public schools at Chardon.

William H. Vodrey. Representing a name and family intimately connected with pioneer and later developments of the great pottery industry of East Liverpool, William H. Vodrey chose the law as his profession, and for over a quarter of a century has been one of the able and dignified members of the East Liverpool bar. He is also a director of the pottery business established by his father and uncles.

He was born at East Liverpool, Columbiana County, March 4, 1873. The Vodrey family comes from the same locality in England, a great pottery center, from which other pioneer American potters came. His grandfather Jabez Vodrey was born at Burslem, England, came to this country when a young man, and lived for a time at Louisville, Kentucky but about 1846 established his home at East Liverpool and helped make the beginnings of the pottery industry there. He lived in East Liverpool the rest of his life. His wife, Sarah Nixon, was also born at Burslem, England.

Col. William H. Vodrey, father of the East Liverpool attorney, was born at Liverpool, Kentucky, in August, 1830, spent part of his boyhood in Troy, Indiana, and was sixteen years of age when his parents settled at East Liverpool. For the rest of his life he lived in that Ohio city, and after leaving school went to work for the pottery manufacturers Woodward, Blakely & Mitchell. Subsequently he and his two brothers, James N. and John W., acquired part of the pottery plant in which they had been employed, and this was the beginning of an industry with which the Vodrey name has ever since been associated. For many years the firm was Vodrey Brothers, but in 1896 the business was incorporated as the Vodrey Pottery Company. Vodrey products contributed to some of the remarkable fame attaching to East Liverpool pottery. One of the founders of the business gave up his life as a sacrifice to the cause of the Union in the Civil war. He was John W. Vodrey, who was killed while the Union armies were near Atlanta. Col. William H. Vodrey was also an officer, being commander of the One Hundred and Forty-second Ohio Infantry, and was all through the war. He was a staunch republican, a member of the Masonic fraternity, and for a quarter of a century served as a member of the East Liverpool School Board. Colonel Vodrey married Elizabeth Jackman, who was born in 1843 near Fredericktown in St. Clair Township, Columbiana County. Her father, Rev. John Jackman, was a farmer and also a minister of the Disciples Church. One Sunday morning, when Gen. John Morgan was progressing through the southeastern counties of Ohio in his memorable raid, Rev. Mr. Jackman dismissed his congregation to join the volunteers to stop the raider. Col. William H. Vodrey died at East Liverpool, November 15, 1896, and his wife, in 1911. Of their three children William H. Vodrey is the youngest. Oliver C., the oldest, is a fruit grower in East Liverpool. Mary, of East Liverpool, was a Young Men's Christian Association worker in the canteen service in France during the World war.

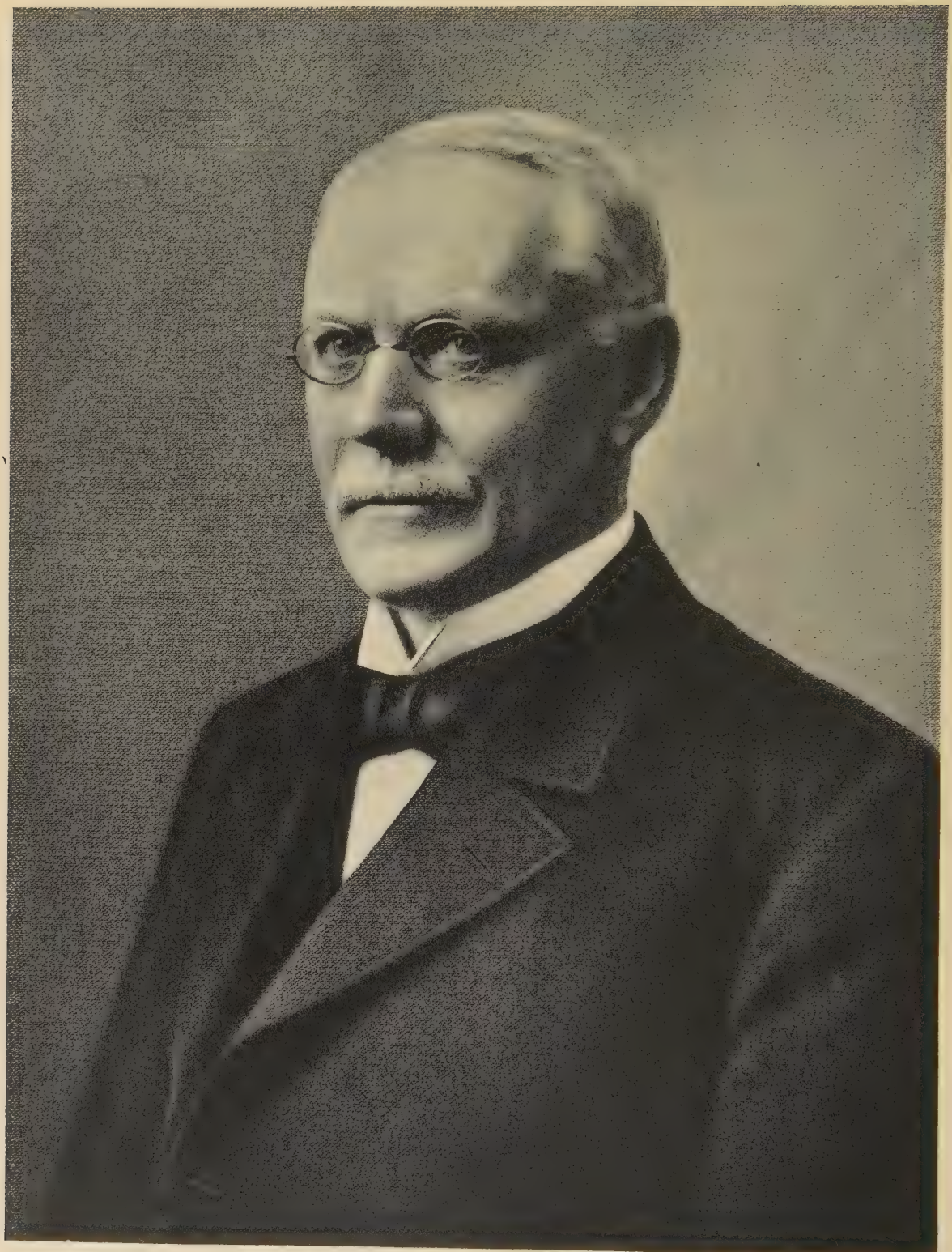
William H. Vodrey attended public schools at East Liverpool, and in 1894 graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Bethany College at Bethany, West Virginia. He received his law degree from the University of Michigan in 1896, and in 1897 was again graduated in law, this time from the Cincinnati Law School. Admitted to the bar in June, 1897, he has since that date been identified with the general law practice at East Liverpool and his offices are in the Potters Savings and Loan Building. Mr. Vodrey is a director of the First National Bank of East Liverpool, is a director in the Vodrey Pottery Company, and has some other property interests, including his residence on Park Boulevard.

In politics he has acted with the republican party. He was elected and served two terms, four years, as city solicitor, and was also for two terms, four years, prosecuting attorney of Columbiana County. He is a member of the First Christian Church at East Liverpool, Riddle Lodge No. 315, Free and Accepted Masons, East Liverpool Lodge No. 379, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, East Liverpool Lodge No. 258, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He belongs to the Ohio State, the Columbiana County and the American Bar associations.

On May 16, 1902, at East Liverpool, Mr. Vodrey married Miss Dorothy Kelley, daughter of Joseph M. and Margaret (Thompson) Kelley, now deceased. Her father was an oil and gas producer. Mrs. Vodrey, who finished her education in Wilson College at Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, is the mother of three children. William H., III, and Joseph K., are both in their second year at Princeton University. Margaret Louise, the daughter, is a student in the public schools of East Liverpool.

Carl B. Rettig has the progressiveness and energy that make him an effective executive in his service as sales manager for the Waddell Steel Company located in the City of Niles, Trumbull County, a corporation that has done much to further the civic and industrial advancement of this vital Ohio city.

Mr. Rettig was born at Willard, Huron County, Ohio, on the 5th of October, 1893. His father, John Leoard Retting, was born near Holgate, Henry County, Ohio, in the year 1840, and was a resident of Willard, Huron County, at the time of his death, in 1900. He was reared to the sturdy discipline of the farm and during the course of his entire independent career he continued his successful association with farm enterprise. In 1870 he purchased and established his home on an excellent farm near Willard, Huron County, and he continued actively as one of the representative farmers of that county until 1893, when he retired from his farm to the village of Willard, where he remained until his death. His widow survived him about nine years, and her death there occurred in 1909. Both were earnest members of the United Brethren Church, and his political alignment was with the republican party. He was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Grand Army of the Republic, he having been a member of an Ohio regiment in the Civil war and having given gallant service in the great conflict by which the integrity of the nation was preserved. Mrs. Rettig whose maiden



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name was Hannah Carson, was born near Holgate, Henry County, in 1849, both she and her husband having been reared and educated in that county, where their marriage was solemnized. Of the children the eldest, Elmer E., is a retired farmer residing at Baltimore, Fairfield County, this state; Mrs. Nellie Jackson, whose husband is a railroad employe, residing at Willard, was thirty-six years of age at the time of her death; Melvin O. is a successful lawyer in the City of Toledo; Adelbert S. is engaged in the steel brokerage business at Kansas City, Missouri; Lettie is the wife of Albert Behn, a railroad machinist, and they reside at Willard, Huron County; and Carl B., of this sketch, is the youngest of the number.

Carl B. Rettig was graduated from the high school at Willard as a member of the class of 1910, and thereafter he entered historic old Kenyon College, at Gambier, Ohio, in which institution he was graduated in 1914, with the degree of Bachelor of Science, he having there become affiliated with the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. In the year of his graduation Mr. Rettig entered the employ of the Briar Hill Steel Company at Youngstown, Mahoning County, and about two years later he retired from this position with this corporation to enter the nation's military service in connection with the troubles on the Mexican border. He enlisted July 1, 1916, and was assigned to service with the Third Field Hospital Corps, a Youngstown organization, with which he served ten months on the Texas-Mexican border. When the United States entered the World war, in April, 1917, Mr. Rettig was sent to the Officers Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, and there on the 15th of August, 1917, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army. He was shortly afterward assigned to service with the Twenty-fourth United States Cavalry at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming, and three months later he was transferred with this command to Houston, Texas. One month later he was assigned to the Twentieth Field Artillery at Leon Springs, near San Antonio, that state, and four months later he entered the School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he remained ten months. He was then transferred to Camp Upton, New York, and on the 15th of May, 1918, he embarked, at Montreal, Canada, for overseas service. He landed with his command at Liverpool, England, and thence proceeded across the channel to France, where he landed, at Le Havre, on the 1st of June, 1918. He took part in the now historic Vosges and St. Mihiel offensives, as well as those of the Meuse-Argonne and the Metz, and in July, 1918, he was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, the following October having recorded his advancement to the brevet rank of captain. After the signing of the armistice he was with the allied Army of Occupation in Germany, where he was stationed at Luxemburg. After his return to the United States he continued in service in the Regular Army until October, 1920, when he received his honorable discharge. For nine months thereafter he was engaged in the brokerage business at El Paso, Texas, and he then came to Niles, Ohio, in May, 1921, and on the first of the following August he was made secretary of the Niles Chamber of Commerce, serving until February, 1924, when he resigned to take up his present work.

Mr. Rettig is a thoroughgoing republican in politics and he and his wife are members of the United Brethren Church. In his home city Mr. Rettig's Masonic affiliations are with Mahoning Lodge No. 394, Free and Accepted Masons, and Niles Chapter No. 223, Royal Arch Masons, of which last named organization he is the secretary (1923). At Warren, the county seat, he is affiliated with Warren Council No. 66, Royal and Select Masters, and Warren Commandery No. 39, Knights Templar. His Scottish Rite affiliations are with the Consistory at San Antonio, Texas, in the southern jurisdiction, and in the same he has received the thirty-second degree, besides which he is a Noble of El Maida Temple of the Mystic Shrine at El Paso, Texas. He is one of the most loyal and popular members of William McKinley Post No. 126, American Legion, at Niles, and had the distinction of serving as its commander in 1921.

August 18, 1917, recorded the marriage of Mr. Rettig and Miss Selma Evans, who was born and reared at Niles, and who is a popular figure in the representative social activities of her native city.

Hugh L. Butler for the past six years has been one of the principals in the splendid school system of Middletown, one of the most progressive cities in the state in respect to educational facilities. Mr. Butler is principal of Young's School.

He was born at Ridgeway, Hardin County, Ohio, January 8, 1896, son of George E. and Jessie (Livingston) Butler. His father is proprietor of the Pure Bred Stock Farm at Ridgeway, Ohio. Hugh L. Butler was reared on the farm, attended the public schools and graduated in 1912 from the Kenton High School at the county seat of Hardin County. Following that he spent two years in Ohio Wesleyan University, and has taken special courses in education at Ohio State University and Ohio Northern University. Mr. Butler was for two years a teacher in the public schools of his native county, and for three years was principal of the Pleasant Grove School in Youngstown.

He came to Middletown in 1919, and for two years was principal of the North Public School and since 1921 has been principal of the Young Public School. He has a staff of seventeen teachers, and a scholarship enrollment of 305. Mr. Butler is interested in many phases of modern education and school management, and particularly has done much to develop school athletics. While principal of the North School his basket ball team won the prize over all other Middletown schools, and the Young School basket ball team has won every year since he became principal. He has been much interested in the possibilities of education through the medium of stereopticon views and moving pictures. In addition to his duties at Youngstown, Mr. Butler is head counselor at Camp Fairwood, a summer camp for boys at Bellaire, Michigan.

During the World war he was a volunteer, and was in training in the Motor Transport Corps at Camp Sherman and later at Camp Jessup. He is a member of the Southwestern Ohio Teachers Association, the Ohio State Teachers Association, and holds a diploma from the Ohio Reading Circle. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

John Joseph Stoddart. Of staunch English ancestry, John Joseph Stoddart was born at Wigton, Cumberland County, England, on March 29, 1850, the son of John and Jane (Hodgson) Stoddart. When he was three years of age his father died and his mother later married John Graham. In 1857 the family came to America and located in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. The following year they moved to Ohio, settling on a farm on the National Road, east of Cambridge, in Guernsey County, and in 1865 came to Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. Stoddart received his early education in the country schools, and worked on a farm until seventeen years of age. Then realizing the value of an education and ambitious to fill a real place in the world, he left home and started out for himself, working his way through high school and college. He entered the University of Michigan in 1871, and

graduated in 1875, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy.

On leaving the university he accepted a position as instructor in old Central High School of Columbus, and while engaged in teaching, studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1878. Although offered the position as principal of Central High School, he entered into the active practice of law, forming a partnership with Horace Wilson, under the firm name of Wilson and Stoddart. This association lasted until 1892, when the senior partner withdrew. Mr. Stoddart continued an individual practice until 1910, when the partnership, which lasted until his death, was formed with his son, John C. Stoddart. Mr. Stoddart's practice was extensive and important, and his clients included many of the large corporations and financial institutions of Central Ohio. He was an able lawyer and a wise counsellor.

In politics Mr. Stoddart was a staunch republican and an active worker in the cause of his party. Although often urged, he never sought public office. He was active in civic affairs. For many years he served as a member of the Franklin Park Commission, being appointed from time to time by successive mayors of the city. At the time of his death he was treasurer and trustee of the Columbus Law Library Association.

On the night that his resignation as an instructor in Central High School was accepted by the Board of Education he was elected a member of the City Board of Examiners of Teachers and served in that capacity for thirty years. For many years he was a member of the Board of Education and was twice elected its president. He was also a trustee of the Teachers' Pension Fund. Mr. Stoddart was preeminently a friend of the public schools and a champion of the teachers.

In 1891 Mr. Stoddart, with a number of other professional and business men, organized the Ohio State Savings Association, and became its legal adviser and guiding spirit. He served as president from 1905 until April 21, 1922, when he was succeeded by his son, John C. Stoddart. He took pride and satisfaction in the growth and success of the association, which now occupies a prominent place in financial circles in Columbus. For many years Mr. Stoddart served on the Executive Committee of the Ohio Building and Loan Association League, and in 1921 was chosen its president. He was also actively interested in the United States League of Building and Loan Associations and took an important part in formulating its policies. Mr. Stoddart was a recognized authority on building and loan laws, and brought to the building and loan associations a keen mind and remarkable breadth of vision. It is largely through his work that these associations have been brought to their present high standard and usefulness to the community. Through them many people are home owners who otherwise would have been renters. Mr. Stoddart believed that thrift and home-owning were at the foundation of good citizenship.

Mr. Stoddart was a member of the Ohio State and Franklin County Bar associations, the Columbus Country Club and other social and fraternal societies.

Next to his home and profession, Mr. Stoddart's keen delight was in his farm, where for more than twenty-five summers he worked among his fields and flowers, being especially interested in the ever-changing panorama of nature's workshop and firmly believing with the bard, that "The woods were God's first temples."

On November 12, 1879, at Columbus, Ohio, Mr. Stoddart was married to Minnie Cole, daughter of Nathan and Mary (Sayles) Cole. Mr. Cole served for thirty-three years as county recorder of Franklin County. There are two children, John C. Stoddart and Mary S. Eagleson, wife of Joseph P. Eagleson.

Mr. John J. Stoddart died April 21, 1922, at his home, 1533 Franklin Park South, Columbus, Ohio, rounding out a busy and useful life, filled with loyal service to the City of Columbus and his fellow men. Although starting out with more than the usual obstacles to overcome, by determination and untiring application, he fought his way to success and attained in his chosen profession of the law and in financial circles an eminence enjoyed by only a few.

JOHN GILBERT McDOUGAL, M. D. One of the ablest men in the medical profession of Perry County is Dr. John Gilbert McDougal, of New Lexington. His work as a physician and surgeon has been carried on in that locality for over forty years, and his service through nearly two generations has been accompanied with a high degree of skill and utmost faithfulness.

Doctor McDougal was born on his father's farm in Ames Township, Athens County, Ohio, November 12, 1859. This homestead was settled by his grandparents, John and Hannah (McKinney) McDougal, in 1817. John McDougal, of Scotch parentage, was born in 1777 and was reared in a French neighborhood in Ontario, Canada. When he left there he could speak French better than English. On leaving Canada he went to New York City, where he was steward of the first hospital in that city, his wife acting in the capacity of matron. After five years at New York they came west to the wilderness of Ames Township, Athens County, finding but two settlers in the entire township when they moved here. He entered land here, and distinguished himself as a typical citizen as well as a typical farmer; and did much toward establishing good schools and churches. He died at the age of seventy-seven. His wife, Hannah McKinney, was a cousin of Elizabeth Patterson, who married Jerome Bonaparte against the strenuous objections made by the Emperor Napoleon.

Gilbert McMasters McDougal, father of Doctor McDougal, was born in Athens County in 1819, and died November 30, 1899, when eighty years of age. He acquired his early education in district schools, finished the civil engineering course in Ohio University at Athens, and did some surveying in early life. He then took charge of the home farm and looked after his parents, his older brothers having gone west. His farm of five hundred acres in Ames Township came to be pointed out as one of the best managed farms in the county. He also took a very intelligent interest in public affairs, serving as township trustee, justice of the peace and for ten years held the office of county commissioner. No one before or since has served so long in that office in the county with such general satisfaction. Physically, Gilbert McDougal was big and strong, weighing 220 pounds, and bore a marked resemblance to P. T. Barnum. He also acquired a reputation for shrewd Scotch sense and wisdom, his advice being sought by his neighbors and he moved as a real leader among the people. He was a high tariff republican in politics, and, like other generations of the family, was a Scotch Presbyterian. He belonged to the Masonic order.

Gilbert M. McDougal married Sarah Woodworth, who was born at Williamsfield, Ashtabula County, Ohio, and was twelve years of age when her parents moved to Athens County. She was a daughter of Sabina Woodworth. Her death occurred in 1901, at the age of seventy-six. Gilbert McDougal and wife had a family of three daughters, all now deceased, and two sons: Dr. John Gilbert, of New Lexington, and Dr. Charles Stuart McDougal, a prominent physician and surgeon at Athens.

Claude Gracker

John Gilbert McDougal spent his boyhood days on the farm, attended the country schools, and for three years was a student in Ohio University at Athens. He then entered the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, where he completed the course and took his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1882. Shortly after graduating he located at New Lexington, and has served that one community ever since. He has had a large practice almost from the start, and for years he made his rounds in all kinds of weather and over roads frequently accessible only on horseback. He has not only been constant in the performance of his duty as a professional man, but has taken more than his share of civic responsibility. He was one of the organizers of the Kirkwood China Company, and is a director of the Perry County Bank. He is president of the Perry County Medical Society and a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. Doctor McDougal is a Knight Templar Mason, having served two terms as master of the local lodge of Masons, has been high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter, and is affiliated with the Elks and Knights of Pythias.

In December, 1893, Doctor McDougal married Miss Emma Bastian, daughter of Philip Bastian, of New Lexington. Two sons were born to their marriage. Taine G., a graduate of Ohio State University, is now an engineer with the Champion Ignition Company, manufacturers of the Champion spark plug at Flint, Michigan. The son, Charles Bastian, is a graduate of Ohio State University, took his medical degree in Western Reserve University at Cleveland, served with the Medical Reserve Corps during the World war, and has relieved his father of some of the heavy responsibilities of his practice at New Lexington. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

CHARLES H. RAUSCH. Rock Creek is one of the vital and attractive villages of Ashtabula County, and its well ordered public schools have Charles H. Rausch as their efficient and popular superintendent, he having assumed this office in the autumn of 1923. The teachers in the schools of Rock Creek are eight in number, and the enrollment of pupils total somewhat more than three hundred. Mr. Rausch has not only made a record of successful achievement in the pedagogic profession, but was also one of Ohio's representatives in the nation's military service in the World war. He is a scion of a family whose name has been identified with Ohio history for approximately ninety years. His grandfather, Charles Rausch, was born in Germany, in 1831, and was a boy when his parents came to the United States and established their home in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, where they passed the remainder of their lives. In that county Charles Rausch was reared to maturity, and he was there long numbered among the substantial and representative farmers in Auburn Township, near Ragersville, his death having there occurred in 1906. He was a soldier of the Union during the last two years of the Civil war.

Charles H. Rausch was born on the home farm of his father in Auburn Township, Tuscarawas County, and the date of his nativity was October 9, 1891. He is a son of Peter and Margaret (Steinebry) Rausch, who now reside at Ragersville, that county, where the father was born in November, 1855, the mother having been born in Germany, in August, 1865, but having been reared and educated in Tuscarawas County. Peter Rausch is aligned in the cohorts of the democratic party, and he and his wife are active members of the Protestant Reformed Church. Of the children the eldest is Miss Elizabeth, who holds a confidential clerical position with a leading playwright in New York City; Charles H., of this review, was the next in order of birth; William resides at Canal Dover, Tuscarawas County, and is a tire vulcanizer by vocation, he having been in the aviation department of the United States Army in the World war period and having been stationed in Texas for a period of fourteen months, his rank having been that of sergeant; Calvin is principal of the public schools at Palmyra, Portage County; and Justice and Ruth are attending (1923) the public schools in the home town of Ragersville, where Justice is a student in the high school.

The public schools of his native county constituted the medium through which Charles H. Rausch acquired his preliminary education. His higher studies were pursued in Kent College, at Kent, Portage County, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1921, his academic degree in this connection being that of Bachelor of Science.

Before completing his college course it had been within the patriotic province of Mr. Rausch to enter the nation's service in connection with the World war. His enlistment took place in May, 1918, and he had two weeks of preparatory work at Valparaiso, Indiana, followed by two months at the University of Maine, whence he was then transferred to Camp Raritan, at Metuchen, New Jersey, where he was assigned to duty in the personnel office. He there remained eight months, and after the armistice brought the war to a close he returned to Ohio, his honorable discharge having been here received at Columbus Barracks in March, 1919.

After his graduation from Kent College Mr. Rausch there remained as instructor in social science and manual arts until the autumn of 1923, when, after teaching in the summer sessions at Kent College, he assumed his present position, that of superintendent of the public schools of Rock Creek.

Mr. Rausch is well fortified in his opinions concerning economic and governmental policies, and is a staunch advocate of the principles of the democratic party. He is an earnest communicant of the Lutheran Church, and he served as a member of the college church council while a student in Kent College. He is affiliated with Rocton Lodge No. 316, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Kent; with Jefferson Lodge No. 181, Knights of Pythias, at Stone Creek; and with Portage Post No. 496, American Legion, at Kent. He is actively identified with the Ohio State Teachers' Association, the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association, and the National Educational Association.

May 6, 1918, at Massillon, Stark County, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Rausch and Miss Zaida Kelly, daughter of William and Estella (Dunlap) Kelly, who still reside in that city, where Mr. Kelly is cashier in the office of the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad.

CLAUDE MEEKER is an Ohio man who has accomplished noteworthy work in several contrasted fields. He bears his distinctions very quietly and modestly, but for many years has been regarded as one of Columbus' ablest citizens and business men.

He was born in Columbus, in 1861, and his parents, George W. and Harriet (Hatch) Meeker, were also natives of Ohio. He is a descendant of one of two Meeker brothers who came from England in 1639 and settled at what is now New Haven, Connecticut. His direct ancestor, William Meeker, moved to New Jersey in 1664, purchasing land from the Indians and founding the Town of Elizabeth, where very soon was gathered a colony known as the "Associates." These men and women were refugees from the injustice and tyranny of Governor Carteret. The old home of William Meeker, built in Newark, where he died in 1690, is still standing and owned by his descendants. It was occupied nearly a century later by

Josiah Meeker, who with a large family of sons contributed important service to the patriotic cause in the struggle for independence. The father of Claude Meeker was a Columbus attorney, and was honored with the office of mayor of the city. At the time of his death he had been for some years secretary of the State Democratic Executive Committee.

Claude Meeker acquired his early education in the Columbus public schools, the College of Nebraska, and E. K. Bryan's Business College. From some of his ancestors apparently he inherited a strong literary bent. At the age of eighteen he began his career as a journalist. For some years he was one of the ablest political correspondents in the country. When he was only twenty-one he became editor and part owner of a sprightly and successful weekly. His main forte, however, was the writing of trenchant political articles. He was a contributor to some of the most influential newspapers in the country, including the New York World, Chicago Tribune, Boston Globe, St. Louis Republic, Washington Post and others. It was in Cincinnati that he rose to his highest prominence and did his most effective work as a newspaper writer. He was at various times on the staff of the Enquirer, Post and Times-Star. He was chief political writer for the Enquirer. As a result of the effective work he did in that capacity he was appointed in 1889 private secretary to Governor James E. Campbell, and served in that capacity in 1890-1891. Probably no newspaper man in Ohio did more to build up the forts for democratic principles at that time, and this service was recognized by President Cleveland in 1893 in appointing Mr. Meeker to the important post of American consul at Bradford, England. Bradford at that time was the greatest woolen center in the world and the largest commercial consulate under the United States Government. Mr. Meeker proved a thoroughly responsible and efficient representative of American business interests there, and he enjoyed the sojourn for other reasons as well.

On his return from abroad Mr. Meeker took up his present business, bond and stock brokerage and investment banking. In the intervening years he has built up what is probably the largest business of its kind in the state. Mr. Meeker is quiet and unassuming, with no ambition for public position or leadership. and yet fellow citizens regard him in the front rank of men of affairs and undoubtedly he has contributed and still contributes important service to the general welfare of his home city. His admirable qualities of head and heart, his straightforward relations, have won for him the highest esteem and given him a reputation for integrity and correct conduct such as few achieve.

While he was in England he lived in the heart of the Bronte County of Yorkshire, not far from the birthplace and ancestral home of the famous Bronte sisters. Mr. Meeker all his life has had more than a casual or superficial interest in English literature, and he took this opportunity to acquaint himself with everything connected with this literary shrine. As a result of many visits there he wrote for the Cincinnati Times-Star a series of papers on "Haworth; Home of the Brontes," and had an artist make a number of drawings to illustrate his papers. These papers in 1895, by order of the Bronte Society of Bradford, were published in book form, and were reprinted in 1922 with a preface by Butler Wood, biographical secretary of the Bronte Society. In this preface Mr. Wood highly commends the American's work for its literary charm as well as its historical value.

In spite of the heavy claims of an active business life Mr. Meeker keeps in touch with literary affairs. His beautiful home, Melrose in Bexley, a charming suburb of Columbus, has among other attractions a very fine private library.

July 1, 1890, he married Miss Elizabeth Parks, daughter of Dr. J. M. Parks, who for many years practiced medicine at Hamilton, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Meeker's three children were all born in Yorkshire, England.

Campbell Meeker, the son, was commissioned a lieutenant and during the World war was an expert instructor in bayonet practice at the various training camps. He is now in the stock brokerage business, a member of the New York Stock Exchange.

The older daughter, Marjorie, now the wife of Shirley T. Wing, is a graduate of Bryn Mawr College, and is one of the younger American poets. Her poems have appeared in the Century, North American Review and other high class literary journals.

The younger daughter, Marion, is a graduate of Miss Dow's School, Briar Cliff Manor. She made her debut as a lyric soprano in January, 1923, at an authors' matinee musicale at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York. Critics have estimated her powers as sufficient to put her high in the scale among American musical artists. Marion Meeker was married, February 2, 1924, to Henry Helier, a prominent business man of New York City.

MARCUS GILBERT MILLER. In the ten years he has practiced his profession as architect at Youngstown, Mr. Miller has enjoyed an increasing volume of important business, and has designed and has supervised the construction of a large number of distinctive buildings, both residential and business.

Mr. Miller was born in Mahoning County, May 31, 1890, and represents an old and prominent pioneer family in the county. His grandparents, John and Maria (Lanterman) Miller, were both born in the county, the former at Canfield and the latter at Four Mile Run. Mr. Gilbert is a son of John Marcus and Nettie (Bell) Miller, his mother, a native of West Middlesex, Pennsylvania, while his father was born in a log cabin in Mahoning County.

Marcus Gilbert Miller was educated in the public schools of Girard, Ohio, in the Rayen High School in Youngstown, and attended Hiram College two years. He studied architecture in the University of Illinois, where he pursued the subject four years, graduating in 1914 with the degree Bachelor of Science in Architecture and subsequently returning and taking the Master of Architecture degree. Mr. Miller since 1915 has been busily engaged in his professional work at Youngstown.

He married in August, 1918, Miss Marie Messick, who was born at Bristolville, Ohio, daughter of Dr. Minus and May (Mackey) Messick, of Trumbull County, Ohio. They have one son, McLean, born December 27, 1919. Mr. Miller is a member of the Christian Church, is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Grotto, with Lodge No. 55 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, with the Kiwanis Club and with Sigma Phi college fraternity. Mr. Miller's great-uncle, William Shirk, was with Commodore Perry in the battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812. Mr. Miller is an enthusiastic archæologist and for over twenty years has been collecting relics of aboriginal and prehistoric races in America. He has a collection of about two thousand pieces.

DANIEL BOONE TUCKER is a locksmith by trade, an expert in everything pertaining to locks, whether for a door or a vault, and the sub-title of his business is "D. B. Tucker, the Lawful Burglar."

Mr. Tucker, whose home and place of business has been in Youngstown for a number of years, was born at Milltown, Alabama, August 30, 1884, son of A. E. and Elizabeth (Shims) Tucker. His parents

were born at Helena, Arkansas. Daniel Boone Tucker attended public schools in his native state up to the age of sixteen, then worked in a grocery store, then in a drug store, and at Birmingham, Alabama, had his experience and training in the lock and key business.

In July, 1905, he moved to Youngstown, and was employed in the Ohio Steel Mills until 1906, and then engaged in the locksmith business for himself. Since 1913 his shop has been at 16 North Chestnut Street.

Mr. Tucker married in 1908 Miss Elsie Baldwin, who was born in Moorefield, West Virginia. He is affiliated with the Masonic order and Knights of Pythias.

CLYDE C. HADDEN, now in his third successive term as county surveyor of Lake County, is a civil engineer by profession, a graduate of Ohio State University, and has done a large amount of work in his line both officially and in private practice.

Mr. Hadden was born at Mentor, Lake County, August 13, 1882. Hadden is an English family and was first established in New Jersey. Several generations of the name have lived in Lake County. His grandfather, Charles Hadden, spent all his life in the community of Kirtland in Lake County, where he followed his trade as a wagon maker. He died when comparatively young, in 1858. Charles W. Hadden, father of the county surveyor, was born at Kirtland in 1856, was reared there, was married near Gates Mills in Cuyahoga County, and for a number of years engaged in farming in Lake County. For eight years he owned and operated a meat market at Mentor, and continued in the same business at Richmond, Lake County. He died at Painesville, February 21, 1921. He served fifteen years as a member of the Painesville Township School Board, and was a republican in politics. Charles W. Hadden married Ella Smith, who lives at Richmond, Lake County, and was born near Gates Mills, Cuyahoga County, October 18, 1856. She became the mother of eight children: William E., a conductor with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway living at Dover, Ohio; Herbert S., a building contractor at Detroit, Michigan; Clyde C.; Mabel E., wife of Harold Warner, a garage operator near Richmond; Arlene A., wife of Frank Luse, who is manager of a department in the Gail G. Grant Store at Painesville; Miss Ella M., living with her mother; Dean M., who served two years in the United States Navy during the World war period, and is now an employe of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company, living at Richmond; and Charles D., who was in the artillery, served a year in France, and is now purchasing agent for the Miller Tire Company, with home near Akron.

Clyde C. Hadden acquired his early education in the public schools of Painesville Township, graduated from the Painesville High School in 1901, and in the intervals of other employment he was a student in the Engineering School of Ohio State University from 1903 until 1909, in which year he graduated with the degree Civil Engineer. He was with the engineering department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway for some years, resigning in the fall of 1914 to become associated with the civil engineering firm of Cummings & Downer at Painesville. He became deputy county surveyor of Lake County under Mr. Cummings, serving from 1915 to 1917, and was deputy under C. C. Harris during 1917-18. Mr. Hadden spent one year as an engineer for the Diamond Alkali Company of Painesville. In the fall of 1918 he was elected county surveyor, beginning his official term in September, 1919. He has been twice reelected, and his present term expires in September, 1925.

Mr. Hadden served eight years as a member of the Board of Education of Painesville Township. He is a republican, is affiliated with Temple Lodge No. 28, Free and Accepted Masons, at Painesville, Painesville Chapter No. 46, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is a past high priest, Painesville Council No. 104, Royal and Select Masters, and is a past commander of Eagle Commandery No. 29, Knights Templar, of Painesville. Mr. Hadden is secretary of the building committee of the Lake County Memorial Hospital. He owns some real estate both in Painesville and at Richmond, his home being in the latter village.

On July 1, 1920, at Painesville, Mr. Hadden married Florence McGwinn, daughter of Jerry and Julia (Slitor) McGwinn. Her father was a farmer, and died at Richmond, where her mother is still living.

JOHN J. PUGH. A center and course of much of the intellectual life of Columbus, the Columbus Public Library, has a history of fifty years, and it has been the peculiar distinction of the institution to have had all through the years just two librarians, men of the finest taste in all things connected with library work and books and literature and of close friendship and common ideals.

The present librarian and secretary, John J. Pugh, was born February 29, 1864. His father had been a mining superintendent in Wales, and after coming to Ohio was one of the men who laid out and graded Greenlawn Cemetery at Columbus. John J. Pugh while a boy attending school sold newspapers on the street. He was a youth of just seventeen when, in 1881, after graduation from Columbus Central High School, he went to work in what was then known as the Columbus Public Library. His service with the institution has been continuous for over forty years, making him probably the oldest in library service in the state.

From the establishment of the Columbus Public Library in 1873 the librarian was Rev. James L. Grover until his ninetieth birthday, on December 12, 1896. At that time, in recognition of his valuable service, he was designated librarian emeritus, and continued to keep in close touch with the library until his death, less than a year afterward.

However, for some years Mr. Grover had delegated all the important details and heavy responsibilities upon his youthful friend, advisor and assistant, Mr. Pugh. Their relationship had been so charged with mutual respect and admiration that Mr. Pugh again and again refused to accept the title of librarian, so long as his old friend and mentor could be prevailed upon to remain.

In 1881, the year that Mr. Pugh entered the library service, a single room 30 by 50 feet in the rear of the City Hall was sufficient to contain the library of less than 5,000 volumes and which at that time had very restricted use, even much less than the service of a modern library of proportionate size. On the average the monthly circulation was about 4,000 volumes. In contrast, at the close of 1923 the Columbus Public Library contained 136,000 volumes, with 66,000 patrons, half of them in the juvenile department. During that year the circulation of books was over 500,000. The library is housed in a beautiful structure, built by the assistance of Andrew Carnegie, whose donations aggregated $200,000 for that purpose. The unusual liberality of this gift was largely due to the personal representation made by Mr. Pugh, who has been many times commended for the forceful way in which he explained the local conditions of Columbus, its potential growth and development as a city and its opportunities as a great educational center, and many other factors strengthening the argument that the library should provide all the

varied facilities demanded of it in this community. Several private citizens have also shown interest in the library by endowing alcoves, of which there are a number, named each in honor of the donor.

Mr. Pugh was one of the original thirteen to organize a state library association, whose membership now runs into the hundreds and whose influence is largely reflected in the present liberal laws touching the establishments, maintenance and service of libraries.

The board of trustees of the Columbus Public Library comprise: Fred J. Heer, president; Mrs. John Gordon Battelle, vice president; Edward C. Mills, treasurer; Thomas S. Brooks; Dr. Joseph S. Kornfeld, United States minister at Teheran, Persia (on leave); Dr. Frank Warner and Edgar L. Weinland.

Mr. Pugh was commissioned supervisor of war camp libraries during the World war, instituting Camp Sherman and Camp Sheridan libraries. The Columbus Public Library was the collecting and distributing agency for receipt and shipment of books for war camp libraries for United States and abroad.

Mr. Pugh married, August 22, 1888, Miss Katharine L. Fornoff, a graduate of Central High School. Her death occurred March 5, 1900. Three daughters were born and are still living. They are Elizabeth Louise (Mrs. Herbert Janney Long), Katharine Loving and Mary Helen, all graduates of Ohio State University and members of the Pi Phi Sorority. Mr. Pugh has two grandchildren, John J. Pugh Long and Nancy Elizabeth Long.

Jay Mitchell Crabbs is a graduate civil engineer of the Ohio State University, and for over fifteen years has enjoyed many important responsibilities in the line of his profession at Painesville, where in addition to his practice he is city engineer.

Mr. Crabbs was born near Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio, on a farm, December 29, 1879. The family has lived in that county for three generations, and his grandfather was also born at the old homestead there. The Crabbs family is of remote German origin, the name spelled Krebs by those who first came from Germany to Pennsylvania. The grandfather, Henry Crabbs, spent all his life at the old homestead farm in Jefferson County. He married a Miss McLaughlin, probably of Scotch-Irish ancestry, who was likewise a native of Jefferson County. Robert Mitchell Crabbs, father of the Painesville city engineer, was born in 1835, in Jefferson County, and he established and operated a homestead of his own adjacent to his birthplace, developing an estate of 400 acres of valuable land there. He was one of the prosperous men of that section, and lived there until his death in 1911. He served as a Union soldier in the Civil war, always voted as a republican, and was a staunch supporter and member of the United Presbyterian Church. His wife, Jennie George, was born in Jefferson County, in 1843, and still occupies the old homestead north of Steubenville. She was the mother of seven children. Laura, the oldest, is the wife of Jesse Walker, a dentist at Vergholz, Ohio. Frances married John George, a banker at Vergholz. The third child, Floy, died when eighteen years old. Ed is a lumber inspector for the Carnegie Steel Company at Pittsburgh. Jay Mitchell is the next in age. Earl operates the old homestead farm, and Harold lives at Canton, Ohio, and is a salesman for the Greber Coal Company.

Jay Mitchell Crabbs attended the rural schools in Jefferson County, also worked on the farm, and when he left home at the age of eighteen he found an opportunity to gain some practical knowledge of surveying with a party of surveyors working for a coal company in West Virginia. After a year with this party he did work with the engineering department of the Norfolk & Western Railroad, with headquarters at Tazewell, Virginia, for a year. Having thus had considerable experience in field work, he entered Ohio State University, taking the full four-year course in engineering. He graduated with the Civil Engineering degree in 1907, and in the same year moved to Painesville. For three years he was associated in a general civil engineering practice with J. C. Ward, following which he spent four years as constructing engineer for the Diamond Alkali Works at Painesville. Since then he has had an office of his own and has done an extensive general civil engineering practice. Since 1915 he has also held the post of city engineer, and has been the technical man in charge of a number of city improvements, particularly a sewerage proposition involving 5,000 acres of land in Lake County. His private offices are at the corner of Richmond Street and Mentor Avenue, while he also has an office in the City Hall.

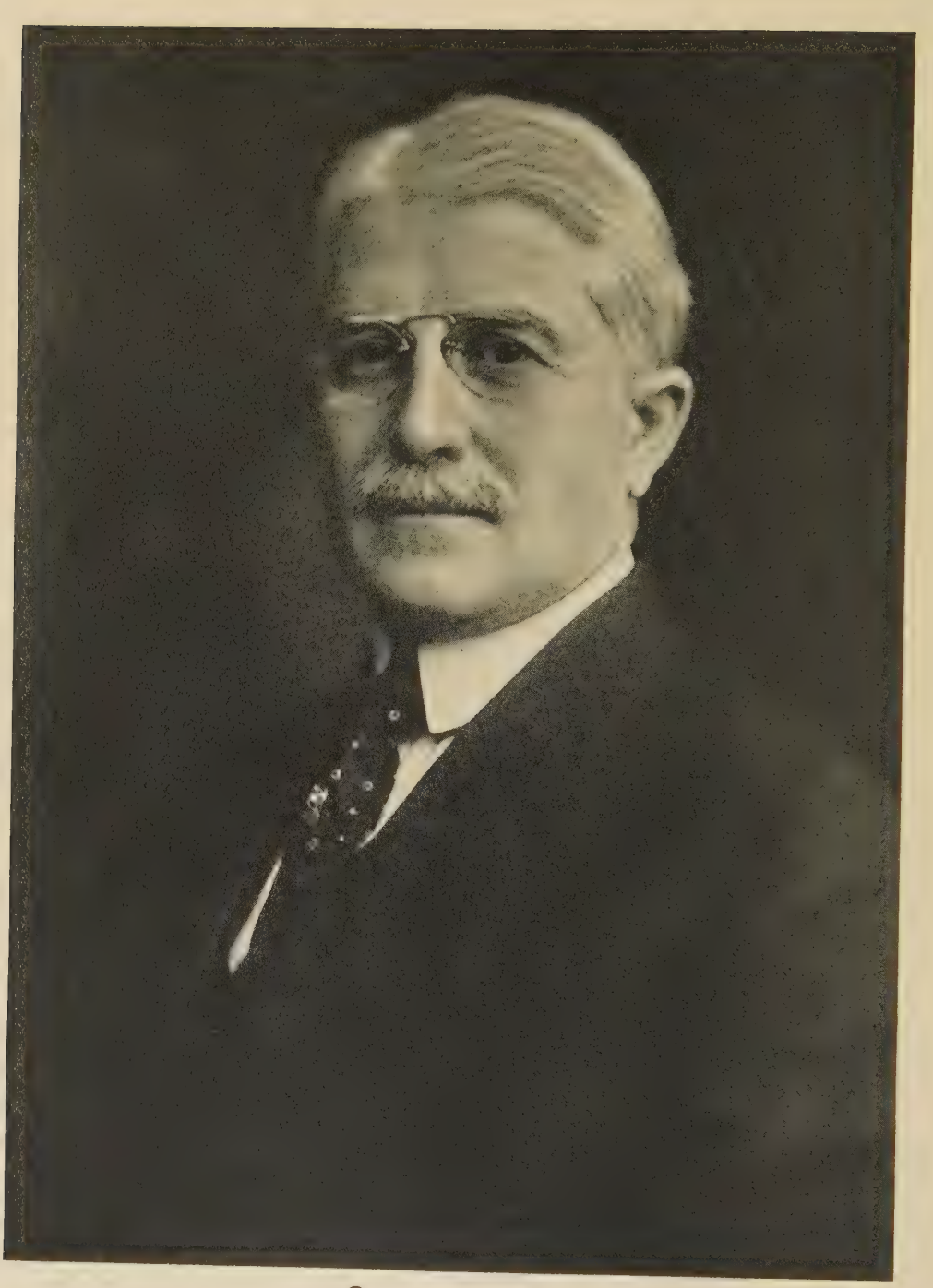
Mr. Crabbs is a republican, is a member of the First Church, Congregational, and trustee of the church property, belongs to the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, the Painesville Kiwanis Club, and the Civil Engineering Society, the Triangle. Other interests in Lake County include his fine home built in 1923 on Levan Drive, and also three and one-half acres in Painesville Township, on Mentor Avenue, and other real estate in the Mentor Headlands allotment.

On November 9, 1911, at Painesville, Mr. Crabbs married Miss Florence Phillips, daughter of Rev. T. F. and Missouri B. Phillips, the latter living at Painesville. Her father, who died in that city in 1921, was a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Crabbs is a Bachelor of Arts, graduated from Allegheny College at Meadville, Pennsylvania. They have one son, Robert Mitchell Crabbs, born September 23, 1913.

Franklin Paul Geiger is superintendent of the city schools of East Liverpool, Columbiana County. Outside of the larger cities this is one of the most important educational units in Ohio. Under Superintendent Geiger are twenty schools, a staff of 150 teachers, with a total scholarship enrollment of 5,000, there being 700 enrolled in high school. For a position of such responsibility Mr. Geiger has qualifications based upon long and successful experience and notable leadership in educational circles.

He was born on a farm at Malvern in Carroll County, Ohio, January 25, 1870. His grandfather, John Paul Geiger, a native of Germany, was four years of age when brought to America, his parents settling near Malvern, Ohio, and improving a farm in pioneer days. John Paul Geiger married Magdalena Snyder, a native of Ohio, and both of them died near Malvern. Their son John Jacob Geiger, was born at Malvern in February, 1846, and spent all his life in that community. He was a substantial farmer, an active worker in the Reformed Church, and a republican in politics. He died in September, 1921. His wife, Mary Schory, was born near Malvern, but over the line in Stark County, December 4, 1848, and still occupies the old homestead. Franklin Paul is the oldest of six children. Edwin C. is a farmer at Malvern. Anna S. died at the age of thirty-three. William H. is superintendent of schools at Lisbon, Ohio. Mary Edna married Herbert Weaver, who is connected with the Timken Works at Canton. John Quinton, the youngest child, operates the old homestead farm.

Franklin Paul Geiger was a boy on the farm during his early years, attending rural schools in Carroll County, the Malvern High School and graduated from the normal department of Mount Union



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College at Alliance with the class of 1892. In 1894 he received the degree Bachelor of Science from the commercial department of Mount Union, and in the same year the Bachelor of Arts degree after completing the regular collegiate course. In a career of thirty years as a teacher and school administrator Mr. Geiger has been constantly at work and study in preparation for larger responsibilities. He took post-graduate work and received the Master of Arts degree from Mount Union College in 1912. During 1910-12 he attended the Teachers College of Harvard University, and in 1918 Ohio University awarded him the honorary degree Doctor of Pedagogy. He is a member of the college fraternity Alpha Tau Omega.

A brief outline of his larger responsibilities as an educator is as follows: Principal of the high school at Carrollton, one year; teacher in the Lancaster High School; in the fall of 1897 became principal of the high school at Canal Dover, Ohio, serving in that capacity five years, and was the superintendent of the city schools there until 1917. He became superintendent of schools at East Liverpool in 1917.

Doctor Geiger also served as a member of the Ohio State Board of School Examiners from 1915 to 1920. He was president in 1921 of the Ohio State Teachers' Association and is a member of the National Educational Association. He is a republican, is affiliated with Tubal Lodge No. 551, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Minerva, Tuscarawas Chapter No. 38, Royal Arch Masons, at New Philadelphia, Massillon Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar, Lake Erie Consistory of the Valley of Cleveland in the Scottish Rite, Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland, was president of the East Liverpool Shrine Club from 1920 to 1923, and is a past patron of Tuscarawas Chapter No. 164 of the Eastern Star at Dover. He is also past chancellor of Dover Lodge No. 168, Knights of Pythias, and past exalted ruler of Dover Lodge No. 975, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of East Liverpool. During the World war he accomplished much patriotic work through the schools, assisting in all the drives for funds, and being a four-minute speaker at patriotic gatherings over Columbiana County. He is a member of the East Liverpool Chamber of Commerce and the East Liverpool Rotary Club.

On June 17, 1896, at Canton, Mr. Geiger married Miss Electa V. McConkey, daughter of Dr. William J. and Sarah (Blythe) McConkey. Her parents are now deceased. Her father was a very able and highly esteemed physician at Canton. Mrs. Geiger finished her education in Mount Union College. To their marriage were born two children. The son, Wendell Wellington, was a graduate of the Dover High School and died June 1, 1920, at the age of twenty-two years. The daughter, Hazel Rowena, is a senior in Western Reserve University at Cleveland.

Charles Danford Groves has been engaged in educational work in his native state of Ohio for half his lifetime. He has taught country, graded and town schools, and for some years has filled the important post of superintendent of schools of Ashtabula County.

Mr. Groves was born in Quaker City, Guernsey County, Ohio, June 19, 1889. His grandfather, Lewis Groves, was a native of Noble County, and lived there all his life, engaged in farming. He died at Summerfield in that county. His wife was Anna Danford, also a native of Noble County. Julius R. Groves, father of the Ashtabula County school superintendent, was born in 1863 near Summerfield, Noble County, and is still living there, successfully engaged in live stock dealing. He is a republican, and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife, Minnie R. Eagon, was born in 1865 at Quaker City, Guernsey County, where her first child, Charles D., was also born. There are two other children: Pearl Mae, wife of Dempsey Hannahs, a railroad worker at Summerfield, and Herbert L., with his parents.

Charles Danford Groves attended the public schools of Noble County, took his high school work at Caldwell, is a graduate of Scio Academy at Scio, and spent four years in old Scio College. For one year he was a student in Ohio University at Athens, and he has the Bachelor of Arts degree from Mount Union College at Alliance. During the summers of 1922 and 1923 he was a student at Columbia University in New York, doing post-graduate work toward his Master of Arts degree. His higher education was acquired in the intervals of his work as a teacher. When he was seventeen he taught his first term of county school in Noble County. He was in rural school work two years, was principal of the school at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, one year, and began his work in Ashtabula County as superintendent of schools at Orwell, where he remained from 1910 to 1914. From 1914 to 1920 Mr. Groves was district superintendent of schools of the county, and in February, 1920, was elected county superintendent to fill an unexpired term. He took office February 15, and in May, 1921, was elected for the full term, which began August 1, 1921. His offices are in the courthouse at Jefferson. The extent of his responsibilities are measured by the fact that he has under his supervision a total of 103 schools, 240 teachers and a scholarship enrollment of eight thousand.

Mr. Groves is a progressive school man, and is an interested participant in the work of the Northeastern Ohio, Ashtabula County and Ohio State Teachers' associations and the National Educational Association. Fraternally he is a member of the Masonic fraternity and of Orwell Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is a republican in politics, and a member of the Official Board of the Jefferson Methodist Episcopal Church. He owns a good home on East Ashtabula Street in Jefferson.

Mr. Groves married at Jefferson, June 4, 1913, Miss Coral Congdon, daughter of Fred and Adelle (Green) Congdon, residents of Orwell, where her father is a merchant. Mrs. Groves is a finished musician, having studied music in the Dana Institute at Warren, Ohio. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Groves are: Enid Evelyn, born April 18, 1914, and Doris May, born January 11, 1916.

George Matthew Verity is president of the American Rolling Mill Company at Middletown, Butler County, and has been for more than twenty years the active manager of the business. Here was the opportunity and here the man whose potentiality measured up to the full requirements of that opportunity. Mr. Verity has made in this field of industrialism a record of large and worthy achievements, and his influence has been one of cumulative progressiveness. Here has been his constructive stewardship in the development and upbuilding of a great industrial enterprise, and his success is the more pleasing to note by reason of his being a native son of the old Buckeye State.

Mr. Verity was born at East Liberty, Logan County, Ohio, April 22, 1865, and is a son of Jonathan and Mary Ann (Deaton) Verity, who were sterling citizens of the state in which their son now stands forth as a representative captain of industry. After his graduation from high school at Georgetown George M. Verity completed a course in the Nelson Commercial College, in the city of Cincinnati, and there, in 1886, he became manager of

the W. C. Standish Wholesale Grocery Company. In 1889, at the age of twenty-three years, he there assumed the responsible position of manager of the Sagendorf Iron Roofing & Corrugating Company, and when this corporation was reorganized, in 1891, under the title of the American Steel Roofing Company, he became vice president and manager. In 1899 the concern was absorbed by the American Rolling Mill Company of Middletown, and since December 20th of that year Mr. Verity has been the president of this corporation. It is not necessary to attempt an analysis of his career of consecutive advancement, for the work he has done is sufficiently shadowed forth in the foregoing statements relative to his activities. The following estimate, however, is worthy of preservation in this connection: "The rise of this company to a commanding place in the steel industry of the United States may be considered a direct result of the genius of its president for successful management in large affairs, and his ability to secure the cooperation of the many other individuals and interests necessary to such success."

Believing that cooperation is the foundation of success in all human endeavor, whether industrial or civic, Mr. Verity has given much of his time and effort toward building up a community spirit in the advancement of which all can work and contribute proportionately and unselfishly. In this respect, no less than in the management of a large industry, Mr. Verity has won national recognition. Under his sponsorship the Middletown Civic Association was organized, representing seventeen different civic agencies, including Red Cross, Home Health, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Hospitals, etc., all responsible to one management, carrying on the work of the 4,450 contributing members, which make up one of the largest and most active organizations of the kind in the world. Mr. Verity is president of the association. So successful has been the work of the association and so far-reaching its influence that other communities point to Middletown as the place where industry and community work hand in hand for the advancement of those things which make for happiness, prosperity and stability.

Mr. Verity is a director of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; the Fifth-Third National Bank of Cincinnati; the Cincinnati Rubber Manufacturing Company; the First and Merchants National Bank of Middletown; and is a member of the American Iron & Steel Institute. He served in 1897-98 as president of the Business Men's Club of Cincinnati, and as a member of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce and the Middletown Chamber of Commerce he has given loyal aid in advancing the progressive policies of both of these organizations. In the World war period Mr. Verity was chairman of the Minute Men of the Middletown Chamber of Commerce, which did splendid service in furthering all patriotic service and enterprise in Middletown and Butler County, Mr. Verity having been in active charge of the local campaigns in support of the Government war loans, Red Cross work, etc.

The political allegiance of Mr. Verity is given unreservedly to the republican party. He and his wife hold membership in the Presbyterian Church, and he is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. He holds a membership in the Ohio Society of New York, where also he is a member of the Rocky Mountain and the Railroad Clubs; he is a member of the Dayton Country Club, Dayton, Ohio, and the Duquesne Club of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; at Cincinnati he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Business Men's Club, the Maketewah Country Club, the Cincinnati Golf Club, and the Queen City Club.

October 19, 1887, recorded the marriage of Mr. Verity and Miss Jennie M. Standish, of Newport, Kentucky, and they have three children: Calvin W. Verity, Mrs. Charles R. Hook and Mrs. Sara V. Ebersole.

JOHN F. WINKELMAN. Probably no city in the State of Ohio has more perfect school facilities, equipment and personnel of teaching staff than Middletown. One of the principals of the schools there is John F. Winkelman, of the North Public School, a man who has made his distinctive mark in Ohio educational affairs.

He was born at West Alexander, Ohio, June 2, 1885, son of John and Sarah (Hoops) Winkelman. As a boy he attended the grammar and high schools of West Alexander, and subsequently pursued the course leading up to the degree Bachelor of Science in Education at Miami University at Oxford. Mr. Winkelman has had a general range of experience in teaching, beginning in rural schools in Preble County. He served as superintendent of schools at West Alexander. While in Preble County he organized the County Athletic Association, serving as its president two years. This association brought together each spring every school in the county for athletic contests. Mr. Winkelman has been identified with the public schools of Middletown since 1922, at first as principal of the City High School and since 1923 as principal of the North School, where he has a staff of eight teachers and an enrollment of 206 pupils. The North High School has a special department for scholars with defective eyesight. This department is supplied with every modern equipment and facility to enable the pupil to overcome, so far as possible, the handicap of poor eyesight. All children with defective eyes in Middletown are enrolled in this department. The member of Mr. Winkelman's staff in charge of the department is Miss Ruth Marshall, a graduate of the Middletown High School, and who has done special work in Miami University at Oxford.

Mr. Winkelman is a member of the Southwestern Teachers' Association and the Ohio State Teachers' Association. His special study has been the subject of English and history, but perhaps his most distinctive work has been in organized play and athletics. He is affiliated with the Masonic order and the Knights of Pythias at West Alexander. During 1917-18, while he was a student in Miami University, he was enrolled in the Students Army Training Corps and received the drilling and military instruction provided in that training unit of the national team of defense.

Mr. Winkelman married Miss Hazel Ozias, of Lewisburg, Ohio, daughter of Elbert and Ella (Moots) Ozias. She was educated in the grammar and high schools of West Alexander. They have four children, Mildred, born in 1909, Richard, born in 1911, Marjory, born in 1916, and Juanita, born in 1919.

WESLEY OVIATT HOLLISTER, though a native of Connecticut, represents on his mother's side one of the pioneer families of the Ohio Western Reserve. His career has actively identified him with the science of horticulture, and he is a well known entomologist, now connected with the school and scientific service organizations founded by the great tree surgeon, John Davey, of Kent.

Mr. Hollister was born at Washington, Connecticut, April 24, 1886, son of John Burr and Hattie (Northrup) Hollister. His mother was born at Medina, Ohio, and her grandfather Northrup, a native of Connecticut, was one of the earliest settlers

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near Medina, driving overland from Connecticut with wagons and ox teams. This was a pioneer journey of six weeks. John Burr Hollister was born in Connecticut, and at the age of twenty came to Medina, Ohio. He married here, and subsequently returned to Connecticut and is now living on his farm at Washington. His wife died in 1900.

Wesley Oviatt Hollister attended public schools in Connecticut, the Mount Hermon Preparatory School, Mount Hermon, Massachusetts, and the Connecticut College of Agriculture at Storrs, where he was graduated Bachelor of Science in 1909. Removing to Detroit, Michigan, Mr. Hollister was research entomologist with the Parke, Davis Drug Company from 1911 until 1913. In the latter year he came to Kent, Ohio, as entomologist with the Davey Tree Expert Company, and is also an instructor in the Davey Institute of Tree Surgery. During 1918-19 he was doing special work for the United States Bureau of Entomology at Lafayette, Indiana.

Mr. Hollister is one of Kent's most progressive citizens. He was mayor of that city in 1922-23 and was reelected for a second term in 1924. He served as president of the Chamber of Commerce in 1921, and was elected to that position again in 1923. He is a democrat and was reared in the Congregational Church. He is a member of Rockton Lodge No. 316, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and Kent Lodge No. 1377, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

On October 1, 1912, he married Miss Ellora Mix, a native of Stafford Springs, Connecticut, and daughter of J. Allen and Myra (Cheney) Mix. Mr. and Mrs. Hollister have two children, Nancy Northrup, born in 1914, and Gerald Allan, born in 1916.

Robert W. Miller, M. D. A graduate of medical college in 1902, Doctor Miller since that year has been in practice at Hemlock in Perry County. His skill as a surgeon has brought him more than a local reputation, and by private study and by association whenever possible with the eminent men in his calling, he is unusually well qualified in the resources now at the command of modern surgery.

Doctor Miller was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, December 6, 1876, son of James and Jane (Williamson) Miller. His parents came to the United States in 1879, first locating at Leetonia, Columbiana County, Ohio, and a year later moving to Corning in Perry County, which became the permanent family home. James Miller, who died in 1920, was a coal miner, and after moving to Perry County he was in the service of the Sunday Creek Coal Company. He lost his wife in the great flood of 1913, while she was visiting the Carney family in Columbus. She was drowned. They had three sons, Dr. James Miller, Dr. Robert W. Miller, and David Miller. The latter is in business at Corning. The mother of these children was a leader in religious movements and became one of the organizers of the first Sunday School at Corning. She was a devout Presbyterian.

Robert W. Miller attended school at Corning, also at Buckingham, and the Normal at Shawnee, conducted by Prof. C. W. Cookson. For three years he was engaged in teaching. His mother's advice was for him to become an attorney. But at that time his brother James was studying medicine at Georgetown University, near Washington, and Robert W. Miller decided to prepare for the same profession. However, he was educated in what is now the College of Medicine and Surgery of the University of Illinois, at Chicago, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1902. He had to earn nearly all the money needed to secure his education and had become self supporting when a boy. He worked as a trapper, mule driver and coal loader in the coal mines, and his first wages were 75 cents a day. Early in his practice at Hemlock, though it has always been of a general nature, he began specializing in surgery, and the important surgical cases in that community are almost invariably handled by him. After he had been in practice for several years he returned to Chicago, in 1910, and took special work in surgery in the Post Graduate School of Medicine. He had served his interneship in Chicago at the Baptist Hospital.

Doctor Miller volunteered for active service during the World war, but was not called. He and his brother did a great deal of work outside of their regular practice at the time of the war. Doctor Miller was elected and against his protest served four years on the local school board.

He married in 1904 Miss Gladys McCoy, daughter of John McCoy, of Athens. They have two children: Thelma, a graduate of the Athens High School and now a student of music in Ohio University; and Autherine, who is attending high school. Mrs. Miller is a member of the Methodist Church. The Doctor belongs to the Perry County Medical Society, the Ohio State and American Medical associations, is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at Corning and the Knights Templar Commandery at New Lexington, and also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at New Lexington.

Edison Barrett Young. While growing up on his father's farm in Athens County Edison Barrett Young found railroading exercising a strong fascination over him, and as soon as possible he went to work for a railroad company and has kept as closely to railroading as possible through the years of his mature life. He has served his time as an operating man in railroading, and for a number of years has been a railroad owner and operator. He is president of the Hocking-Sunday Creek Traction Company, a company organized in 1909 and which built and operates a traction line from Athens to Nelsonville, with tracks and side tracks to fifteen mines along the route. This little system connects with the Hocking Valley Railroad. Mr. Young was one of the prime movers in this great undertaking, which has meant so much in completing the transportation interests of a rich and populous mining district.

Mr. Young was born on his father's farm in Waterloo Township, near Marshfield, Athens County, August 29, 1869, son of John and Almeda J. (Dowler) Young. His mother was born in 1847 and died in 1917. His father, who also died in 1917, was born in Waterloo Township in 1836. Alexander Young, grandfather of Edison B. Young, owned a farm in Waterloo Township, and was a noted artificer in steel and iron in the early days of this community. He had a forge on his farm, and from his shop supplied many of the axes and other farm tools used. John Young, with his brothers, Aaron and Alexander, volunteered for service in the One Hundred Sixteenth Ohio Infantry, and fought all through the Civil war. He was a non-commissioned officer, and was wounded at the battle of Cedar Creek when a spent ball hit him on the instep. He finished his education in Atwood Institute at Albany, Athens County, and having saved his army pay he used it to purchase fifty acres in Waterloo Township. On this he started an orchard, and was one of the pioneers in growing fruit in this county. Eventually he was the owner of 800 acres and was one of the prosperous farmers and business men of the county. He was a sheep grower until the destructive inroads of dogs made that industry unprofitable, after which he became a cattle raiser. He was active in local affairs, was a democrat, and a liberal supporter of church organizations. His wife was a devout Methodist. They were the parents of three children: Edison B.; T. L., who graduated from Ohio University in 1895 and is an electrician, now superin-

tendent of the water works at Chester, West Virginia; and Mrs. L. W. Goodin, who with her husband occupies the old homestead in Waterloo Township.

Edison Barrett Young was reared on the farm, attended the district schools, and his first employment in the railroad service was as water boy when he was seventeen years of age. He was with a gang of men doing construction work for the Ohio Central Railway. Various promotions occurred during his work in the operating branch. He was brakeman, baggageman, express messenger, conductor on both freight and passenger trains for the Kanawha and Michigan and the Toledo & Ohio Central Railways, and was a member of the Bucyrus division No. 163 Order of Railway Conductors. For several years he lived in Columbus. He also did construction work in West Virginia. Eventually, as above noted, he took an active part in organizing, financing, building and operating the traction line of which he is now president. For nearly thirty years he has also been a dealer in real estate, especially handling leases on coal lands. He is one of the promoters and the first president of the Hocking Power Company, a great corporation that now supplies power, light and heat in territory extending from Toledo to the Ohio River.

In 1985 Mr. Young married Miss Addie C. Baker, who at the time of their marriage was telegraph operator and cashier for the Kanawha & Michigan Railroad at Athens, Ohio. She is a daughter of E. E. and Clara E. (Morrison) Baker, of Point Pleasant, West Virginia. They are the parents of four children. The son Baker is taking the classical course in Ohio University; Barrett is in the first year at Ohio University; Kelvin is a student in the Athens High School; and Iris, whose birthday is the 29th of August, the same as her father's, is attending the high school at Athens. The family are Presbyterians. Mr. Young was for several years a member of the Board of Directors of the Marshfield Bank. A democrat in politics, he was nominated by the democratic voters at the primaries held in August, 1924, for state senator in the Ninth and Fourteenth districts, comprising Fairfield, Hocking, Athens, Washington, Morgan and parts of Noble and Monroe counties. His business offices are at Nelsonville.

THOMAS MARTIN POTTER, former prosecuting attorney of Perry County, has practiced law in that section of Ohio for over thirty years. He has had a general practice, but much of his time has been taken up with business organizations, and for a number of years he has been a dealer in oil and coal lands.

Mr. Potter was born on a farm in Monroe Township of Perry County, September 27, 1868, son of George H. and Alcedina Potter. Mr. Potter is a few years younger than Judge Maurice H. Donahue, who was born and reared in the same locality of Perry County, and has since climbed to the supreme bench of Ohio and is now judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals of Columbus. The Potter family came from Pennsylvania and prior to 1840 settled in the backwoods of Monroe Township. George H. Potter, who was born in Monroe Township, was a Union soldier in the Civil war, first serving a six months' term of enlistment and afterward joining the One Hundred Twenty-second Ohio Infantry, Sixth Corps. He participated in thirteen battles, including Winchester and other engagements in the Shenandoah Valley. After the war he farmed his father's old place, but for the last ten years of his life lived in Corning, his farm being a mile and a half west of that town. He held various local offices, including township trustee, was a pronounced republican and a member of the Methodist Church. George H. Potter died in January, 1918, aged eighty years, seven months and sixteen days, and his wife, who was born in Salt Lick Township of Perry County, died in 1911, at the age of sixty-four. They had three children: Thomas M., Estelle, wife of Arthur A. Campbell, of Athens County, Ohio, and Lola, wife of William Yeager, of Corning.

Thomas M. Potter attended country schools, walking a mile and a half from home to the school house. After school and during holidays and vacations he worked on the home farm until he was seventeen. He also attended the Corning High School, and for six years he earned and paid his way as a school teacher in Monroe Township. The first year his wages were $100 for four months' term of school. He took up the study of law with his former neighbor, Maurice H. Donahue, at New Lexington, and at the present time he occupies an office in New Lexington, formerly occupied by this distinguished Ohio jurist. Mr. Potter was admitted to the bar in 1893, and for twenty years carried on a successful practice at Corning. In 1912 he was elected prosecuting attorney, and filled that office from January 1, 1913, to 1917. Since 1913 his home has been at New Lexington. Both as an attorney and stockholder Mr. Potter has had much to do with the organization and management of oil and coal companies. He assisted in 1905 in organizing the Perry County Telephone Company, and has since acted as secretary and treasurer of that corporation.

On July 14, 1894, he married Miss Katherine M. Chilson. Her father, Dr. William Chilson, died a month before her birth. Her mother was Sarah Chilson. Mrs. Potter died in March, 1921, the mother of two children. The daughter Sarah K., who finished a domestic science course in the Thomas Normal Training School at Detroit, is the wife of Howard Nelson, assistant credit man for the Minnesota Steel and Iron Company at St. Paul, Minnesota. The second daughter, Miss Mabel M., is a student in Ohio State University.

Mr. Potter is a Knight Templar Mason, has filled chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Methodist Church. He is president of the local Automobile Club, and has been an enthusiastic motorist from the introduction of the first practical car. He owned one of the first automobiles in Perry County. Naturally he has been one of the leading good road boosters in this section of Ohio.

DAVID W. JACOT, principal of the Lincoln Public School at Middletown, is an educator who has developed a concrete application of one of the most important ideas in modern education. He has been responsible for making an essential part of school work what is known as "organized play," and the success he has had with this feature in his own schools has given the idea a vitality that has secured its incorporation into the school program of hundreds of communities in and outside of Ohio.

Mr. Jacot was born at Shreve, Ohio, June 24, 1884, son of Julius and Sophia (Rickenbacker) Jacot. His mother is a cousin of Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker, the great American ace of aviation.

David W. Jacot has acquired a liberal education in institutions and through his own extended experience in school work. He attended the grammar and high schools of Apple Creek, Ohio, the Ohio Northern University at Ada, from which he received a teacher's diploma, Wooster College at Wooster, Ohio, and he is a member of the Southwest Teachers' Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association.

He did his first teaching in the public schools of Wayne County, Ohio, was principal of the Junior High School at Wooster, was principal of the Junior

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High School at Fostoria, Ohio, but it was as principal of the Maplewood Public School of Connersville, Indiana, and superintendent of public playgrounds in that city that his work first attracted more than local attention. He was at Connersville for eight years. At Connersville he developed a practical plan based on the idea of "Organized Play" for children, starting there with one playground, donated by E. D. Hawkins. Before he left he had three playgrounds, with a daily attendance of children of over six hundred. In the schoolroom and on the playground he developed all sides and phases of a balanced mental and physical education. Since coming to Middletown he has inaugurated a similar system of play in the public schools, and has been made physical director of public school playgrounds here. Mr. Jacot came to Middletown as principal of the North Public School in 1922, and since 1923 has been principal of the Lincoln School. He has under him a staff of eleven teachers and 350 pupils in the Lincoln School.

Through his organized play he continues his educational work through the months of May, June, September and October, introducing competitive games, group games, drills, traveling parties, nature study, story telling, community meets and socials, stunts, dramatizing, basketry, football, park ball, newcomb ball, captain ball, relay contests, and Saturday hikes to study birds and their habits, trees and other phases of nature. Mr. Jacot has originated many games suitable for meetings where a great number of both children and older persons come together. Through his system in the schools every child is playing some game and usually a different game every day.

Mr. Jacot is a Royal Arch Mason. He married Miss Bernice Guernsey at Fostoria, Ohio, in August, 1915. She is a daughter of Charles and Minnie (Brown) Guernsey, her father being a prominent attorney at Fostoria. Mrs. Jacot is a graduate of the Fostoria High School and of the University of Michigan, and for eight years was a teacher in the public schools at Fostoria. Mr. and Mrs. Jacot have two children, Marion Ethel, born in 1917, and Minor Ruth, born in 1921.

Samuel Lewis West, M. D., has been engaged in the practice of his profession at St. Clairsville, Belmont County, for somewhat more than forty years, and is distinctly one of the representative physicians and surgeons of his native county, even as had been his father in earlier years.

Doctor West was born at St. Clairsville, judicial center of Belmont County, on the 23d of February, 1863, and here his professional career has been one of able and loyal service in behalf of his fellow men. He is a son of Dr. Henry and Agnes (Parker) West, the former of whom was born at Scotts Ridge, Harrison County, Ohio, April 8, 1810, a representative of one of the sterling pioneer families of that county, and the latter of whom was born in Ireland, she having been thirteen years of age at the time when her parents established their home in Belmont County, where she passed the remainder of her life. Mrs. West, the second wife of Dr. Henry West, died in the year 1866, and of her five children Dr. Samuel L., of this review, was the second in order of birth.

Dr. Henry West received his early education in the pioneer schools of Ohio, and he prepared himself thoroughly for the work of his chosen profession. After his graduation from the Ohio Medical College he engaged in the practice of his profession at Bridgeport, Belmont County, in 1835. He served two terms as representative of Belmont County in the Ohio Legislature, 1838-40, and he continued to be aligned in the ranks of the democratic party until the inception of the Civil war, when he transferred his allegiance to the republican party, which he looked upon as best representing the interests of the nation in that critical period. He served as surgeon of the Ninety-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and did well his part in the great struggle by which the integrity of the Union was preserved. After the war he continued active and influential in the local ranks of the republican party, and he served as a member of the State Senate in 1865-66. The Doctor eventually moved with his family to St. Clairsville, and here he built up a large and representative practice as a physician and surgeon, besides conducting a drug store. He was a leading member of the Belmont County Medical Society, and was affiliated also with the Ohio State Medical Society, as was he likewise with the Grand Army of the Republic. A man of noble character and fine professional stewardship, he ever commanded unqualified popular confidence and respect, and his civic loyalty found manifold avenues for effective expression. He was thrice married and became the father of eighteen children. This venerable and honored physician and loved citizen continued to reside at St. Clairsville until his death, which occurred June 30, 1887. He was an earnest member of the Presbyterian Church.

In the public schools of St. Clairsville Dr. Samuel L. West pursued his studies until he had duly followed out the curriculum of the high school, and thereafter he clerked six years in his father's drug store, where he became a skilled pharmacist. Finally he entered Ohio Medical College, his father's alma mater, which now constitutes the medical department of the University of Ohio, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1883. He became associated with his father in practice at St. Clairsville, and was the virtual successor of his father, whose death occurred about five years later. Here he has continued in active general practice during the long intervening years, unselfish and faithful in service and ever ready to respond to the call of distress. His practice is now largely of office character, but his presence is required frequently in the many homes in which he has long ministered in his profession. The doctor is one of the veteran members of the Belmont County Medical Society, of which he has served as president, and he holds membership also in the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a director of the Second National Bank of St. Clairsville, and has been a member of the local Board of Education since 1912, he being now its president. He is vice president of the Public Health Board of Belmont County, is a stalwart in the ranks of the republican party, and he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias. In the World war period Doctor West served as a member of the Draft Board of Belmont County, besides volunteering for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. He and his wife hold membership in the Presbyterian Church.

July 18, 1902, recorded the marriage of Doctor West and Miss Lulu H. Hutt, daughter of Peru and Mary E. (Givens) Hutt, of Waverly, Pike County, where Mr. Hutt is engaged in the drug business. Mrs. West was graduated from the department of pharmacy at Ohio Northern University, in the Village of Ada. Doctor and Mrs. West have two sons, Henry Hutt and Lewis Parker.

Joseph B. Davis. Located in the Hocking Valley, a mile below the City of Nelsonville, is the stock breeding farm whose fine saddle horses have gained a national reputation. The owner of this farm is Joseph B. Davis, who has lived there practically all his life and has made a success of other interests as well. He is president of the Highland Coal Company

of Nelsonville, and was formerly secretary and treasurer of the Woodland Coal Company.

Mr. Davis was born in Nelsonville, September 3, 1885, son of Edward and Elizabeth (Bean) Davis. His father was born at the old Davis homestead where the Greenlawn Cemetery is now located. He spent the early part of his life as a farmer and stock man, and for a number of years was an active business man in Nelsonville. He was holding the office of city marshal and was in the performance of his official duty when he was killed. He died when his son Joseph was an infant. He was a member of the Masonic Order. His only children were Joseph B. and Velma. The latter died when seven years old. The mother, Elizabeth Bean Davis, now resides on the farm. Her father, O. W. Bean, was a prominent citizen of Athens County, and died in 1914.

Joseph B. Davis grew up on his grandfather Bean's farm, which was noted for its fertility, much of it as fine soil as can be found in this section of Ohio. Under the management of Joseph B. Davis the farm has been thoroughly modernized and given a building equipment suited for the high class live stock interests represented there. His grandfather Bean was for many years engaged in live stock dealing and shipping.

Joseph B. Davis was educated in the Nelsonville High School and Ohio University at Athens, leaving school at the age of twenty. For several years he bought cattle for the Columbus Packing Company, but has found his chief profit and pleasure in the breeding of high grade saddle horses. Recently he sold a saddle horse to the president of the Carnation Milk Company, and has sold blue ribbon winners to people from coast to coast. He has many other horses of this type, and his animals have won many medals in exhibitions.

Mr. Davis married Miss Garnet O. Six, daughter of William and Ella Six, of Nelsonville. She died in 1913, leaving one daughter, Elizabeth Ellen, and a son, Oliver William. In 1916 Mr. Davis married Eva I. Power, daughter of Twibill and Mary Power. Mrs. Davis is a graduate of Ohio University, and was a teacher in the Nelsonville High School before her marriage. She is a Methodist. Mr. Davis is a Phi Delta Theta and a member of the Elks fraternity.

William Oliver Semans, Doctor of Dental Surgery, is one of the advanced men in his profession. He has had a busy professional career at Delaware since coming out of the army. Doctor Semans was with the famous Rainbow Division, his principal command being the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry, and he was overseas nearly two years.

Doctor Semans was born at Delaware, June 30, 1892, son of Dr. W. M. and Jessie (Freeman) Semans and a grandson of William Oliver and Abigail Semans and Edwin Freeman. The late Dr. W. M. Semans was one of the very able physicians of Delaware, and was one of the most prominent Masons in the state. He attained the supreme honorary thirty-third degree in Scottish Rite Masonry, and filled numerous offices in the various bodies. For twenty-two years it is said he never missed a Masonic meeting. The mother, Mrs. Jessie Freeman Semans is still living in Delaware.

William Oliver Semans was educated in the grammar and high schools of Delaware, graduated Bachelor of Arts from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1914, and did his professional work in Ohio State University, where he was graduated Doctor of Dentistry in 1917. On July 11, 1917, Doctor Semans was enrolled in the hospital unit organized by Col. Doctor Lloyd Miller at Delaware. However, from this organization he was transferred to the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry in the Rainbow Division, being commissioned first lieutenant. For a week he was at Camp Perry, another week at Camp Mills, and on October 16, 1917, sailed from Hoboken to France, landing at St. Nazaire. For six weeks he and his command were in training at Commercy, and from January 1 to February 18, 1918, at Haut Marne. His regiment was then stationed at Luneville until March 1, and until June 16, in the Baccarat Sector. His command held a portion of the Champagne sector until July 20, 1918. Following that he was at Chateau Thierry until the eighth of August, and going thence to the St. Mihiel sector, he was there transferred from the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry to the One Hundred Seventeenth Supply Train of the Rainbow Division. This command was in the Argonne-Meuse operations on October 2, and remained there until the signing of the armistice on November 11. Doctor Semans was with the Rainbow Division while with the Army of Occupation in Germany, being returned to the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Regiment. March 30, 1919, orders came to proceed to Brest, and from there they sailed April 15, landing at Hoboken April 20. He was in Camp Dix and then at Camp Sherman, where he received his honorable discharge May 31, 1919. Doctor Semans was commissioned captain in March, 1919. It was his fortune to be with one of the most conspicuous commands among the American Expeditionary Forces, and he shared in its glorious record.

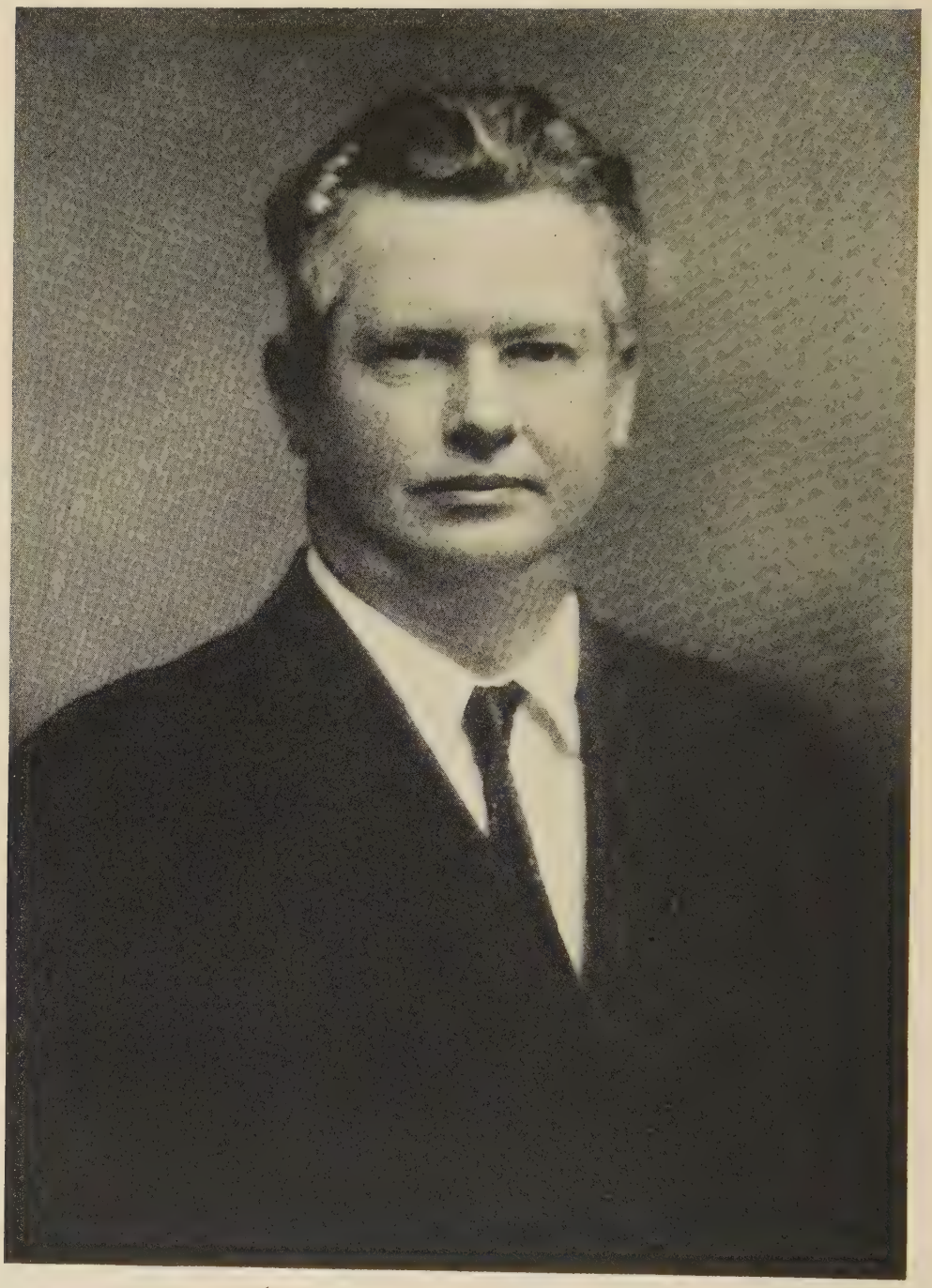
Soon after his honorable discharge Captain Semans returned to Delaware, and has been in practice steadily since July, 1919. He is a thoroughly well equipped dental surgeon, and has the most complete dental office in the city, including X-ray and other electrical equipments. Doctor Semans is a member of the American Legion, the Chamber of Commerce, is a Phi Kappa Psi of Ohio Wesleyan and a Psi Omega of the Ohio State University, has attained the thirty-second degree in Masonry and is a member of the Elks and Eagles. His church is the Williams Street Methodist. Doctor Semans married Grace Elizabeth Williams, daughter of T. B. and Elizabeth (Disbro) Williams, natives of Ohio, and a prominent family of Delaware.

James I. Tully is one of the prominent and well known business men of Hamilton, formerly a merchant and now in the real estate business, and a former president of the Hamilton Realtors Association.

He was born at Milford, Ohio, August 7, 1864, son of John and Bridget (Dwyer) Tully, now deceased. His father was a farmer in Butler County. James I. Tully grew up on a farm, attended public schools, and laid the foundation of his business training as salesman in a clothing store. For twelve years he was a member of the partnership Tully and Dolling in the tailoring business, and for three years was a merchant tailor on his own account.

Mr. Tully in 1915 opened a real estate office, and does a general brokerage business, buying and selling real estate, and also handles a general line of fire insurance.

In 1915 Mr. Tully attended the National Realtors Association in convention at Los Angeles, and at that time visited all the leading real estate offices from California to Seattle. He was one of the real estate men to become interested in the raising of standards of conducting business in that field, and in forming the National Realtors Association. He was instrumental in organizing a local association at Hamilton, and served as its president from January 1, 1923, to January 1, 1924. He also has membership in the Ohio State Realtors Association. Membership in these associations is a necessary prerequisite to using the word realtor in a business way.



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Mr. Tully is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Chamber of Commerce. He married Miss Carrie Schrender, of Hamilton, who died in 1910, leaving two children. The daughter Marie is the wife of Joseph H. Worndorf, connected with the Citizens Bank of Hamilton, and their three children are James P., Joseph H. Jr., and Ann Marie Worndorf. Miss Leona Tully, the second daughter, is a graduate of Mercy Hospital, a nurse by profession and was an army nurse during the World war, stationed at Ellis Island, Plattsburg, New York, Atlanta, Georgia, and Memphis, Tennessee. Both daughters are graduates of Notre Dame Academy of Hamilton.

In 1912 Mr. Tully married for his present wife Miss Tillie Tisinger, of Hamilton, daughter of Peter Tisinger. Her father was a retired capitalist of Hamilton. Mrs. Tully is a graduate of the Hamilton High School.

Harve Sheridan Sayre. The merchant who sells more goods than any other retail dealer in Athens County is Harve Sheridan Sayre, a resident of Buchtel, and operating a chain of seven stores and doing a tremendous volume of business in the mining communities of this section. Mr. Sayre served his apprenticeship in the mines, and did nearly everything connected with coal mining before he went into the mercantile business.

He was born on a farm near Jacksonville, in Athens County, January 8, 1882, son of Oran and Flora Sayre. His mother died in 1888, when a young woman. Oran Sayre, now seventy years of age and living at Buchtel, was for many years employed as a mine carpenter and blacksmith in the coal mines in the Sandy Creek Valley. By his first wife he had seven children, and by a second union, one daughter. George Sayre is a locomotive engineer with the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway, living at Wheeling. Another son, Clarence, is an employe of the Sayre chain of stores.

Harve Sheridan Sayre had his early home at No. 10 Derkick Mine, and attended school there, but when twelve years of age became a trapper boy in the local mines. Before he left the mines he dug a great deal of coal in the Sunday Creek Valley. From the mines he entered the service of his uncle, George Sayre, in a store at Glouster, and sold goods and drove a delivery wagon, and in 1900 became an employe of the Stratton Brothers store at Buchtel. He worked in a store there that he now owns, acquiring this business in 1910. He is a thorough merchant and business man, and his industry has enabled him to greatly expand his business so that he now has stores at Buchtel, Chauncey, Luhrig, Orbiston, Glouster, Floodwood and Murray City. Along with good business ability he has been dominated by a readiness to extend a helping hand to those in need, and his success has been fully deserved. His neighbors elected him against his will to the City Council, and he was on the board four years. Besides his large mercantile business he is president of the Meeker Run Coal Company.

In 1913 Mr. Sayre married Miss Bridget White, daughter of John White, of Buchtel. They have three children, John, Winnifred and Rose Mary. Mr. Sayre is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Walter John Smith, M. D. Numbered among the very prominent members of the medical profession of Darke County, Dr. Walter John Smith has also a fine record as regimental surgeon during the late war, and is a man who measures up to the highest standards of professional ethics. He was born in Butler County, Ohio, March 27, 1878, a son of Joseph B. and Jane (Brown) Smith, both members of old and honored families of Butler County.

First attending the public schools of his native county, Doctor Smith later attended Miami University and the University of Cincinnati, and was graduated from the latter institution, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, in 1902, and for the subsequent ten years was engaged in a general medical practice at Reily, Butler County. In 1912 he came to Arcanum, and since then, with the exception of his army service, has carried on his practice in this city, and built up a very valuable connection.

On July 17, 1917, Doctor Smith enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, and was ordered to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, and from there to Camp Greenleaf for duty. After three weeks there he was sent to Camp Dix, and while there was assigned to the Eight Hundred Eleventh Infantry. His unit sailed September 15, 1917, for Liverpool, England, and after their arrival at that port, were sent to Winchester, England, and thence to Le Havre, France. At first he was connected with base hospital, but on June 1, 1918, was transferred to Angers, and from there to Saint Mazure, and was made regimental surgeon of his regiment. On July 13, 1919, he sailed for the United States, and was honorably discharged from the service at Camp Dix in the latter part of July. Immediately following his discharge he returned to Arcanum and resumed his practice. Doctor Smith belongs to Gen. Ed Sigerfoos Post, American Legion, of which he is Post Commander.

Doctor Smith married Miss Margaret Ellen Kitchell, of Liberty, Indiana, a daughter of John Kitchell. The Kitchell family is one of the old ones of Indiana. One son, J. Kitchell, has been born to Doctor and Mrs. Smith. While a resident of Reily, Ohio, Doctor Smith united with the Presbyterian Church, and he still has his name on its membership books. He is a Mason, and belongs to Oxford Lodge No. 67, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. The skill and capability displayed by Doctor Smith in his practice has resulted in the building up of connections all over the county, and he is not only esteemed as a physician, but admired as a friend, and it is a recognized fact that he can be depended upon in any civic crisis for constructive assistance.

Lake Erie College at Painesville, deriving its inspiration largely from Mary Lyon and Mount Holyoke Seminary of Massachusetts, and maintaining throughout the years a close affiliation in spirit with that primary American institution for the higher education of women, is one of the oldest woman's colleges in the Middle West, and today, as in former years, its object is to give women an all around culture and training. The president of the faculty today is a Mount Holyoke graduate and former teacher, and her predecessors were all graduates of Mount Holyoke, thoroughly inspired with the ideals of that seminary.

In 1847, at Willoughby, Ohio, Miss Roxana B. Tenney, a Mount Holyoke graduate, opened a new school on the Mount Holyoke model, and its success was immediate. The building in which the school was conducted was burned in 1856, and soon afterward the institution was moved to Painesville. Lake Erie Female Seminary was incorporated in 1856, and on July 4, 1857, the corner stone of the college hall was laid. In 1859 the Seminary opened under the direction of eight teachers, two from Willoughby and the rest from Mount Holyoke. The Board of Trustees represented the leading denominations of Northern Ohio, and the institution has always been nonsectarian, but inspired by religious ideals. After the critical days of the Civil war the institution

steadily grew and prospered, building after building being added, and the institution was maintained as a standard college in all but name. In 1898 it became Lake Erie College and Seminary, and in 1908 the word seminary was dropped altogether.

Stating briefly the condition today after sixty-five years of continuous service in its present location in Painesville, Lake Erie College is one of the few separate colleges for women in the West. One of the earliest schools in Ohio, situated on old Western Reserve, it has held its place beside two other types of educational institutions—the co-educational, Oberlin; and the co-ordinate Woman's College, Western Reserve University. Lake Erie is an approved college with standard degrees, a charter member of the Ohio College Association, and recognized by the Association of American University Women, to whose membership its graduates are eligible. The faculty of the College has been chosen from a wide number of graduate schools. Every faculty member in a strictly academic position has at least a Master's degree, and the majority of heads of departments have attained the Doctorate.

Lake Erie is a strictly cultural college and in spite of the recent trend in American education, which puts emphasis on the so-called "practical" and vocational courses—intends to remain cultural. Training at Lake Erie is based on the conviction that a broad background of literature, science and history is a more valuable foundation for a woman's successful life than mere proficiency in one particular calling or profession.

Lake Erie is a small college and wishes to remain so. The value of the small community group is being so thoroughly recognized today that large colleges are rebuilding on the "group unit" plan, in which not more than two hundred and fifty students live, eat and sleep in one building or group of adjoining buildings. This has always been the definite policy of Lake Erie. Being small, Lake Erie is able to combine the atmosphere of home with a splendid community life. Personal training in manners and morals is effectively joined with a high standard of academic work. True to her Mount Holyoke origin, Lake Erie is religious but nonsectarian. It is a student government ruling that the girls shall attend the daily devotional chapel services and either the vesper services held every two weeks at the college or church in town. It is very notable that this college was one of the pioneer schools to introduce physical instruction and development. Mount Holyoke was the first woman's school to introduce gymnastics, and when Miss Evans came to Lake Erie College in 1868 she brought with her a firm belief in the value of physical training, and gave enthusiastic support to her associate, Miss Bentley, in the department of physiology and hygiene.

The first principal of the old Lake Erie Seminary was Mrs. Lydia Sessions Woodworth, who served until 1866, and was succeeded by Miss Anna M. Edwards. In the year 1868 there came to Lake Erie Seminary two women, Miss Mary Evans and Miss Luette P. Bentley, Miss Evans as principal, an office she held for thirty years, until 1898. From that year until 1909 she was president of Lake Erie College, while Miss Bentley was dean of the seminary for thirty years and dean of the college until 1909. For forty-one years these two women stood at the helm of Lake Erie College, dedicating to her service their strength, loyalty and their unusual ability. They were the chief instruments in bringing Lake Erie to her present high and recognized standing among the colleges of America. When Miss Evans and Miss Bentley retired in 1909 they planned to live in the East, but the child of their hearts called too strongly. In 1917 a group of alumnae purchased for them a little cottage adjoining the campus, where they might watch over and enjoy the daily life of their college. In November, 1921, Miss Evans passed away, leaving Miss Bentley to represent them both. Miss Bentley died in July, 1922.

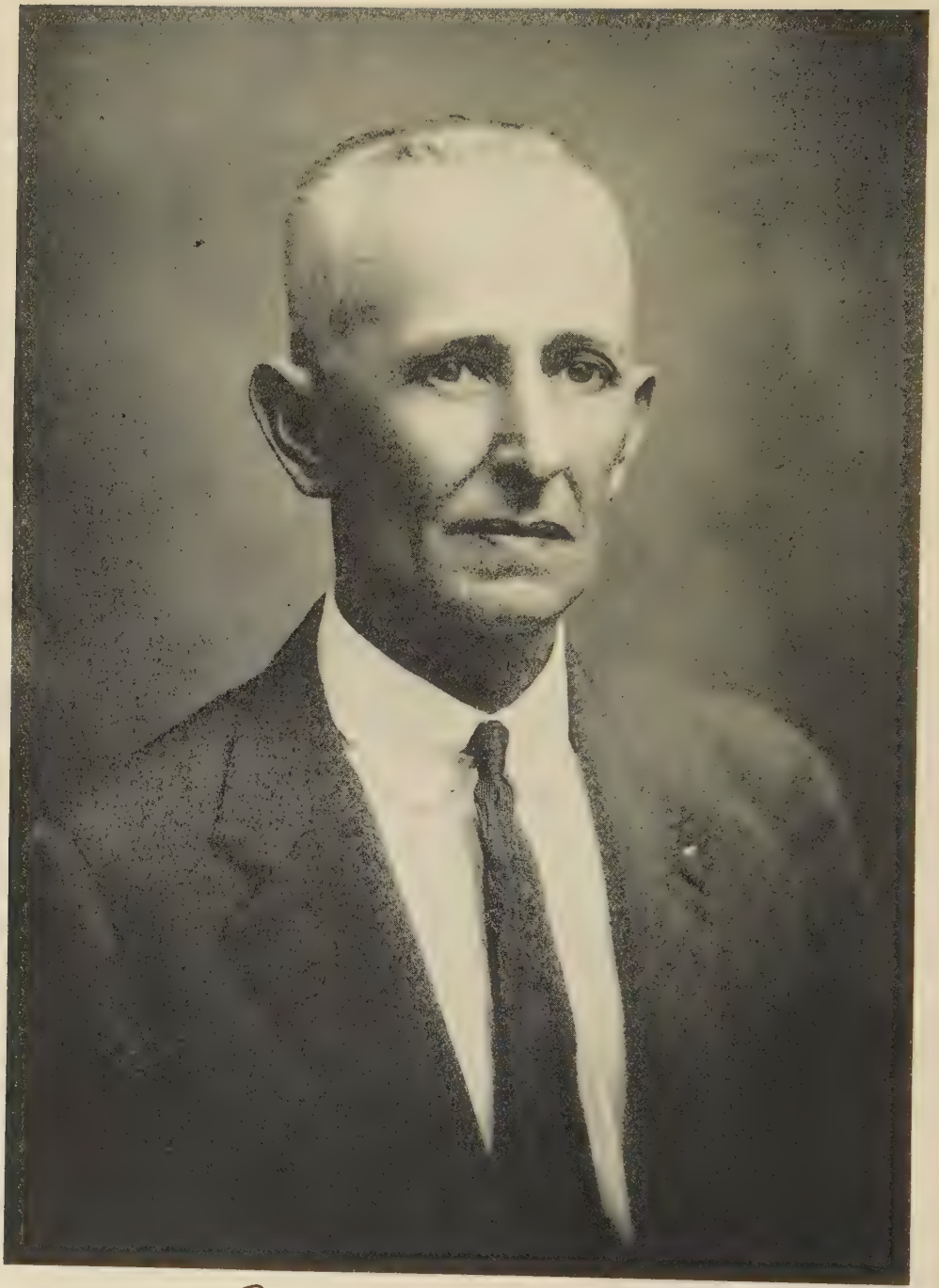
Miss Vivian Blanche Small, who succeeded to the presidency of Lake Erie College at Painesville following the retirement of Miss Mary Evans in 1909, came here from Mount Holyoke, where she had been a member of the faculty of instruction for a number of years.

Miss Small was born at Gardiner, Maine, September 17, 1875, descendant of an English family that first settled on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Her great-grandfather, Robert Small, was born in the town of Bowdoin, Maine, and cleared a homestead in the Maine wilderness. He died at Bowdoinham. His wife was Miss Totman, also a native of Maine. Their son, George Small, born at Bowdoinham, in 1823, spent his life there as a farmer, and died in 1904. He served as a captain of the Maine State Militia. His wife, Sarah Allen, was born at Bowdoinham, in April, 1824. Leander M. Small, father of the president of Lake Erie College, was born at Bowdoinham, May 25, 1849, and as a young man went to Gardiner, where he engaged in business as a contractor and builder, established his home at Augusta, Maine, in 1893, and in 1904 returned to Bowdoinham, where he managed the home farm and where he lived until his death on February 26, 1922. For a number of years he held the office of selectman of Bowdoinham and was a republican in politics. His wife, Annie Blanche Payne, was born October 6, 1852, and spends her summers at the old homestead, living in the winter at Buffalo, New York. Vivian Blanche was the oldest of four children. Her brother Roy P. was a salesman at Minneapolis, her brother Ralph M. is associate principal of the M. C. B. Durfee High School at Fall River, Massachusetts, and her sister, Margaret H., is the wife of Ray M. Verrill, a teacher in the Nichols Private School for Boys at Buffalo, New York.

Vivian Blanche Small attended public schools at Gardiner, graduated from high school there in 1892, and in 1896 finished the classical course and received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Mount Holyoke College. For two years she taught in the Gorham High School at Gorham, Maine, and two years in the Howe School at Billerica, Massachusetts. She then returned to Mount Holyoke College, where she was assistant, later instructor and finally associate professor of Latin. Work at Mount Holyoke continued until 1909, except for a year of leave of absence, 1904-05, while she attended the University of Chicago, receiving her Master's degree in 1905. She majored in Latin. The degree Doctor of Letters was conferred upon her by Mount Holyoke College in 1912, and the honorary Doctor of Laws degree was given her by Western Reserve University in 1913.

Frederick J. Kromer has proved one of the world's workers and has made at each successive stage of his career the best of the opportunities that have come to him. He has overcome many obstacles in the course of his industrious life, and is now substantially established in the retail coal business in the City of Sandusky, the county seat of his native county.

Mr. Kromer was born on a farm near Monroeville, Erie County, Ohio, August 10, 1857, and is a son of Aloysius and Katherine (Bowmer) Kromer, who were born in Germany. The father died when Frederick J., of this sketch, was an infant, and the widowed mother later contracted a second marriage, her second husband having been a prosperous farmer in Erie



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County, and Frederick J. Kromer having passed the period of his childhood and earlier youth on the farm of his stepfather, the while he attended the district schools when opportunity afforded. At the age of seventeen years he found employment by the month at farm work, and at the age of twenty years he went to Norwalk, this state, and engaged in working on a railroad. He was thus engaged three years, and thereafter he had charge of Gibraltar Island during one season. He then entered the employ of the Sandusky Gas Company, as a teamster in the hauling of coal, and after having given fourteen years of faithful service in this connection he engaged independently in the coal business, as a representative of which he has gained success and a representative supporting patronage. He is a stalwart democrat, and has served with marked loyalty as a member of the city council. He and his wife are communicants of Holy Angels Catholic Church, and he is affiliated with the Catholic Order of Foresters and the Union Benevolent Association.

In 1877 Mr. Kromer married Miss Bertha Krotz, and her death occurred in 1879. In 1881 he wedded Miss Agnes Krotz, and she was summoned to eternal rest in 1886, the children of this union being Oscar, who is a resident of Chicago, and Frederick, who continues to maintain his home in Sandusky. In 1888 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Kromer and Miss Emma Heim, who was born and reared in Sandusky, a daughter of Valentine and Christine Heim, the former of whom is deceased and the latter still resides in Sandusky, at the venerable age of ninety-seven years (1924). Mr. and Mrs. Kromer have one son, Frederick Aloysius, who is a resident of Sandusky.

Fred Mead Hopkins, editor and publisher of the Fostoria Daily Review, is a lawyer by training and profession, but his interest in newspaper work was aroused while in college and university, and that has been his chief profession since coming to Ohio twenty years ago. Mr. Hopkins is the present postmaster of Fostoria, and has long been a leader in the republican party in his section of the state.

He was born at Epworth, Iowa, July 12, 1875, the son of Timothy M. and Augusta A. (Brown) Hopkins. He acquired a good preliminary education in the common and high schools of Dubuque, Iowa, and soon after leaving high school entered the law department of the University of Iowa. He paid most of his expenses while studying law by newspaper writing. He was graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1895, and then for three years practiced at Dubuque.

In the spring of 1898, when the Spanish-American war broke out, he enlisted, in April, in Company A of the Forty-ninth Iowa Regiment, which was mobilized at Des Moines. In June the regiment was sent to Jacksonville, Florida, later to Savannah, Georgia, and finally to Havana, Cuba, where it was mustered out in 1899. He was first sergeant of the company. After this military service he returned to Iowa and practiced law until 1903.

In that year Mr. Hopkins came to Ohio, and at Toledo found an opportunity in the newspaper profession in covering the federal courts for the Times and later for the Blade. For four years he was city editor of the Blade and for two years managing editor of the Times. Mr. Hopkins in 1913 purchased the Fostoria Daily Review, and has made this the leading newspaper of Seneca County.

He married, October 27, 1899, Carolyn C. Bertholet. She is a graduate of Oberlin College and Conservatory. Three children were born to their marriage. The son, Edmond, a graduate of the Fostoria High School, competed his course in the arts of sciences at the State University of New Mexico and is business manager of the Fostoria Daily Review. He is a Knights Templar Mason. The daughter Constance is a senior in the Fostoria High School and Virginia is a Sophomore. All are members of the Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Hopkins is an elder and superintendent of the Sunday school.

On July 1, 1924, Mr. Hopkins was appointed postmaster of Fostoria by President Coolidge, following a request that had been made by President Warren G. Harding prior to his death. An active and conspicuous worker in the republican party in county, state and national politics, Mr. Hopkins has through his editorial and news columns presented many striking analysis of important issues and questions, and is regarded as one of the ablest republican editors in the state. In 1918 he was brought forward as a candidate for secretary of the state. In 1916 he was chairman of the Ohio State Republican Publicity Committee, and from 1916 to 1919 he was chairman of the Seneca County Republican Executive Committee. In 1920 he had the distinction of serving as secretary of the Warren G. Harding Editorial Committee. Mr. Hopkins was mayor of Fostoria in 1920-21, giving an administration marked with many improvements in the municipal program. He refused a renomination for that office. He is a past president of the Fostoria Rotary Club. Mr. Hopkins is a member of the United Spanish War Veterans, has identified himself with a number of civic movements and organizations, and fraternally is affiliated with Fostoria Lodge No. 288, Free and Accepted Masons, Garfield Chapter No. 150, Royal Arch Masons, Fostoria Council No. 90, Royal and Select Masters, Commandery No. 62, Knights Templar, has attained the thirty-second degree in the Valley of Toledo Scottish Rites Consistory and is a member of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

Charles Watson Ferrel, who from boyhood has been identified with all the practical work connected with the mining of coal, is superintendent of Mine No. 210 of the Ohio Collieries Company at Poston in Athens County.

Mr. Ferrel was born at Zaleski in Vinton County, Ohio, September 3, 1876, son of John and Sarah (Scott) Ferrel. His mother now lives at Nelsonville, Ohio. His father, who died in 1911, at the age of fifty-seven, at Jobs, Ohio, spent all his working years in the Ohio coal fields as a miner and track layer. He was born in Ohio, and his people came from Pennsylvania. John and Sarah Ferrel had twelve children. Their five sons were: Charles W.; J. O., who is safety foreman in Mine No. 210; Floyd, connected with the Pittsburg Coal Company at Murray; Clarence, a coal miner near Byesville in Guernsey County; and Ralph, who was also at Byesville, and was killed by falling slate May 28, 1923, at the age of thirty-four.

Charles Watson Ferrel attended the country schools in Vinton County, at Zaleski, but his education in schools terminated at the age of sixteen. The next year he began his mining career as a trapper boy, and in subsequent years he performed such tasks as driver, coal loader, track helper and track layer, and for two years he was general utility man both inside and out. In 1907 he was given the responsibility of foreman at Mine No. 2 at Jobs, and two years later was made superintendent of Mines Nos. 1, 2 and 3 at Jobs, and afterwards was safety foreman of Mine No. 25 of New York Coal Company at Chauncey. He was there two years and four months, and then held other positions with that corporation. July 11, 1917, he became superintendent of Mine No. 211 for the Ohio Collieries Company and on the fifteenth of October of the same year was promoted to superintendent of Mine No. 210 for the same company. He has been here now for seven years, and he had charge of production during the war times.

Mr. Ferrel served nine years as a member of the Chauncey School Board, and for two years of that time was president of the board. In citizenship as well as in business he is thoroughly progressive. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias Lodge at Murray City, and with the Masonic Lodge at Athens.

In September, 1897, Mr. Ferrel married Miss Barbara Richards, daughter of Homer Richards. She died June 28, 1923, the mother of four children, Neva, Ralph, Ben and Mary. The son Ralph, who is now with the engineering force in the mine with his father, is pursuing his technical education in mining engineering with the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton.

Martin Henry Fischer, M. D., internationally known as a physician and for his researches in medicine and chemistry, is a member of the faculty of the University of Cincinnati.

He was born in Germany, November 10, 1879, coming to the United States in 1885. He was educated in Chicago, graduating from the Rush Medical College of that city and pursued special work in biology and chemistry at Woods Hole, Massachusetts, in Germany and Austria. He was a member of the faculty of Rush Medical College from 1898 to 1901, a professor in the University of Chicago, several years, at the University of California, and from 1905 to 1910 professor of pathology in the Oakland School of Medicine. In 1910 he came to the University of Cincinnati, professor of physiology. Many honors have been paid him for his researches and other achievements. He received the gold medal for research from the American Medical Association in 1913, and from the same source was given a diploma in 1915, the silver medal in 1916, and a diploma in 1920. He is a trustee and from 1917 to 1920 was president of the Helen Somsine Research Foundation. He belongs to scientific organizations in Europe and America, having served as president of the Cincinnati Section of the American Chemical Society in 1922. He is author of a long list of books which have been translated into foreign tongues and he himself has translated a number of foreign works. Much of his research has been identified with the minute anatomy of nerve cells, artificial parthenogenesis, diabetes, absorption of water by colloids, nephrites, emulsion chemistry production of artificial milks, and the colloid chemistry of soaps and proteins.

Charles B. Unger. Few of Ohio's newspapers can lay claim to the distinction of more than a century of existence, but that is the proud record of the Eaton Register-Herald, formed by the consolidation in 1918 of the Register and the Herald, the former of which was founded in 1820. The present editor and manager is Charles B. Unger, who has been identified with newspaper work since his youth, and who is publishing a newspaper that has a wide circulation throughout Preble and the adjoining counties.

Mr. Unger was born at Eaton, November 12, 1868, and is a son of John H. and Ollitippa (Larsh) Unger, natives of Preble County. His paternal grandfather was George B. Unger, a native of Pennsylvania and a tailor by trade, who moved to Preble County and reached the age of eighty-six years. He was thrice married, having one son by his first marriage, while John H. Unger was the only child by his second marriage. The maternal grandparents of Charles B. Unger were Thomas Jefferson and Margaret (Manning) Larsh, Ohioans. Thomas Jefferson Larsh was a lawyer by profession and a prominent figure in public life in Preble County, where he served nineteen years as county surveyor, several years as deputy county auditor, and one term as state treasurer, dying at the age of seventy-two years. He had three children: Bluejacket, who died as a Union soldier in the Confederate prison stockade at Andersonville during the Civil war; Ollitippa the mother of Charles B. Unger; and Margaret.

John H. Unger was engaged in the drug business at Eaton during the Civil war period, and later followed the same business at West Alexandria, Preble County, although he subsequently returned to Eaton. In 1889 he went to Middletown, Indiana, but in 1902 came back to Eaton, where he still makes his home.

Charles B. Unger was reared in Preble County, attending the grammar school at West Alexandria and the high school at Eaton, from the latter of which he was graduated in 1886. Following this he took a commercial course at Nelson's Business College, Cincinnati, where for a short time he was employed by the John Wilde Clothing Company. Being attracted to the vocation of printer, he learned that trade at Cincinnati, where he worked for a time, going then to Middletown, Indiana, where he also followed his trade, and in 1892 came to Eaton, where he was employed in the office of the Register. He returned to Middletown in 1894 and purchased an interest in the Middletown News, but in January, 1902, came again to Eaton, where he bought the Eaton Herald. In 1918 this paper was consolidated with the Eaton Register, under the title of the Register-Herald, of which Mr. Unger is still the editor, the publisher being the Register-Herald Company.

The history of this paper is an interesting one, as was outlined in the "Centennial Anniversary and Old Home Edition," published January 28, 1920. A necessarily brief outline of this history is as follows: Judge Tizzard, elected from Ross County, Ohio, to the Legislature, located at Eaton in 1819 and founded the Eaton Weekly Register, the first issue of which appeared early in 1820. His apprenticeship had commenced when he was sixteen years of age in the office of the Carlisle (Pennsylvania) Herald, where he mastered the trade and obtained a practical knowledge of the "art preservative." Soon after he attained his majority he went to Philadelphia, where he obtained a position as pressman in the large printing establishment of Matthew Carey, then and for many years thereafter the leading book publisher of the United States. In 1814 he joined in the popular west migration and located on a small farm about six miles from Chillicothe, Ohio. In 1820, as noted, he founded the Register, and for twenty-four years, at intervals, was the editor and publisher thereof. He died May 19, 1844, and was buried at Mound Hill Cemetery, west of Eaton. Under the management and editorship of Mr. Tizzard the publication was continued until 1830, when he sold the paper to Enoch Edmonson, of Washington City, who conducted it for several years and then made a trip to the East to visit his home and relatives. On his return to the West, somewhere in the Alleghany Mountains, he was killed by the upsetting of the stage coach. After his death the paper passed into the hands of F. A. Cunningham and J. VanAusdal, in 1833, later taking a Mr. Neff into the firm, but conducted the publication for only a short time. In 1834 Hendricks & Duggins assumed charge of the publication and continued it until 1839, when Samuel Tizzard again became its publisher, taking in his son, William B. Tizzard, as the junior member of the firm. Upon the death of Samuel Tizzard in 1844 the paper passed into the hands of his son, by whom the publication was continued for a number of years, when it passed into the hands of W. F. Albright, the father of C. E. Albright, who later was to become the senior member of the Register-Herald Company. The next proprietorship was W. B. Tizzard and I. S. Morris, which continued until 1874, when the paper passed into the hands of W. F. Albright and Col. Robert Williams, the latter

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then internal revenue collector at Dayton, Ohio. This partnership, however, lasted only several years, and W. F. Albright again assumed the publication, which was conducted under the firm name of W. F. Albright & Sons until the death of the father June 18, 1898. Following his demise the publication was continued by his two sons, E. J. and C. E. Albright, until April 16, 1912, when the former passed to his reward and the heritage passed to the latter. On March 1, 1918, the Register and the Eaton Herald were consolidated under the present title. The paper now enjoys a wide circulation and is regarded as a cleanly and reliable family paper, containing many features of interest in addition to all the live news of the day.

Mr. Unger married, February 2, 1893, Miss Adda Nixon of Middletown, Indiana, daughter of Cephas Nixon and to this union there was born one son, Nixon Larsh. Mrs. Unger died in 1895, at the age of twenty-seven years. On July 10, 1915, Mr. Unger married Miss Anna Clayton, daughter of Scott and Margaret (Morris) Clayton.

GEORGE J. DAMON, M. D., of Medina, judicial center of Medina County, is a native son of this county and has here been engaged in the practice of his profession nearly forty years, as one of the leading exponents of the benignant school of Homeopathy in this section of the state. Doctor Damon has long controlled a large and representative practice of general order, and in the surgical department of his profession has confined himself to a large extent to minor operations.

Doctor Damon was born on the parental homestead farm in Hinckley Township, Medina County, March 31, 1858, and is a son of the late Julius and Catherine (Babcock) Damon. Julius Damon was born at Northampton, Massachusetts, November 3, 1824, and was three years of age at the time his parents, Nathan and Hannah (Shaw) Damon, came to Ohio and became pioneer settlers in Medina County, where they passed the remainder of their lives. The Damons were numbered among the Pilgrims who settled in Massachusetts in 1628, and representatives of the family were soldiers in the King Phillip Indian war and also in the War of the Revolution. Joshua Babcock, maternal grandfather of Doctor Damon, likewise was a scion of Colonial New England stock.

Julius Damon was reared in Medina County, under the conditions and influences of the pioneer days. His father, Nathan Damon, not only reclaimed a farm from the wilds, but also served as a soldier in the War of 1812, while still a resident of Massachusetts. Julius Damon was long numbered among the representative farmers and honored and influential citizens of Hinckley Township, Medina County, and here he remained until his death, September 15, 1894. The family name of his first wife was Eastman, and she was survived by one daughter, Ella, who became the wife of Frank Tennant, their home being in the State of Michigan. Mrs. Catherine (Babcock) Damon survived her husband about six years and was summoned to the life eternal on the 30th of March, 1900. Of the children of the second marriage of Julius Damon, Doctor George J., of this review, is the eldest; Herbert L. is one of the substantial farmers of Medina County; Lula is the widow of James Eastwood and resides in the City of Medina. Julius Damon was a stalwart advocate of the principles of the republican party, and was an earnest member of the Christian Church, as were also both his first and second wives.

The environment and activities of the old home farm compassed the childhood and early youth of Doctor Damon, and after the discipline of the district schools he completed a high school course. In preparation for his chosen profession he entered the Cleveland Homeopathic Hospital College, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1886. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was engaged in practice in the village of Hinckley, near the old home farm, for a period of eighteen months, and since that time he has maintained his home and professional headquarters in the City of Medina. The doctor has taken post-graduate work in the Western Reserve Medical College, in the City of Cleveland, and has kept insistently in touch with the advances made in medical and surgical science. He is an active and honored member of the Medina County Medical Society, and he has served as censor of the Cleveland Homeopathic Hospital College. He is a member of the Ohio State Homeopathic Society, the American Institution of Homeopathy, the Northeast Ohio Homeopathy Society, and the Cleveland Homeopathy Society. The doctor has made various and valuable contributions to the periodical literature of his profession, and has prepared and read instructive papers on medical subjects. He was formerly a director of the Medina Telephone Company and the B. H. Wood Lumber Company. He is at the present time a member of the board of directors of the Medina County National Bank, and is also a director of the United States Building & Loan Company in the City of Akron, of which corporation he was formerly the president. He has ever been loyal and progressive in his civic attitude, and has given effective service as a member of the board of education in his home city. He and his wife are most zealous members of the Christian Church at Medina, he being a member of its board of trustees and also of the building committee in charge of the erection of the new church edifice, which was completed in the summer of 1923. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

The year 1884 recorded the marriage of Doctor Damon and Miss Perlea E. Green, who was born at Hinckley, this county, the eldest of the children of Casner J. and Samantha (Baker) Green, both likewise natives of Medina County. Mrs. Damon was graduated from the Medina High School, and her gracious personality has made her a loved figure in the church and social activities of her home community, she having been a member of the Christian Church since she was thirteen years of age. Doctor and Mrs. Damon have two children: Eulalia is the wife of W. C. Todd, of Cleveland; Doctor Virgil G. was graduated from the University of Ohio, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and later received from the medical department of the same institution his degree of Doctor of Medicine. He is an operator before the class in Columbia University from July, 1924, to July, 1925, New York City.

JAMES CLARK BERRY, M. D. One of the busy physicians and surgeons of Belmont County for over twenty years, Doctor Berry has also found time to attend to a number of business and civic interests. His home is at Shadyside. He was a medical officer in the World war, much of the time overseas with the Twenty-seventh Division.

Doctor Berry was born on a farm in Meade Township, Belmont County, March 28, 1872. His father, William Jerome Berry, who was born in Meade Township in 1853 and died in 1918, was a successful contractor in paving and street work, and laid a large amount of paving at Marietta, Ohio, and had other municipal contracts over this state and West Virginia, Illinois and other states. He also owned a fine farm of a thousand acres in Meade Township, this property being known as the Cloverdale Dairy Farm. This contained a splendid herd of Jersey cattle, and was regarded as one of the finest farms and farm homes in Belmont County. He twice served as county com-

missioner, was a leader in republican politics, and in the later years of his life was closely identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church. He also owned coal mines on his farm and operated a large flour mill there. He was a member of the Masonic Order. William J. Berry married Louise Lashley, who was born in Belmont County, and died at the age of forty-five.

One of a family of four children, Dr. James Clark Berry grew up on his father's farm, attended public schools in Meade Township, and also did the work of a summer normal school. The enthusiasm of his early years was directed toward farming. He learned the milling business on his father's place, and his time was largely taken up with farming and the operation of a flour mill until 1897. In that year he entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1901. While living on the farm he had also taken a business course in order to qualify himself for the handling of his business interests.

Doctor Berry married before entering medical college, and after graduating engaged in practice at Armstrong Mills in Washington Township of Belmont County. He did the work of a country physician in that community for thirteen years, and showed a deep and active interest in township matters and in the success of the republican party. An important diversion to his work as a physician was raising fine poultry, and his chickens won many prizes in exhibitions.

Doctor Berry established his home at Shadyside in 1914. He is both a physician and surgeon, and in 1923 was president of the medical staff of the Bellaire City Hospital. He is a member of the Belmont County, the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

At the beginning of American participation in the World war he served as a medical member of District No. 2 Draft Board of Belmont County. Later in 1917 he was commissioned first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps, attended the Medical Officers' Training School at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, a few weeks, and was then transferred to Camp Wadsworth, New York, and assigned to the One Hundred Twenty-second Sanitary Train of the Twenty-seventh Division, made up largely of National Guard Troops. He went overseas, his unit being attached to an American Red Cross Hospital near Paris. Subsequently he went with his command to Chateau Thierry and the Argonne, and was with the Twenty-seventh Division on the British front in Belgium. Doctor Berry was overseas nine months, returning to the United States and was discharged on April 1, 1919.

He is a trustee and active member of the Shadyside Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Lodge of Royal Arch Chapter, Council and Knights Templar Commandery in York Rite Masonry.

Doctor Berry's first wife was Annie Farrell, who died in 1896. They had one child, Dr. William Clark Berry, who was for seven years a student in Marietta College, taking a prominent part in college athletics. He was a graduate of the medical department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, and for one year was an interne in the Western Reserve Hospital. He then became a medical missionary for foreign missions of the Methodist Church, and from 1921 his field of duty was in Africa. He married Priscilla McClintock, a native of Pennsylvania, and formerly a Red Cross nurse. Dr. William Clark Berry deceased in Africa November 23, 1923.

The second wife of Dr. James Clark Berry was Miss Myrtle Kisler, who was born and reared at Kingsman in Trumbull County, Ohio. She is very active in the Methodist Church and its various auxiliaries.

WILLIAM W. WEIR is one of the native sons of Trumbull County who have been recruited as members of its bar, and he is one of the representative young lawyers in the City of Warren, the county seat.

William Ward Weir was born in Bazetta Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, May 5, 1897, and is a representative of the third generation of the family in this county. His paternal grandparents, James and Ann (Sturdevant) Weir, were honored pioneer citizens of Bazetta Township, the former having been born in 1833 and having died in 1908, and the latter, who was born in 1834, passed away in 1914. Both were earnest members of the Christian Church. James Weir was a blacksmith by trade, and the sturdiness of his character was in consonance with the vocation for which he thus fitted himself, and besides following it he became a successful exponent of farm industry in the township above mentioned. He was a scion of a family that was founded in Massachusetts in the early Colonial days, the original American progenitors having come from Scotland.

George C. Weir, father of him whose name introduces this review, was born in Bazetta Township, this county, May 17, 1864, and has been a resident of the City of Warren since 1912, he having turned his attention to real estate business here after having been for many years a successful buyer and shipper of live stock. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and he and his wife hold membership in the Christian Church. Mrs. Weir, whose maiden name was Susie B. Orr, was born in Pennsylvania, February 20, 1873. Freda Ella, eldest of the children, is the wife of Arner B. Clark, who is engaged in the practice of law at Warren; William W., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Barndt died at the age of six pears; Anna Lanore is the wife of Norman W. Adams, who is engaged in the insurance business at Warren.

After profiting by the advantages of the schools of his native township William W. Weir attended high school at Cortland somewhat more than one year, and in 1915 he was graduated from the Warren High School. His higher academic education was acquired in Ohio Wesleyan University, at Delaware, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1919 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. At the university he became affiliated with the Chi Phi fraternity, and there also he prepared for his chosen profession. He graduated from the law department of the Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, as a member of the class of 1922, and his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws was almost immediately followed by his admission to the bar of his native state, on the 7th of July, 1922. In connection with his work in the law school he became affiliated with the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity.

After his admission to the bar Mr. Weir became associated with the well known law firm of Buchwalter & Clark at Warren. This alliance he continued until January, 1923, since which time he has here been engaged in independent practice, with office at 808 Western Reserve Bank Building.

Mr. Weir is well fortified in his political convictions, which give him alignment in the cohorts of the republican party. He holds membership in the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Warren, is president of the Wesleyan Men's Club, is a popular young member of the Trumbull County Bar Association, and in the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with Old Erie Lodge No. 3, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

Mr. Weir was in the United States naval service in the World war period. He enlisted July 1, 1918, and thereafter was continuously in service at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, on Lake Michigan and near Chicago until January 28, 1919, when he received his honorable discharge. He is now adjutant

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of Clarence Hyde Post No. 278, American Legion, and takes deep interest in the affairs of this organization in his home city. He resides at 606 East High Street, where he owns his attractive home property.

June 12, 1921, marked an mportant event in the career of Mr. Weir, since he was then united in marriage to Miss Mildred E. Grose, in the City of Toledo. Mrs. Weir, who was graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University as a member of the class of 1920 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, is a daughter of Rev. T. Wallace and Hattie (Monnette) Grose, who now reside (1923) at Springfield, Ohio, Mr. Grose being a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In his service both as a trial lawyer and counselor Mr. Weir is so demonstrating his powers as to cause his law business to be marked by consecutive expansion in scope and importance, and he has standing as one of the representative younger members of the bar of his native county.

Chester R. Wehrley, sheriff of Preble County, was born and reared in this county and has been a very popular member of its citizenship and a leader in local republican politics since reaching his majority.

He was born in Dixson Township, Preble County, June 26, 1890, son of Joseph E. and Sarah (Wilson) Wehrley. He grew up on his father's farm, attended country schools and in 1909 graduated from the Eaton High School, and in 1911 completed a course in the Indiana Business College. For a time he was employed as a clerk in the offices of the Pennsylvania Railway Company at Richmond, Indiana, but from 1912, was successfully engaged in farming until he took up the duties of sheriff. He was deputy in the sheriffs' office from January 1, 1919, to January 1, 1923.

He has worked with the republican organization in his township and county, and in 1922 became a candidate for sheriff, being elected in November of that year and took up the duties of his office on January 1, 1923. Mr. Wehrley has filled chairs in the lodges of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias.

He married, June 26, 1912, Kathleen French, daughter of Luke and Sarah (Siebert) French. Sheriff and Mrs. Wehrley have four children: Hilda Margaret, Sarah Alice, Richard and George W.

Hon. Henry Ziegler. During a long and useful career, in which he has followed the pursuits of agriculture in Bloom Township, Henry Ziegler has contributed to the welfare and advancement of his community through his able service in a number of official capacities. As a farmer he has been a supporter of the most advanced ideas and principles, and in the conduct of his official responsibilities he has demonstrated his possession of enlightened views and constructive aims.

Mr. Ziegler was born in Venice Township, Seneca County, Ohio, March 23, 1860, and is a son of Henry and Louisa (Keller) Ziegler. The second son of his parents, he was four years old when his father moved to Eden Township, and there he grew to manhood, obtaining his education in the public schools. In 1887 he was united in marriage with Miss Clarissa S. Klaiss, of Bloom Township, who was born in that township February 28, 1866. While a resident of that township Mr. Ziegler served for six years in the capacity of member of the township board of trustees, and in 1891 removed to Lyken Township, Crawford County, Ohio, in which community he spent two years in agricultural pursuits. In 1893 he returned to Eden Township, where he had 160 acres of land, and subsequently purchased forty-three acres adjoining, located in Texas Township, Crawford County. Mr. Ziegler made his residence on this property until 1903, in which year he returned to Bloom Township, and is now the owner of 276 acres situated two and one-half miles west of Bloomville. This property he has improved with modern buildings, including a commodious residence, large barn and numerous outbuildings, and here he carries on his operations according to the most highly approved ideas and with modern farming machinery. He raises the standard crops of his locality, and his produce is of a quality that secures top prices.

Mr. Ziegler has been active and prominent in official affairs, as before noted, and has been before the people in a number of public capacities. Following his six years of service as trustee of Bloom Township, he was elected to the State Legislature, in which body he worked faithfully and successfully in behalf of his constituents for four years. On his return he was again elected trustee, and has held that position to the present time. In politics he has always been a staunch supporter of the democratic party. He has been a member of the Reformed Church since his boyhood, was a delegate to the Heidelberg Classes in 1910, and has served both as deacon and elder.

Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler have had the following children: Frank L., who married Mary E. Watson; Fannie M., who married William W. Barrack; Blanche M., now deceased, who was the wife of Henry S. Hunsicker; Raymond A.; Eliza E.; Cora A., the wife of Thomas F. Jordan; Howard J., who married Iva O. Dell; and Dewald.

Enoch M. Blower. The practical experience in coal mining of Enoch M. Blower began during his boyhood. He comes of a family of miners, and he and his brothers have become well known among the mining operators of Pennsylvania and Ohio. Enoch M. Blower since 1901 has been a resident of Athens County, Ohio, and assisted in the first work of development of the mines about Trimble. He is vice president of the Hisylvania Coal Company, which operates Mines 22 and 23 at Trimble, and also the brick plants at Glouster and Trimble. The brick plants were established by a syndicate from Dayton under the name of the Trimble Brick Manufacturing Company, but since 1920 have been owned and operated by the Hisylvania Brick Company.

Mr. Blower was born in England, June 6, 1874, son of Joseph and Anne (Wallett) Blower. His father was a coal miner in England. In 1884 he followed his oldest son to the United States, and other members of his family joined him in 1886. Here he became a brick and mining contractor at Old Eagle Mines in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and subsequently in Washington County, Pennsylvania. He was well versed in every phase of mining operations. Joseph Blower died in August, 1912, at the age of seventy-six, and his wife passed away in 1888. They had a family of four sons and four daughters, all living. Of the sons the oldest is J. W. Blower, who at the age of eighteen left home and came to America. Subsequently he worked to pay his way through Ohio State University, and has been very successful. He is a resident of Columbus, and is president and general manager of the Hisylvania Coal Company. The second son, Emanuel, is one of the directors of the Hisylvania Coal Company and lives in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. Daniel is a mine inspector in Washington County, Pennsylvania.

Enoch M. Blower was about twelve years of age when he came to America. He attended school in England, also a district school in Pennsylvania, and after that the State Normal School at California, Pennsylvania. Subsequently during his working experience he completed courses in mining and business

administration with the International Correspondence School.

The work of his boyhood years made him a practical miner, and he was only twenty-one when he was promoted to fire boss and mine boss, with a force of 200 Slavs working under him. He was connected with a number of mining industries in Pennsylvania, including Brownsville, that state, before coming to Ohio in 1901 as superintendent of operations at the opening of the mines at Trimble. Associated with his brothers, J. W., Emanuel and D. R., he was a member of the Penn Coal Company at Roseville, Ohio, also the Piney Fork Coal Company at Smithfield, the Panhandle Collieries Company at Fernwood, Ohio, and is identified with the Star Manufacturing Company at New Lexington, Ohio, manufacturing mine cars and other mining equipment.

In 1902 Mr. Blower married Miss Cathryne Neale, daughter of Henry Neale, of Stockdale, Pennsylvania. They are the parents of two sons and one daughter. The daughter, Miss Neale, is a student of Ohio University at Athens. Willis is attending the Glouster High School, and Elbert is in the public schools of Trimble. Mrs. Blower is a member of the Methodist Church, and her husband was reared in the Episcopal faith. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Shrine at Columbus, and for one year was worshipful master of the local lodge.

Charles T. Swaney, M. D., president and general manager of the Niles Forge & Manufacturing Company, one of the important and well ordered industrial corporations in the City of Niles, Trumbull County, was born at New Cumberland, Hancock County, West Virginia, on the 15th of January, 1871, and in the same county, then still a part of the old mother state of Virginia; his father, Thomas R. Swaney, was born December 21, 1840, a son of Isaac and Margaret Summerwell Swaney, both of whom were born in Beaver County, Pennsylvania. The original American representative of the Swaney family, which is of Scotch origin, came from the North of Ireland and settled in Pennsylvania in the Colonial period of our national history. As a young man Isaac Swaney moved from his native county in the old Keystone State to what is now Hancock County, West Virginia, and there he became a successful contractor and builder. He was born February 27, 1809, and died April 16, 1864. Margaret, his wife, was born December 1, 1819, and died May 7, 1908.

Thomas R. Swaney maintained his home in Hancock County, West Virginia, during his entire life, and his death occurred at New Cumberland December 15, 1912. He was a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war, and his service covered the entire period of conflict between the states of the North and the South. He was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Grand Army of the Republic, and he and his wife held membership in the Presbyterian Church. He gave many years of service as captain of vessels plying the Ohio River. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary Atkinson, was born at New Cumberland, West Virginia, May, 2, 1847, and there her death occurred December 10, 1896. Of the children the eldest, Edward, born March 30, 1869, became a steamboat captain on the Ohio River, and while in service met his death in the explosion of a steamboat boiler at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, December 3, 1911; Charles T., of this review, was the next in order of birth; Archibald F., the youngest, was born December 13, 1875, is now a retired physician and surgeon residing at Niles, Ohio.

Charles T. Swaney was graduated from the high school in his native town of New Cumberland as a member of the class of 1888, and thereafter served as clerk on Ohio River steamboats in order to earn funds to defray his expenses in preparing for the profession of his choice. When sufficiently reinforced in a financial way, in 1894 he entered celebrated old Starling Medical College, now the Medical School of the University of Ohio, at Columbus, and in this institution he was graduated in March, 1897. Immediately after receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he established his residence at Niles.

On the 2nd of August, 1900, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Swaney and Miss Grace Hayes, daughter of the late George and Jane Hayes, who were residents of Niles until 1912, when they moved to Massillon, Ohio, where Mr. Hayes died in July, 1913, and Mrs. Hayes' death occurred in April, 1917, both being buried in Massillon.

Doctor Swaney built up a substantial and representative general practice, and gave special attention to surgery. In 1903 he took a post-graduate course in the great New York Post Graduate Medical School and Hospital, where his study and clinical experience were principally in the department of surgery. He continued to give close attention to the work of his profession until August 1, 1910.

Doctor Swaney was one of the organizers of the Standard Boiler & Plate Iron Company of Niles, Ohio, in 1906, serving as president of this company until 1910, when he became associated with the Massillon Rolling Mill Company of Massillon, Ohio, after which he disposed of his interest in the Standard Boiler & Plate Iron Company and devoted his entire attention to the Massillon Rolling Mill Company, and became secretary of that corporation. He was actively identified with the management of the plant and the early construction of the Central Steel Company. Later the Massillon Rolling Mill Company was absorbed by the Central Steel Company. In November, 1914, the Doctor returned to Niles, and was made president and general manager of the Niles Forge & Manufacturing Company. He retained this dual office until March, 1918, when he retired and established his residence in the City of Cleveland. In December, 1921, he returned to Niles and resumed his executive service as president and general manager of The Niles Forge & Manufacturing Company, to the affairs of which he has since continued to give the major part of his time and attention. The large and well equipped plant of this company is established at the south end of Grant Street. The Company are structural steel fabricators and manufacturers of hammered and machined steel forgings of heavy type, the output being principally used in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania.

Doctor Swaney's political faith is that of the republican party and at Massillon he still maintains affiliation with Clinton Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He and his wife are active members of the Presbyterian Church in their home city.

Howard K. Butler has been in the undertaking business in Southern Ohio for over a quarter of a century, and at his home town of Vinton, in Gallia County has one of the most up to date and modernly equipped establishments of the time.

Mr. Butler was born in Vinton April 4, 1879, son of William F. and Anna (Kerr) Butler. His maternal grandfather was William Kerr. William F. Butler, who died July 23, 1920, was a farmer, but gave most of his time to stock dealing and trading, and for twenty years was township treasurer. He was master of his Masonic Lodge and at the time of his death the oldest Mason in Gallia County. He also belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was a Freewill Baptist. His wife, Anna Kerr died March 23, 1921. Of their three children Maggie is the wife

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of Dr. E. A. Hamilton and has a son, Walter, who is also a physician. The second child, Nellie, is the wife of Dr. W. C. Feltman, of Vinton.

Howard K. Butler was reared in his native village, attended public schools there, and at the age of seventeen went to work in the Feltman combined hardware and undertaking establishment at Vinton. Subsequently, when the state law licensing embalmers was passed, he went to Columbus to attend the Massachusetts College of Embalming, and was graduated in 1902. From year to year he has improved his service and equipment, and in addition to the work of his profession has thought at all times to promote the general welfare of his community. During the World war he was registered and assigned to the fourth class. He belongs to the Masonic Lodge, the Knights of Pythias, the Modern Woodmen of America, and is a member of the Freewill Baptist Church.

Mr. Butler married, January 1, 1903, Miss Vennie Mathews, daughter of John A. and Jennie (Shack) Mathews. Her father, who died March 10, 1921, was for a number of years in the tanning business at Vinton, but finally moved to Columbus, and acted as market master of that city for a number of years. He moved to Columbus about 1905. He was a member of the Masonic order and the Knights of Pythias, and a Freewill Baptist. Mrs. Butler is the oldest of the following children, the others being Max M., Roland Dwight, Madge (deceased), Miss Lucile, Mrs. Helen Leshner. Mr. and Mrs. Butler have one son, John William.

DANIEL C. ALBERT is one of the leading business men and liberal and progressive citizens of Brookville, Montgomery County, where he is vice president of the Citizens State & Savings Bank and where he individually controls a substantial and important business as a dealer in leaf tobacco.

Mr. Albert was born in Preble County, Ohio, December 22, 1853, and is a son of Lewis and Catherine Albert, who continued their residence in Ohio until their death. As the family was in modest financial circumstances, Daniel C. Albert received in his early youth very limited educational advantages, principally those of the district schools of his native county. His broader education has been gained through self-discipline and through long and active association with men and business. As a young married man he earned money by carrying baskets of produce and other supplies which he peddled through the community in which he was reared. His early fellowship with adverse conditions gave to him a self-reliance and an appreciation of relative values, and this experience proved of inestimable value in the shaping and ordering of his future career. Through his own resources he provided the means for completing a course in the business or commercial department of Oberlin College, and he learned the art of telegraphy, as an exponent of which he was for twenty-two years employed as an operator on the lines of the Pennsylvania Railroad. At Dodson, a little village in Montgomery County, he opened his first warehouse for the handling of leaf tobacco, and there he continued his operations fifteen years. During the ensuing four years he was engaged in the grain and leaf tobacco business at Lewisburg, Preble County, and in 1905 he opened a tobacco warehouse at Brookville, where he has built up a large and prosperous business in the buying and shipping of leaf tobacco. He handles annually more than 300,000 pounds, and is one of the most extensive operators in this trade to be found in this section of Ohio. For the accommodation of his business he maintains a large and well equipped warehouse, the same being 36x22 feet in dimensions. Mr. Albert has been for many years the vice president of the Citizens State & Savings Bank, and as a citizen and business man he is known for his liberality and civic loyalty. He gave a long period of service as a member of the Brookville Special District Board of Education, and, mindful of the struggles and privations of his childhood and youth, his heart is ever attuned to human sympathy and helpfulness. He finds deep and enduring satisfaction in aiding those in need, and counts this as but part of the stewardship which he owes to his fellowmen. It is worthy of note that at every Christmas Mr. Albert sends to needy widows and other families in and about Brookville a goodly supply of provisions, and he finds also many other mediums for the expression of his earnest spirit of helpfulness, in which connection it may consistently be said that he remembers those who are forgotten.

In connection with his business activities Mr. Albert is general manager of the Ohio Division of the Brandfass Tobacco Company of Wheeling, West Virginia. In the local lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons Mr. Albert served three years as master, and in the time-honored fraternity he has received the Thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He has been active and influential in the various Masonic bodies with which he is affiliated, and has served as standard bearer of the Ohio Grand Commandery of Knights Templars.

On the 9th of December, 1878, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Albert and Miss Ida M. Horner, daughter of the late George and Elizabeth Horner, who were well known citizens of Montgomery County. Warren R., elder of the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Albert, is in the employ of the great National Cash Register Company of Dayton, Ohio. Grace is the wife of Prof. F. W. Schoenman, a teacher in the Illinois State School for the Deaf at Jacksonville.

ALBERT C. MILLER, president and general manager of the A. C. Miller Company, has been a resident of Delaware County all his life, and has been prominently connected for thirty years with the lumber industry. As a timber man and manufacturer his operations have covered a wide territory. He has a large mill and yard at Delaware.

He was born at Delaware, October 5, 1872, son of Nathan and Mary (Fry) Miller. His grandparents were Jacob and Catherine Miller, of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. Jacob Miller was a California forty-niner, and an early settler of Ohio. Both Nathan and Mary Miller were born in Ohio, and the former was a substantial farmer. He was very active in church work, being a deacon of the Reformed Church.

Albert C. Miller attended the public schools of Delaware, and left school at the age of seventeen to go to work on the farm. In a short time he was doing logging in the woods, and he found in that an occupation that appealed to his sturdy nature, and it has been his permanent vocation ever since. For several years he did logging for others, and in 1892 engaged in business for himself. He built a saw mill, and at first confined his operations to the primary work of lumbering, beginning in the standing timber, logging and manufacturing rough lumber, and from that extended his business to selling in retail yards. His first mill was built on his present mill and yard site. At the present time his facilities include a planing mill and he manufactures large quantities of inside finish both pine and hardwood. He buys wood lots on the farms in this section of Ohio, and still has a crew to do his logging. He uses all the up-to-date methods, and horses have been practically superseded by motor trucks. In connection with his lumber yard at Delaware he has a coal yard and

also has a repair shop for the repair of all his milling and logging machinery. In the fall of 1918 the business was incorporated as the A. C. Miller Company, and a department for the manufacture of handles was added, the output of which has attained the enormous total of 1,500,000 handles annually.

November 23, 1897, at Delaware, Mr. Miller married Miss Anna Bryson. Her parents were Ohio farmers and died when she was very young, and she was reared in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Wells. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are members of the Reformed Church.

Hon. Bert Badgley. The cause of national prohibition has no more tireless, fearless nor successful supporter in Ohio than Hon. Bert Badgley, a resident of Dayton and justice of the peace of Van Buren Township, Montgomery County. So courageous and result-attaining have been his labors, in fact, that the illicit liquor interests have come to recognize his name as representative of a persistent nemesis, and records show that since he entered office in the fall of 1920 liquor violations in his district have fallen off 70 per cent.

Justice Badgley was born in Greene County, Ohio, September 26, 1884, and is a son of G. M. and Harriet (Swigart) Badgley, farming people, both of whom are now deceased. Bert Badgley received his education in the public schools near South Charleston, Clark County, and resided on his father's farm until reaching the age of twenty-one years, at which time he entered upon his independent career, left the parental roof and took up his residence at Dayton in 1905. Here he secured employment with the National Cash Register Company, with which he was identified until April, 1922, since when he has devoted his entire attention to his official duties. In the fall of 1920, as a democrat, he was elected justice of the peace of Van Buren Township, and in the fall of 1923 was reelected to the same office, being given the largest majority ever received by a candidate in that township. At this writing (1924) he is a candidate on the democratic ticket for the office of state representative.

While Justice Badgley has discharged all of the duties of his office in a capable and expeditious manner, it has been as a prosecutor of the liquor law violators in Montgomery County that he has come most prominently before the people. A spectacular and sucessful raid and the largest one of its kind ever held in Dayton was one means of bringing him to the forefront, although Justice Badgley had no ulterior motives in so staging the arrests, merely being employed in the fulfillment of his oath of office. That the raid was sensational was because of its size and of the prominence of some of those caught in the law's net. In 1921 Senator Norwood, who then had charge of the Ohio District under Federal Prohibition, Department of Columbus, telegraphed Justice Badgley to meet him on a trip to Dayton. The Senator arriving at 8 p. m., the little party of law enforcers went to the Hotel Gibbons, where twenty-five warrants were issued and signed by Justice Badgley, resulting in forty-eight arrests and as many prosecutions. During the months of April and May, 1922, his court collected over $15,000 in fines for liquor violations; and through cooperation of the state, county and federal officials his court had collected up to date of June 6, 1924, approximately $80,000 in fines from the time he assumed the duties of his office. His work has resulted in a great number of arrests on other charges and several law violators are serving penitentiary sentences, while several members of the Dayton Police Force have been dismissed. Justice Badgley credits a large part of his success to the loyal support of Constable W. J. Sidwell of Van Buren Township. He has always cooperated fully with federal, municipal and county officials, and no officer ever presenting a case in his court has been any other than one duly chosen by the people or otherwise duly appointed by law. He has been absolutely fearless in his prosecutions, and while the liquor dealers have tried everything from bribery to threats of personal violence or death, he has allowed nothing to deter him from what he has seen as the proper action. He is superintendent of the prohibition department of the United Brethren Church, of which he is a member, and reports every three months as to his work. He is a member of the State Magistrates Association and the Magistrates Association of Montgomery County, and is fraternally affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

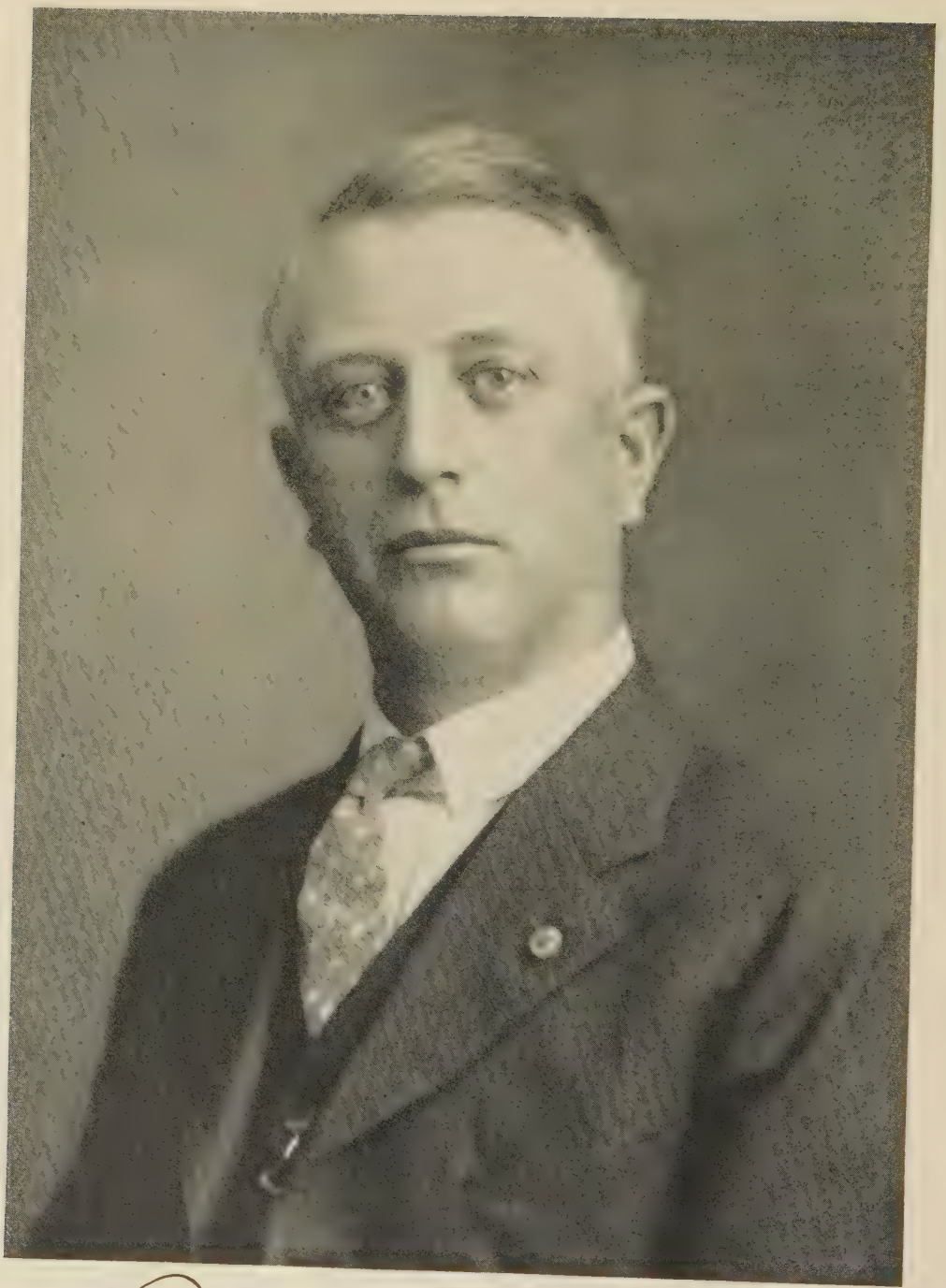
In 1905 Justice Badgley was united in marriage with Miss Josie Smith, of Dayton, Ohio, and to this union there have come five children: Harriet, born in 1910; Mildred, born in 1912; Ruth, born in 1916; Florence, born in 1918; and Albert, born in 1920.

Monroe Township Schools. The Monroe Township Schools of Preble County illustrate the modern tendency toward consolidation and the improvements of rural schools by concentration and organization. Since the rural schools of the township were consolidated they have been conducted in a central building erected in 1916 at a cost of $65,000, containing five rooms for the high school and eight rooms for the grade schools, with a full basement under the entire building. The other features of this building include an assembly room, seating 100, an auditorium, seating 550, manual training and domestic science departments, physics and vocational agricultural laboratories, a gymnasium, 40 by 55 feet, a banquet room and a library.

The children of the township are conveyed to and from school by five automobile trucks and three horse drawn busses. The faculty of instruction and administration of the Monroe Township schools include Mr. Albert Harris, superintendent of the schools, Howard Miltonberger, principal of the high school, P. G. Campbell, director of the vocational agriculture, John Schlotterbeck, assistant to Mr. Campbell, and Ardath White, head of the domestic science department. The director of music is J. J. De Schene, and the teachers in the grades are Elmer Holsinger, Lois Richards, Eva Parks, Fern House, Elene Smith, Loree Marshall and Lilian Jenkins.

Ralph R. Raney. One of the oldest-established and most reliable newspapers of the State of Ohio, and one that has long been influential in political matters as a supporter of democratic principles, is the Eaton Democrat, of which the editor is Ralph R. Raney. Mr. Raney has been identified with newspaper work since the completion of his educational training, and is supplying his readers with a clean and progressive publication.

Ralph R. Raney was born at Portland, Indiana, February 12, 1886, and is a son of Jonathan C. and Charlotte (Archer) Raney. He received his education in the public schools of Portland, where he was graduated from high school in 1903, and immediately became identified with newspaper work. He was variously employed until moving to New Paris, Preble County, Ohio, where he became associated with his brother, Archer R. Raney, on the New Paris-Mirror of that city. Subsequently he changed with his brother to the Eaton Democrat, a bi-weekly publication, and when Archer R. Raney died, October 28, 1922, succeeded him in the position of editor. Archer R. Raney's son, Daryl, is associated with Mr. Raney in the control and management of this enterprise. The Eaton Democrat was founded early in the last century, and has been the leading democratic paper



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of Preble County during all the years of its existence. The Van Ausdal family, whose influence in the early part of the history of the county was a contributing factor to progress, owned the paper prior to 1850, when it was acquired by W. C. Gould. Later L. G. Gould became the owner, and published it until 1870, when Earl H. Irwin bought it. He published it and was editor until it was taken over by Archer R. Raney in 1914. The paper circulates throughout Preble and the surrounding counties, where it has a large subscription list and numerous reliable and bona fide advertisers. The people of this territory have appreciated Mr. Raney's efforts to furnish them with a well-edited, well-printed publication, giving all the news in addition to features, lively locals and timely editorials, and as a result he is receiving their continued support. Mr. Raney has been a democrat since the attainment of his majority, but has not sought public office. He is identified with several of the leading fraternal orders and civic bodies of Eaton, and has played his part, both personally and through the columns of his paper, in the advancement that the city has made during the past several years.

In 1907 Mr. Raney was united in marriage with Miss Florence Winters, daughter of Nathan C. and Martha C. Winters. They have no children.

Howard E. Webster. In the discharge of his duties in the office of sheriff of Montgomery County Howard E. Webster has displayed personal courage, strict integrity and a conscientious endeavor to interpret correctly the laws of the county and to see that they have been maintained. When he entered this office he brought with him a ripe experience which had been acquired in other official capacities, and the result has been that his administration has been one eminently satisfying to the law-abiding element of society.

Sheriff Webster was born August 31, 1871, near Westminster, Carroll County, Maryland, and is a son of Thomas and Ella Webster. Of his father he knows little, save that he was a farmer who died when Howard E. was still an infant, his mother, whose maiden name he does not remember, marrying again and dying, also, when Sheriff Webster was still a lad. His education was precariously acquired and was of the rural school kind, and when he was seventeen years of age he turned his face to the West, eventually arriving in Montgomery County, where he secured employment on a farm. At the end of six months he decided to learn a vocational occupation and, accordingly, in February, 1888, arrived at Dayton, where he applied himself to the mastery of the molder's trade. During the next seven years he followed this occupation as an employe of Kuntz Brothers, then spent four years with the Dayton Malleable Iron Works and for ten years was identified with the Ohio Rake Company. In 1913 he was made a deputy sheriff of Montgomery County, and during the next eight years continued in that capacity under the terms of Sheriffs Edward Leo and William C. Olt. From 1921 he was a salesman for the Pure Oil Company, until taking over the reins of office in the capacity of sheriff, January 1, 1923, having been elected to that office in the fall of 1922. Mr. Webster has given the people an excellent administration. He has a state-wide reputation for having better cooperation from city and township officers, as well as federal officers, than any of his predecessors and as a result of the excellent work of Sheriff Webster and those who have been associated with him. Dayton and Montgomery County now has the reputation of being one of the cleanest cities and counties in the country. Mr. Webster is a staunch democrat in his political views. As a fraternalist he holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He also belongs to the Triangle and Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan clubs, and to the Christian Church of Dayton.

On June 29, 1892, Mr. Webster was united in marriage with Miss Lula E. Jane House, of Dayton, a daughter of Henry and Sarah E. Jane (Linebaugh) House. Mrs. Webster was educated in the public schools, and for several years prior to her marriage was a teacher. She and her husband have had two children, both of whom died in early childhood.

William Seymour Rhodes, M. D. A son of a physician who practiced for a number of years in Athens County, William Seymour Rhodes was graduated from medical college twenty-five years ago, and has had a busy career. His home is at Nelsonville.

He was born in the Village of New England, in Athens County, July 26, 1877, son of Dr. Jehu Miller and Hattie (Curtis) Rhodes. His mother was born in the Western Reserve of Ohio. The paternal grandfather, John Rhodes, was born in Loudoun County, Virginia, in 1795, and was an early settler in Columbiana County, Ohio, where he married Marjorie Moore, a sister of the mother of President William McKinley. John Rhodes later moved to Summerfield, Noble County, where his son Dr. Jehu M. was born. The latter was one of four sons and six daughters. Jehu Miller Rhodes became a soldier in the Seventy-fifth Ohio Infantry during the war. On the first day of the battle of Gettysburg he was wounded, a bullet striking him in the foot. This bullet he carried the remainder of his life, it never having been extracted. The command was 600 strong at the beginning of the Gettysburg engagement, and only seventy survived that terrific ordeal. From the window of a hospital Jehu M. Rhodes witnessed the great Pickett charge. He was one of the soldiers from Ohio that revisited the Gettysburg battlefield fifty years after the battle was fought and helped locate markers. He was mustered out as sergeant major, having given five years service less two days. For a year after the close of the war he was retained on duty on the North Carolina coast. Jehu Miller Rhodes came out of the army a very poor man, and for three years he taught school at Chauncey in Athens County, and for another three years worked for a salt company. He studied medicine in Delaware, also in the office of Doctor McKittrick, and had charge of a country store. He bought and conducted a store at New England, and was in business there when his son William S. was born. Later he finished his medical education in the Old Columbus Medical College, and practiced at Chauncey and Glouster in Southern Ohio, and finally removed to Columbus, where he died in the spring of 1923. His wife passed away in 1912, at the age of sixty-six. J. M. Rhodes was elected director of the Ohio Division of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1897, and served one term. He was active in Grand Army circles, was a republican and a Methodist. He and his wife had five children and three are now living: Jessie M., wife of Samuel Grove, of Gary, Indiana; William S.; and Russell R., a dentist at Columbus.

William Seymour Rhodes graduated from the Glouster High School, and then entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated in 1898, before he was twenty-one years of age. He then engaged in general practice, and for thirteen years was located at Carbon Hill and since then has been at Nelsonville. He has done special work in the New York Post Graduate School of Medicine and Surgery, and has specialized in diseases of women and pathological chemistry. He was honored with election as president of the County Medical Society in 1921, and is a member of the Ohio State and

American Medical associations. He volunteered for service in the Medical Corps during the World war, and in October, 1918, was accepted and sent to Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, and later to Chickamauga Park for training. He received a lieutenant's commission. He was discharged after the armistice.

In 1902 Doctor Rhodes married Miss Nelle N. Minner, daughter of Elijah and Mary (Stitt) Minner, of Youngstown, Ohio. They have one son, William Minner. Doctor and Mrs. Rhodes are members of the Methodist Church, and both are active in Sunday school. He is a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Commandery at Athens, and belongs to the Scottish Rite Consistory and Alhambra Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Chattanooga, Tennessee. He is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Elks, is a republican, and was the first commander of the local post of the American Legion.

William J. Sidwell. In the present era of national liquor prohibition and the consequent violation of the country's laws by an element plenteously furnished with financial backing, and of a desperate character, it requires high courage, both moral and physical, to perform conscientiously the duties demanded by the incumbency of a law-enforcement position. The temptations are so numerous and the work so hazardous that only men of strong character prove successful in the curbing of the criminal element's activities. Among these men is found William J. Sidwell, a resident of Dayton, who at present occupies the positions of constable of Van Buren Township and deputy sheriff of Montgomery County, and who has participated in more arrests for liquor violations than possibly any other constable in the State of Ohio.

Constable Sidwell was born December 12, 1882, at Byrdstown, Pickett County, Tennessee, and is a son of James L. and Linda Belle (Tompkins) Sidwell. His father, whose vocation was that of an agriculturist, served as an United States revenue officer for nine years, and also was a United States marshal of the Medal Division of Tennessee. He is now deceased, and his widow is a resident of Olna, Texas. William J. Sidwell attended the public schools of Byrdstown, and spent his early years in much the same manner as other farmer's sons of his day and locality. At the age of nineteen years he became tired of the daily routine of farm life, and, answering the call of adventure, left the parental roof and enlisted in the United States Regular Army. During the six years that he wore the uniform of his country he saw service with the Forty-eighth Company, Coast Artillery, and Company E of the Twentieth Infantry, but eventually his health failed and he was honorably discharged in 1907, owing to disability. During the next several years Mr. Sidwell worked on ranches in New Mexico, Texas and Colorado, being employed principally as a cow-puncher, and the work served to allow him to regain his lost health. In 1918 he came to Dayton and entered the United States Department of Justice at Flying Field, Morain City, where he remained from 1918 until 1923. In the meantime he was elected constable of Van Buren Township, in 1921, and in 1923 was reelected to that office by the largest vote of any man who had ever been its incumbent. He has assisted and has been largely instrumental in more arrests for liquor violations than possibly any other constable in Ohio. One of the most spectacular of his many raids resulted in the seizure by the authorities of seventy-three barrels of whiskey. Constable Sidwell is a man of unquestioned courage, and possesses those qualities which are necessary for the detection of crime. In addition to being constable he is also serving in the capacity of deputy sheriff of Montgomery County. He belongs to the United Brethren Church, and in politics is a republican. He resides in his own home.

On February 7, 1906, Mr. Sidwell was united in marriage with Miss Matta Ferrl, of Byrdstown, Tennessee, who had been a schoolmate of his youth, and whose father owned an adjoining farm. Samuel Ferrl is still cultivating his Tennessee property, but Mrs. Sidwell's mother died when Mrs. Sidwell was an infant. They are the parents of five children: Earl, born in 1910; James, born in 1914; Daisy, born in 1916; Uler (a daughter), born in 1918; and Catherine, born in 1920.

Carson M. Pratt. A resident of Dayton for nearly thirty years, during this period Carson M. Pratt has become well and favorably known to the people of the city through his connection with some of the community's important interests, as an active member of the republican party and as a progressive citizen, but principally for the work he has accomplished during his incumbency of the office of deputy United States marshal. He has led a busy and interesting career, and his qualities have commended themselves to all fair-minded people who admire strength of character and conscientious performance of duty.

Mr. Pratt was born on a farm near Xenia, Greene County, Ohio, March 31, 1874, and is a son of Frank and Elizabeth (Smith) Pratt, the latter of whom is now deceased. His father, who has devoted his entire life to the pursuits of the soil, is still living, at the advanced age of eighty-four years, one of the prosperous and highly respected retired agriculturists of his county.

Carson M. Pratt attended the public schools of the Town of Spring Valley, Ohio, graduating from the high school there as a member of the class of 1891. He then returned to his home, where he began assisting his father in the duties of the farm, but after four years determined to seek what he considered the broader opportunities of Dayton. Accordingly he took up his residence in this city, becoming an assembler in the plant of the Farmers' Friend Implement Company. When the shop closed Mr. Pratt obtained a position with the Dayton Street Railway Company, with which he was identified for eighteen years as a contractor, and subsequently was a member of the board of health for two years. From 1918 to 1920 he was first assistant sergeant-at-arms of the Ohio Legislature, and in the latter year returned to the business of contracting, in which he continued to be engaged until 1922 when he was appointed deputy assistant United States marshal by former Marshal Michael Devanney. At the time of his retirement Marshal Devanney stated that Mr. Pratt was the best man he had had in his entire twelve years of service as United States marshal. The present marshal, Stanley Barthwick, states that Mr. Pratt is his most trusted man. In addition the people generally have come to recognize Mr. Pratt as one of the ablest law-enforcement officers in Montgomery County and Southern Ohio. In 1924 he announced his candidacy for the office of sheriff, subject to the republican primaries of August of that year. While he has been a member of the republican party all his life, this was his first request for an elective office. For ten years Mr. Pratt served on the republican executive committee, and for five terms was ward representative of his party. Under the administration of Governor Willis he served as state inspector of workshops. Mr. Pratt joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in boyhood, and has maintained his membership without interruption. As a fraternalist he is a thirty-second degree Mason, is a past officer of the Knights of Pythias, of which he has been a representative to the Grand Lodge, and has belonged to the Junior Order of United American Mechanics for the past eighteen

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years. He is also a member of Earnshaw Camp No. 69, Sons of Veterans.

On May 25, 1903, Mr. Pratt was united in marriage with Miss Gertrude Tucker, a daughter of Cass and Sarah (Coppock) Tucker, whose home is at Laura, Miami County, this state. Mrs. Pratt, who is a graduate of the West Milton High School, was a teacher for several years prior to her marriage. She and her husband have no children.

Carl A. Rosser. The lumber industry is one of the most important all over the country, but especially is it one of the basic factors in the business life of Ohio. One of the men who finds in this industry both congenial employment for his capabilities and an expression for his service to commerce, is Carl A. Rosser of Arcanum, secretary and general manager of the business which was founded by his father.

Carl A. Rosser was born at Arcanum, Ohio, in 1876, a son of William F. and Sarah A. Rosser, the former born in 1851 and the latter in 1850, and both were natives of Darke County, Ohio. They had three children: Carl A., Nora B. and Fred E. In 1880 the father founded the business which still bears his name, and from then on the Rossers have been connected with the lumber interests of Darke County.

Growing up in his native county, Carl A. Rosser attended its public schools, was graduated from the Arcanum High School in 1893, and from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1899. His brother F. E. and his sister Nora are graduates, and his three sons are proud to claim the same institution as their alma mater. All five made Delta Tau Delta.

With the death of William F. Rosser in 1906, the business was incorporated, with Carl A. Rosser as secretary and general manager. The company is now associated in its operations with W. H. Francis, of Troy, Ohio, one of the extensive lumber operators of Ohio and Indiana. Mr. Rosser is well-known in Masonry, and belongs to Arcanum Lodge No. 295, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and to Dayton Consistory, in which he has been advanced through the thirty-second degree.

While he was a student of Ohio Wesleyan University Mr. Rosser met his wife, then Miss Miriam P. Hauser, a fellow student, and a daughter of Rev. I. L. Hauser and his wife, Mrs. Jennette E. Hauser, missionaries of the Methodist Episcopal denomination. Prior to entering university Mrs. Rosser had spent nine years in India, where her parents had been stationed. She continues her interest in missionary work, and is now president of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Springfield, Ohio District. She, her husband and children, are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Rosser, namely: Bernard P., Rollin L., Harold A., William F. and Phyllis Miriam. Mr. and Mrs. Rosser have a strong sense of civic responsibility, and give much thought to the ordering of their lives so that they may exert as good an influence as possible over the lives of not only their immediate family, but others in their home community, and their efforts are productive of much of permanent value.

David Orville Heeter. Experienced in merchandising, David Orville Heeter, one of the principal owners and managers of the M. L. Weisenbarger Company, one of the largest stores at Arcanum, is well qualified for his present work, and under his fostering care this concern, now in the twenty-fifth year of its history, is entering upon a new era of expansion and prosperity.

David Orville Heeter was born at Painter Creek, Darke County, Ohio, April 29, 1876, a son of Daniel H. and Catherine (Schneck) Heeter, natives of Ohio and Pennsylvania, respectively. David Orville Heeter is a very well-educated man, for he not only attended the public schools of Arcanum, but Ohio Wesleyan University, the University of Michigan and Ohio Northern University, and was graduated from the latter in 1902, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. For the first seven years following the completion of his education Mr. Heeter taught school, and then for three years was editor and publisher of the Arcanum Times, and for three years served as city clerk. From 1909 to 1922 he served as state examiner in the Ohio State auditor's office. While discharging the duties of the last-named office, at Columbus, he was also interested in the drug business with his brother, the two operating a chain of drug stores at Knoxville. In 1922 he returned to Arcanum to assume his present duties in connection with the M. L. Weisenbarger Company. He is a republican. Well known in Masonry, he is a thirty-second degree Mason, and belongs to the Dayton Consistory. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias. The United Brethren Church is his religious home, and he is liberal in his support of the church.

On May 13, 1902, Mr. Heeter married Miss Pearle Beatrice Albright, a daughter of Daniel S. and Elizabeth (Leedy) Albright. The Albrights are very prominent in the history of Darke County, both past and present. Both Mr. and Mrs. Heeter are numbered among the social leaders of Arcanum, and their pleasant home is often the scene of delightful gatherings when they extend their hospitality to their wide circle of friends.

William Cline. Arcanum has among its most representative citizens men who have already completed their business careers, but who in the midst of their comfortable retirement find opportunity to devote thought and interest to civic matters. One of these men is William Cline, formerly a prominent figure in both business and political circles, but now retired. He is a son of Michael and Martha (Miller) Cline, and one in a family of five children: Henry, Charles, Mary, Edward and William.

While Mr. Cline enjoyed the usual public-school advantages, and also taught school for five years, his greatest source of information has come from his constant reading, and he is recognized as the best-read man in Arcanum, if not in this part of Ohio. There are few subjects with which he is not acquainted, and upon a number of them he is an authority. In his books he is now finding companionship and pleasure formerly acquired from close contact with the marts of trade and the excitements of political strife. For a number of years he was a buyer of leaf tobacco for an eastern concern, and few men of his day were better judges of leaf tobacco. For six years he served Arcanum as postmaster, and handled the affairs of his office in a most capable and satisfactory manner.

In 1900 Mr. Cline married Miss Emma Thomas, a daughter of Samuel and Phebe Thomas, and a member of an old and prominent family of Darke County. Mr. and Mrs. Cline have no children. Mr. Cline was made a Mason many years ago. In every respect he measures up to the highest standards of citizenship, and in him Arcanum possesses a solid and helpful factor, and one upon whom the utmost reliance may be placed under all conditions.

Lloyd Riley Andrews. A native of Athens County and a resident of Glouster for over thirty years, Lloyd Riley Andrews has long been the leading funeral director in that section, and has a business service of the finest character. His standing as a citizen as well as a business man is of the very highest.

He was born on a farm in York Township, Athens County, October 3, 1865, son of Mason and Eve

(Howard) Andrews. His grandfather, David Andrews, came to Southeastern Ohio from Pennsylvania, while the Howards came to Ohio from West Virginia. Mason Andrews, who was born in Ames Township of Athens County, spent his life as a farmer, served for many years as a township trustee, and was a volunteer for service in the Union army at the time of the Civil war, but was rejected. He died in July, 1921, at the age of seventy-six, and his widow now lives in Athens. The three sons besides Lloyd R. are: William, who owns a music store at Athens, is a musician and is leader of the choir of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Ira, a mine worker, lives at Glouster; and Jay C., of Columbus, Ohio.

Lloyd Riley Andrews was reared on the farm in York Township, attended country schools and Ohio University, and for seven years he was a teacher. He came to Glouster in 1891 and entered the service of the Sunday Creek Hardware Company, which operated stores at Glouster and Trimble. Mr. Andrews was promoted to manager of the Glouster store. One department of the business was undertaking, and Mr. Andrews gradually took more and more responsibilities in this department. He completed a course in embalming in 1899, and subsequently had further training in the Columbus branch of the Massachusetts School of Embalming. Since 1903 he has been in the undertaking business for himself, and has a thoroughly complete and efficient organization.

Mr. Andrews served as a member of the Glouster School Board for twenty years, until 1922. He has assisted in every movement for material and moral improvement. He has been an active worker in the cause of prohibition. He is a member of the official board of the Methodist Church, a superintendent of the Sunday school, and fraternally is a member of the Masons, Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Red Men.

In 1885 Mr. Andrews married Miss Lizzie B. Wolfe, daughter of Joseph Wolfe. Mr. and Mrs. Andrews grew up on adjoining farms and they went to the same school. They have three daughters: Addie M., wife of R. J. Webber, cashier of the First National Bank of Glouster; Florence E., who for sixteen years taught school, and is now the wife of Howard H. Wells, of Glouster; and Nellie Belle, wife of D. Ward Forrest, who is head of the Forrest Laundry at Columbus. The daughters all attended Ohio University at Athens. Mr. Andrews has written considerable verse and has published a small volume entitled "Home Made Poems."

ANTHONY E. CLINE. After many years of profitable operation in the leaf tobacco industry Anthony E. Cline, familiarly known as Ed, is now devoting his time and attention to his civic duties, and serving his third term as mayor of Arcanum. His interest in the city which has been his home during the greater portion of his life is sincere, and to him and his good judgment and progressive methods are due much of the present prosperity of the city.

Mayor Cline was born at Clayton, Montgomery County, Ohio, April 13, 1857, a son of Michael and Martha (Miller) Cline. Michael Cline was born in Hampshire County, West Virginia, January 20, 1811. He came to Ohio in 1835 and located in Clayton, where he engaged at his trade as a cooper. He married Martha Miller, who was born in Preble County, Ohio, in 1825. Michael Cline moved with his family to Arcanum, in Darke County, in 1866, spending the remainder of his days there and becoming an important factor in the upbuilding of the community. He died November 28, 1888, his widow surviving him until April 1, 1895. To them had been born six children, five of whom reached maturity.

Although his educational advantages were confined to those offered by the public schools, Mayor Cline is a well informed man, for he has learned much from observation and contact with men of affairs. Until within a few years ago he was engaged in the leaf tobacco business, and is recognized as one of the best and shrewdest judges of leaf tobacco in Ohio. In 1892 he assisted in organizing the First National Bank of Arcanum, and served it as a director from 1904 to 1919, and has never lost his interest in its growth and continued prosperity. Other local enterprises have received his support, and nothing of merit fails to attract his attention. For many years he has been very active in the local republican party, and in 1904 was elected mayor of Arcanum, and has twice been reelected. Under his several administrations a number of improvements have been inaugurated, or carried to completion, and he has other plans for a still further expansion. Prior to his election as mayor he had served for twelve years as a member of the city council, so that his association with municipal affairs has been a long and useful one. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Knight Templar and a Shriner. Has served as master of Arcanum Lodge No. 295, and as high priest of Arcanum Chapter No. 218, Royal Arch Masons.

On November 22, 1891, he married Cora J. Long, of Darke County, and a daughter of Daniel and Barbara (Shilt) Long. She is a devout member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Arcanum, and active in its affairs. There are few men in Darke County who are as well known and none stand any higher in public esteem than does his Honor, the Mayor of Arcanum.

SAMUEL JEFFERSON ERISMAN. Among the older business men of Arcanum, Ohio, are those who are well qualified to tell its real commercial history, its earlier problems and its business successes, and one who for many years assisted in building up the prestige of the town, through connection with one of its largest mercantile enterprises, is Samuel Jefferson Erisman, a well known and highly respected retired citizen.

Mr. Erisman was born in 1849, on his father's farm in Darke County, Ohio, north of Greenville, son of Henry and Mary Jane Erisman, the former of whom was born in Pennsylvania, of Swiss ancestry, and the latter in Ohio, of German parentage, all most worthy, industrious people, mainly following farm pursuits. Such people, these early settlers in Darke County, built churches, established schoolhouses, and set an example of thrift and industry worthy of emulation.

Samuel Jefferson Erisman attended the district schools and helped his father on the farm until old enough to make choice of a preferred career, when he became a clerk in a store in the neighboring town of Gettysburg, and in 1874 was employed in W. H. Anderson's store, at that time the largest of its kind in the City of Cincinnati. In the spring of 1875 he came back to Gettysburg and remained a year, and in 1876, with quite a bit of mercantile training behind him, became associated with the John Smith Company at Arcanum, with which solid business house he continued for the next thirty-two years. After leaving the John Smith Hardware Company Mr. Erisman practically retired from business life, but in many other ways he has been an active citizen. He has served with good judgment and efficiency on the city council, for a number of years was a member of the school board, and in other ways cooperated with his fellow citizens to promote the welfare of Arcanum.

Mr. Erisman married Miss Rozella Foren, and they have five children, three daughters and two

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sons: Fay, who is the wife of Waldo A. Baker, of Dayton, Ohio; Ray, who married Bertha Shedd; Ruth V., who is assistant cashier of the Bell Telephone Company at Dayton; Helen and Lloyd, who reside with their parents at Arcanum. Mr. Erisman and his family belong to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, with membership at Dayton, Ohio, and has been a member of the order of Odd Fellows for fifty-two years.

William P. Meyer is a funeral director, with a well located and well equipped business at Dayton. Mr. Meyer was born in Mercer Conuty, Ohio, July 28, 1889, son of Jacob and Frances (Egger) Meyer. His father was a farmer who died in 1908, while the mother is still living.

William P. Meyer attended rural schools in Mercer County, having the farm as his boyhood environment. His education was continued in the Ohio Mechanics Institute at Cincinnati, and in 1910 he graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming, being licensed as an embalmer under state laws in the same year. For eighteen months he was employed by the undertaking firm of Vitt and Stermer at Cincinnati, and for about a year was with John J. Gilligan in the same city. In 1914 Mr. Meyer engaged in business for himself at Chickasaw, Ohio, remaining there until 1922, when he came to Dayton and bought out the business of W. R. Smith, which had been established in 1906. He keeps a complete service, including ambulance and all the facilities of a modern funeral director. His funeral parlors are located at 604 Washington Street.

Mr. Meyer is a Catholic and a member of the Knights of Columbus and Eagles. In 1917 he married Miss Stella Dahlinghaus, of Maria Stein, Ohio, daughter of Joseph and Minnie (Fleck) Dahlinghaus. Mrs. Meyer was educated in country schools and is a member of the Catholic Ladies of Columbus.

Herbert C. Mundhenk, M. D. Earnest study and able and efficient professional stewardship have marked the service of Doctor Mundhenk as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Montgomery County, where he is established in active general practice in the attractive little city of Brookville. Here he was born and reared, and here both as a citizen and a physician he is well upholding the honors of the family name, his father having been for more than forty years one of the prominent and revered physicians and surgeons at Brookville.

Dr. Herbert C. Mundhenk was born at Brookville on the 11th of August, 1877, and is a son of Dr. William S. and Emma (Connor) Mundhenk, the former of whom here died in the year 1919, and the latter still maintains her home here. Dr. William S. Mundhenk was graduated from Ohio College of Medicine of Cincinnati, and was one of the venerable and honored physicians and surgeons of Montgomery County at the time of his death.

In 1895 Dr. Herbert C. Mundhenk was graduated from the Brookville High School, and in 1899 he was graduated from Ohio State University, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In preparation for his chosen profession, one that had been dignified by the character and prolonged service of his father, he entered historic old Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1902. After receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he served for some time as an interne in a Philadelphia hospital, and he has since taken post-graduate work in both Jefferson Medical College, his alma mater, and in the medical department of Harvard University. In his native city and county he has built up a large and representative general practice, and here he is local medical examiner for about thirty leading life-insurance companies. He has active membership in the Montgomery County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, is a Knight Templar and a member of the Mystic Shrine, and is affiliated also with the Alpha Tau Omega college fraternity.

The year 1903 recorded the marriage of Doctor Mundhenk and Miss Jane Jenks, daughter of John W. and Helen (Webb) Jenks, who were at that time residents of Logansport, Indiana, but who now maintain their home at Brookville, Ohio, Mr. Jenks having been for many years in the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Mrs. Mundhenk was graduated from the high school at Logansport, Indiana, is a leader in the social activities of her home community, is affiliated with the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and is an active member of the Presbyterian Church. William J., eldest of the children of doctor and Mrs. Mundhenk, was graduated from the Staunton Military Institute, Staunton, Virginia, as a member of the class of 1923, and at the time of this writing, in 1924, is a member of the freshman class of Ohio State University. Marian is a student in the Junior High School at Brookville and Helen Jane likewise is attending the public schools of Brookville.

Errett LeFever, M. D. Widely known in Morgan and Athens counties for his able services as a physician and surgeon, a profession he has followed for a third of a century, Doctor LeFever in both counties has been active in politics, and has served in both houses of the Legislature. He is present state senator from Athens County.

Doctor LeFever was born February 13, 1867. His birthplace was a log house that then stood on the LeFever farm near Bishopville in Horner Township, Morgan County, Ohio. He is a son of Isaac P. and Basha Jane (Shepard) LeFever. Isaac P. LeFever was born in Butler County, Pennsylvania, and at the age of eight years was brought by his father, Isaac LeFever, and by the rest of the family to Ohio. They traveled on a raft down the Ohio River as far as Blennerhassett's Island and thence cut their way through the woods to Athens County. They made settlement in Trimble Township. Isaac P. LeFever married Basha Jane Shepard, a native of Morgan County, Ohio, and after their marriage they lived in Morgan County. Isaac P. LeFever was a carpenter and builder, and one of the expert old mechanics whose skill with edged tools has become almost a lost art in the modern generation. He could go into the woods and cut the trees, hew out the logs and other timbers and erect the complete building down to the finest details. He built houses, barns, schools, churches and bridges all over this section of Ohio. He was a republican in politics, and was a charter member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge at Mountville. His wife for a number of years was a school teacher, and was a member of the Christian Church. Isaac P. LeFever died in 1914, at the age of eighty-three, and his wife also passed away at the age of eighty-three, in 1922. They had three children: Dr. Errett; Dr. E. W., who lives at Marietta, Ohio; and Mrs. O. E. Carr, of Glouster.

Errett LeFever was reared in Morgan County, and his first educational advantages were supplied at home by his mother. After that he attended district schools, normal schools and Ohio University. For five years he was a teacher, using his earnings to gain his higher education. Doctor LeFever in 1890 graduated Doctor of Medicine from the Medical College of Ohio, and in later years has taken a number of post-graduate courses. He attended the Cook County Hospital in Chicago, and had private instruction in

New York City. After graduating in medicine Doctor LeFever began practice at Mountville, near his old home, and since 1906 has had a large practice at Glouster in Athens County. He is a member of the Athens County and Ohio State Medical associations.

Doctor LeFever has always been a republican, though he supported Roosevelt in the progressive campaign of 1912. He was elected to represent Morgan County in the General Assembly in the Seventy-fourth and Seventy-sixth sessions. In 1920 he was elected a member of the State Senate for the Eighty-fourth Session, and was reelected for the Eighty-fifth Session. He is a member of some of the important Senate committees. While a representative from Morgan County he was associated with such prominent Ohio men as the late President Harding, Carmi Thompson, Ralph Cole, Nicholas Longworth and Frank Willis. Doctor LeFever is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus, and is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Moose.

He married in 1890 Miss Julia Howard, daughter of Samuel Howard, of Morgan County. She lived only five months after their marriage. In 1898 Doctor LeFever married Miss Lola Howard, a cousin of his first wife, and daughter of Alfred Howard, of Morgan County. They have two children, Harry Everett and Ruth LeFever. The son is a graduate of Ohio University, Bachelor of Arts degree. He is also a graduate of Culver Military Academy of Indiana, and at the age of eighteen was commissioned an officer in the United States Navy during the World war. He is now a student of his father's profession at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. The daughter Ruth is a student at the Columbus Art School and the Office Training School of the same city.

Elizabeth E. Leonard osteopathic physician at Dayton, is a native of Ohio, and is one of the highly educated and talented women in professional life in the state.

She was born at Delaware, Ohio, January 5, 1887. Her parents, Caleb and Anna (Eastman) Leonard, residents of Delaware, have been identified with that community all their lives. Her father was a live stock raiser and dealer, and for many years has been well known as a live stock judge at state fairs and exhibitions.

Elizabeth E. Leonard attended the grammar and public schools of Delaware, the Ohio Wesleyan University and the School of Physical Education of Chatauqua, New York. Her professional training was gained in the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri, where she graduated with the class of 1917, and she did post-graduate work in 1918. Her first practice was at Marietta, Ohio, where she remained two years, and since 1920 she has been located at Dayton. For a year and a half she was associated with Dr. W. A. Gravett, then secretary of the American Osteopathic Association, and since then has maintained offices of her own in the Reibold Building.

Doctor Leonard is a member of the Ohio State and National Osteopathic associations, the Dayton District Osteopathic Society and the Osteopathic Women's National Association. Locally she is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Altrusa Club, the Dayton Woman's Club, the Business and Professional Woman's Club, Young Women's Christian Association, the Young Woman's League, Acacia Chapter, Eastern Star, and the Methodist Church. She is also medical examiner for the Pride of Dayton Temple No. 367, of the Pythian Sisters. She is deeply interested in educational affairs, and has delivered educational lectures before many gatherings in the city. A free clinic for the examination and treatment of poor children is conducted weekly by Doctor Leonard.

Doctor Leonard, on September 15, 1923, was married to Forrest Esty Winchel, of Dayton. Her husband is secretary of the Army and Navy Department of the Young Men's Christian Association at Dayton.

Joseph W. Sharts of Dayton, who was nominated candidate for governor of Ohio on the socialist ticket in 1924, is a lawyer by profession and has for many years been nationally known through his efforts in behalf of the working classes and through his work as a literary man.

He was born at Hamilton, Ohio, September 14, 1875. His father, Joseph William Sharts, was at that time a young lawyer, practicing in partnership with James E. Neal. He died about the time his son was born. One of his friends was James E. Campbell, who afterwards became governor of Ohio, and who sat up with him the night he died. The mother of Joseph W. Sharts was Sarah Belle Ealy, a daughter of Dr. Elijah Ealy, a prominent physician of Dayton, to which city, after the death of her husband, she removed with her two sons, Stanley R. and Joseph W. She became a school teacher, and made a brave struggle to support her little family, being assisted later by a pension, given on account of her husband's service in the army during the Civil war.

While a schoolboy in Dayton Joseph W. Sharts carried papers for the Herald as a means of self-support. He was a pupil in the old Brown Street School, under Mr. Wilson, the principal, and in 1893 graduated with the last class from the old Central High School. The principal was Captain Stivers. His chief ambition at that time was to go to college. By studying during the summer following his graduation from high school he was able to pass the entrance examination to Harvard University the next fall. He went East with Harry M. Lydenberg, who had graduated from high school in 1892. Both these young students were poor and practically worked their way through college. They graduated in the class of 1897, Mr. Sharts with the Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude. Young Lydenberg almost immediately found his life career in the New York Public Library, of which he is now practically the executive head. Mr. Sharts had completed the four-year academic course in three years, the last year being spent in the Harvard Law School. After a summer of work in a Michigan lumber camp he entered the law offices of Col. James E. Neal, of Cincinnati. Colonel Neal had been his father's law partner and had served as United States consul at Liverpool. Mr. Sharts was a law student under him until the outbreak of the Spanish-American war, when in April, 1898, he went out with the First Ohio Infantry as corporal of Company C, under Captain Havlin. After the signing of the protocol marking the end of the war in Cuba, he was brought home on what was known as the Bushnell hospital train, of which Dayton's republican boss, Dr. Joseph E. Lowes, had charge. On being mustered out he resumed his law studies and was admitted to the bar in 1899.

Mr. Sharts soon discovered that he could make more money by literature than by law, and, giving up his practice for a number of years, he made his living almost entirely by his pen. Most of those years were spent in Chicago and Washington. His first book, "Ezra Caine," was published in 1900, being followed by "The Romance of a Rouge" in 1902, and "The Hills of Freedom" in 1904. For about nine months Mr. Sharts lived on a small ranch which he had bought at Escondido, California, near

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San Diego. He went there for his health. While there he encountered a man named Frank Hulme, a one-eyed Iowa farmer, whom Mr. Sharts calls one of the brainiest men he ever met. It was through his influence that Mr. Sharts became a socialist, and on his return to Dayton in 1909 he joined the socialist party. The same year he published "The Black Sheep," and in 1911, "The Vintage." What he regards as his best work was "The King Who Came," published in 1913. Since then the only literary work of permanent value that he has done was a short history of Dayton, published through the socialist paper in 1922. However, he has been editing the Miami Valley Socialist, a weekly publication at Dayton, since it was founded in 1911, and which is now the official organ of the socialist party, and also of Indiana. Mr. Sharts has been author of its editorials, and through these has repeatedly expressed his political views. It was at the state convention of the socialist party, at Cleveland, on March 1, 1924, that he was nominated for governor.

His literary career for a livelihood terminated about the time of the flood of March, 1913. Soon afterwards the expenses and demands made upon his time by socialist activities caused him to open a law office and reengage in that practice in 1915. He has had a successful practice, in the ordinary sense, and his work as an attorney has brought him connections with many notable cases. Early in the World war he was attorney for the defense of Ruthenberg, Wagenkneckt and Baker on the charge of inducing a man not to register for the draft, the case being tried before Federal Judge Westenhaver of Cleveland. In this trial he was associated with Morris H. Wolfe. After the three men were sentenced they took the case on error to the United States Supreme Court, where it was grouped with a number of others involving the same constitutional questions on the draft act. A large number of lawyers were engaged, Mr. Sharts and his associates being allowed only one hour to present their arguments, and he was selected to make the opening and the closing argument for the plaintiff in error. The plea failed and the three men were sent to the Stark County workhouse. At the state picnic of the socialist party in the summer of 1918 Eugene V. Debs was the orator of the day. He had been allowed to visit the three socialist prisoners, and on coming from the workhouse and taking the platform he made a glancing reference to them as paying the penalty for their devotion to the working class. This was the speech which caused his indictment for having obstructed the draft. In the trial at Cleveland Mr. Sharts was one of his counsel. Mr. Sharts also defended thirteen socialists at Cincinnati on a charge of conspiring to defraud the Government by obstructing the draft, this case being known as United States vs. Thomas Hammerschmidt, Lotta, Burke, et al. That case was decided in favor of the defendants in the United States Supreme Court in 1924, and was probably the only war case on record in which a jury brought in a recommendation for mercy. In this trial Mr. Sharts was associated with Edward Alexander of Cincinnati. Mr. Sharts was also counsel for Frank B. Hamilton, mayor of Piqua, and several other city officials who were arrested during the war on an attempt by republican and democratic politicians to railroad them to the penitentiary in order to get rid of the socialist administration. In the preliminary examination Mr. Sharts and his associates had discovered enough evidence of a frameup to compel the Department of Justice at Washington to drop the proceedings. In May, 1924, Mr. Sharts defended Bishop Brown in the celebrated heresy trial at Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Sharts married, July 7, 1915, Miss Ruth Helfenstein, daughter of Rev. S. Q. Helfenstein. They have one son, Joseph, born December 28, 1916.

Andrew Jackson Crawford, M. D. A young man recently graduated from medical school, and with special training in surgery, Doctor Crawford chose the little Village of Glouster in Athens County, then consisting of about a half dozen houses, as the scene of his professional work. Here he found his opportunities, has been in practice for over a third of a century with unusual success, and is one of the most highly esteemed residents of that now important community.

Doctor Crawford has spent all his life in the mining district of Southeastern Ohio. He was born not many miles from his present home, at New Straitsville in Perry County, March 24, 1861. His birthplace was a farm. His parents were William and Elizabeth (Teal) Crawford, of Perry County. His father was a successful farmer, and sold his farm, underlaid with coal, to the C. H. and I. C. Coal Company. He died in 1886, at the age of sixty-nine, and his wife in 1893, aged seventy-two. They were devout Methodists, and he helped lay the foundation for the first Methodist Church at Straitsville. Doctor Crawford was one of three sons. His brother Harrison is a farmer in the old home community. William was a small coal producer in Perry County.

During his boyhood Andrew Jackson Crawford attended the old red school house on his father's farm known as the Crawford School. Later he was a student in the high school at Straitsville. Work on the farm was the chief source of the money which paid his way through medical college. Doctor Crawford took his medical course in the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, graduating in 1886. For two years he remained in Baltimore, employed in the City Hospital, and specialized both in surgery and diseases of women. In 1913 he went back to his old college at Baltimore for post-graduate work in surgery. During the many years he has been located at Glouster he has handled innumerable cases of minor and major surgery, largely as part of his mining practice. He is also surgeon for the New York Central Railway. He is a member of the Athens County and American Medical associations, is a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Improved Order of Red Men. He is a charter member of the Knights of Pythias lodge. In politics he is a republican, and for two terms was a member of the town council of Glouster, and he represented his county in the State Legislature during the Seventy-sixth, Seventy-seventh and Seventy-eighth sessions. He served on a number of important committees in the Assembly.

February 14, 1889, Doctor Crawford married Miss Ella L. Jones. Her father, Col. J. W. Jones, was United States pension agent for the State of Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Crawford have one daughter, Helen, who is a graduate of Campbell and Hagerman College at Lexington, Kentucky, and is a teacher in the Glouster High School. In 1923 she made a tour of Europe, including the battle lines of France.

Electra Collins Doren. In the profession of library work Electra Collins Doren has honors and distinctions of service such as have been achieved by few women librarians in Ohio. For some years her duties took her to other states and cities, but the greater part of her service has been given to the library of her home city, and in 1913, after the great flood of that year, she was recalled to the responsibilities of librarian, a post she continues to fill.

She was born at Georgetown, Ohio, December 4, 1861, daughter of John Gates and Elizabeth (Bragdon) Doren. John Gates Doren was one of the distinguished editors and public men of Ohio in the last century. He was born at Athens, Tennessee, in 1834, and when ten years of age his parents moved to Xenia, Ohio. His education and tastes took him early into the field of newspaper work, and at one time he was editor and owner of the Daily Democrat, the forerunner of the present Dayton News. His ability as a writer brought him to the attention of Samuel Medary, who served as a territorial governor of Kansas. Mr. Medary made him managing editor of the Ohio Statesman in 1857, and he became official reporter of the Ohio Legislature in 1861 and was appointed private secretary to the secretary of the treasury, Salmon P. Chase, at Washington, D. C., an office he held during the early part of the Civil war. He then returned to journalism and the study of law, and graduated from the Cincinnati Law School in 1865. In that year he succeeded G. M. D. Bloss as editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer, holding that position until 1870. From 1877 to 1879 he served as journal clerk to the House of Representatives. Many other positions of trust were given him, and he continued his work as a writer for magazines and newspapers until the date of his death, March 8, 1916. He died in his beautiful home in Morningside, on the Salem Pike, near Dayton. He married, February 23, 1861, Elizabeth Bragdon, who was reared and educated at Hillsboro, Ohio.

Electra Collins Doren accompanied her parents to Dayton in 1870, and was educated in the public schools there, including high school, in the Cooper Seminary, under Principal J. A. Roberts, and also had private tutors in German, French and Italian. One year was spent abroad in study in France, England, Switzerland and Italy. During her high school course, while her father was at Washington acting as general clerk to the House of Representatives, she assisted in the work of indexing the House Journal.

It was upon the recommendation of Captain Stivers, principal of the high school, that she was elected assistant librarian, beginning her duties in June, 1880. The Dayton Public Library was at that time housed in the Market House and was under the jurisdiction of the board of education. Miss Doren's first work was undertaking an analytic dictionary card catalog of 20,000 volumes, which was completed and published under her supervision in 1884. In 1887 the public library came under the administration of a separate board of library trustees, and in January, 1888, the public library was moved from the Market House to its present building in Cooper Park. As assistant librarian Miss Doren had much pioneer work to do in laying the foundations for a larger library service. In 1896 she was elected librarian, and her first act was to establish the two-year library class, and a general reorganization of the main library followed, including the establishment of school branch community libraries in 1903.

In February, 1905, Miss Doren resigned as librarian to become director of the Western Reserve University Library School, her successor for eight years being Miss Linda M. Clatworthy. It was during this period, in 1911, that Andrew Carnegie made a gift of $50,000 for the establishment of the East and West Carnegie branch libraries. In September, 1913, Miss Doren was called again to the librarianship to rebuild the book collection from the remnant left by the flood of March 25, 1913, and to reestablish the personnel organization and a new chain of branch libraries. During the last decade the library facilities have been increased over 500 per cent. During the World war period the library supplied a special service to the Wright and McCook fields at Dayton, and from 1917 to 1920 Miss Doren served on the American Library Association War Service Committee, and also upon its executive board.

In addition to her duties as head instructor of the Library School of Western Reserve University during 1905-06 Miss Doren has accepted many special responsibilities in the library profession and has contributed to library publications. She spent part of the year 1899 visiting English and Continental libraries, and the following year visited many of the libraries of the western states, as far as San Francisco. She was lecturer of the Pittsburgh Carnegie Library School in 1903-05. Her home is the old family residence, Morningside, at Dayton.

Daniel J. Mahoney, who maintains his home and official headquarters in the City of Dayton, the fine metropolis and judicial center of Montgomery County, is a prominent figure in connection with newspaper enterprise in Ohio. He holds the important executive office of general manager of the General News League, the constituent organization of which comprises the following named newspapers: the Dayton News, Dayton, Ohio; the Canton News, Canton, Ohio; the Springfield News, Springfield, Ohio; and the Miami-Metropolis News, in the State of Florida. All of these papers are owned and controlled by the organization of which Hon. James E. Cox, former governor of Ohio, is the executive head.

Mr. Mahoney was born at Springfield, the capital city of Illinois, on the 13th of October, 1889, and is a son of William and Catherine (Walsh) Mahoney, his father, now retired, having formerly been engaged in the grocery business and also the real estate business. In the public schools of his native city Mr. Mahoney continued his studies until his graduation from high school in 1905, and thereafter he was for one year a student in the University of Illinois. His ambition to prepare himself for engineering work led him to give much time to study and investigation along this line during a period which he devoted largely to travel. From Illinois he made his way to Kansas City, thence to the Pacific Coast, and finally he visited Honolulu and various parts of the Orient. He passed four years on the Pacific Coast of Mexico, where he was identified with surveying work for the Southern Pacific Railroad, he having made his departure from Mexico at the outbreak of the revolution in that country. In 1912 he engaged in the automobile business in the City of Denver, Colorado, in which line of enterprise he there continued until the nation became involved in the World war, when he promptly subordinated all personal interests to respond to the call of patriotism. In 1917 he entered the Officers' Training Camp at Fort Riley, Kansas, later being transferred to Camp Funston, that state. As a lieutenant in the Three Hundred Fifty-fourth United States Infantry he entered upon active service with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. He took part in the now historic St. Mihiel, Argonne-Meuse drives or campaigns, and after having been eleven months in overseas service he returned home, where he was honorably discharged, with the rank of captain. He is now a captain in the Reserve Corps of the United States Army.

After the close of his service as a soldier in the World war Mr. Mahoney established his residence at Dayton, Ohio, where he became manager of the foreign advertising department of the Dayton Daily News. Eighteen months later he was advanced to the position of general manager of this paper, and in this capacity he continued his effective service until his promotion to his present executive office, that of general manager of the General News League.

John A. Frick.

Within the year 1923 the plant of the Dayton Daily News was completely remodeled, at an expenditure of more than $1,000,000, and it is now one of the model newspaper plants of the United States. The attractive offices of the News have marble walls and floors, new high-speed elevators have been installed in the building, and the modern Unitype presses of the establishment have a capacity for the output of 120,000 papers hourly. The pressroom is conceded to be the finest in the United States, with a ceiling twenty-three feet in height, with the most modern type of conveyors to transport forms to the presses; Cutler-Hammer conveyor to carry the papers from the presses to the mailing room; new stereotyping plant, with a capacity of six plates a minute; and with all other facilities and accessories that contribute to making this one of the best, if not the best, newspaper plants in the Union. It is in the building of the Dayton News that Mr. Mahoney maintains his executive headquarters.

Mr. Mahoney is a stalwart in the camp of the democratic party, is a communicant of the Catholic Church, is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, and at Dayton he holds membership in the Bicycle Club, the City Club, the Rotary Club and the Country Club. He is a member also of the Miami Hunt and Polo Club, the Miami Valley Golf Club, and the Buzz Fuzz Club.

On the 26th of January, 1918, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Mahoney and Miss Helen Harding Cox, only daughter of Hon. James E. Cox, former governor of Ohio and democratic candidate for president of the United States in the campaign of 1920. The death of Mrs. Mahoney, a talented and gracious young gentlewoman who was loved by all who came within the sphere of her influence, occurred on the 16th of May, 1921.

William Henry McMaster, president of Mount Union College at Alliance, was born in Centerville, Ohio, September 17, 1875, son of Dr. James Nelson and Susan Elizabeth (Neff) McMaster. He took his Bachelor of Philosophy degree at Mount Union College in 1899, graduated Bachelor of Divinity from the Drew Theological Seminary in 1902, was a student in the United Free Church College at Glasgow, Scotland for a year, and in 1905 received the Master of Arts degree from the New York University. Ohio Wesleyan University, in recognition of his services through Methodism and the cause of education, gave him the Doctor of Divinity degree in 1911.

He was ordained to the Methodist ministry in 1889, and held pastorates in New York City and Brooklyn for ten years. In 1909 he accepted the post of president of Mount Union College. He is vice president of the Ohio Council of Churches and was a member of the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1920 and 1924. He married Isabella Mills of Cleveland May 8, 1907.

Elmer Burritt Bryan, president of the Ohio University at Athens, has a long and distinguished record as an educator to his credit. He is a native of Ohio, born at Van Wert, April 23, 1865, son of Daniel and Mary Elizabeth (Beeler) Bryan. He graduated from the Indiana State Normal School in 1889, from the Indiana University in 1893, and subsequently pursued post-graduate studies at the Harvard and Clark universities. From the age of seventeen, and for a period of ten years, while getting his higher education, he taught in common and high schools in Indiana. He was principal of the Kokomo High School, teacher in the Manual Training High School at Indianapolis, and in 1896-97 professor of social and educational science in Butler College at Indianapolis. He was a member of the faculty of the Indiana University from 1897 to 1901, and from 1901 to 1903 was principal of the Insular Normal School, and from January 1, to August 13, 1903, general superintendent of education in the Philippine Islands. On returning to the United States, he resumed his work at Indiana University, and from 1905 to 1909 was president of Franklin College in Indiana, and from 1909 to 1921 was president of Colgate University. In 1921, he took the chair of president of the Indiana University. He is a member of the national education association, and among many contributions to educational literature, is author of two books, "The Basis of Practical Teaching" and "Fundamental Facts for the Teacher." He married Margaret L. Scott of Kokomo, Indiana, June 28, 1889.

Israel Moore Foster, congressman from the Tenth Ohio District, was born at Athens, Ohio, January 12, 1873, son of Franklin E. and Mary (Rice) Foster. He is a graduate of Ohio University with the class of 1895, studied law in Harvard University, and took his law degree from the Ohio State University law school at Columbus in 1898. He began practice at Athens the same year. He served as secretary of the Republican State Central Committee in 1912, was prosecuting attorney of Athens County three terms, from 1902 to 1910, and in 1918 was elected to represent the Tenth Ohio District in the Sixty-sixth Congress. He was reelected for the Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth Congresses. He was trustee fifteen years of the Ohio University, and is local chairman of the Military Training Camps Association. He married at Athens, October 26, 1898, Francis Bayard Whitman.

John A. Feick. With a reputation far exceeding local boundaries, John A. Feick, of Sandusky, is one of the most representative of the contractors and builders of Erie County, and a citizen of high standing. He was born at Sandusky, January 28, 1862, a son of Adam and Johanna (Fulton) Feick, natives of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, and Pennsylvania, respectively. In 1858 the father joined a brother at Sandusky, and became a carpenter and builder of this city, although he had learned the trade of wagonmaking in his native land. His family was an important one, as his father, John F. Feick, served as a burgomaster. Adam Feick died at Sandusky in 1899, and his widow, who survived him ten years, passed away in 1909.

John A. Feick attended a German Lutheran school, and for two years was a student of the public schools of Sandusky. Brought up in the carpentering and contracting business, he has continued in it, and has been connected with some very extensive building operations. For some years he was in partnership with an uncle, George Feick, and they had the contract for building the State Capitol of Wyoming, also a large sugar plant and several irrigation projects in Wyoming. They were the contractors who built Sugar City, Colorado, and the Law Building of Ohio State University. They also built three of the large buildings of Oberlin College, as well as other important construction work throughout this and adjoining states. From 1901 to 1914 Mr. Feick continued in business alone, but in the latter year took his son, John Charles, into a full partnership with him. He is a director of the Third National Bank, president of the Lake City Mortgage Company, vice president of the Brown Clutch Company, president of the Sandusky Development Company, and is connected with numerous other local enterprises.

On November 17, 1884, Mr. Feick married Elizabeth Zipfel, of Sandusky, a daughter of Constantine and Mary (Daniel) Zipfel, natives of Baden, Ger-

many, and Sandusky, Ohio, respectively. One son, John Charles, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Feick. He married Meyletta Tanbert, of Sandusky, and they have three children: Mary, John and Edward. The son resides with his parents.

Mr. Feick belongs to the Episcopal Church. Active as a republican, he served as a member of the city council, has been chairman of the county central committee of his party, and in 1916 was a delegate from the thirteenth district to the National Convention. He is a thirty-second degree and Shriner Mason, and also belongs to the Loyal Order of Moose, the Sandusky Auto Club, the Plum Creek Country Club, and was president and is now a director of the Sunyendeand Club, and president of the Builders and Traders Exchange. During all of his extensive building operations Mr. Feick has continued to live up to the high standard raised by his father, and enjoys today a reputation for efficiency and reliability second to none in his line in the state.

Roscoe Conkling McCulloch, of Canton, was born at Millersburg, in Holmes County, November 27, 1880, son of John and Mathilde (Harpster) McCulloch. He was educated in public schools, in Wooster University, studied law at Ohio State and Western Reserve universities, and was admitted to the bar in 1903. Since that year he has practiced at Canton, and he was first assistant prosecuting attorney of Stark County three years, and in 1912 was a candidate for Congress in the old Eighteenth Ohio District. In 1914 he was elected to the Sixty-fourth Congress to represent the Sixteenth Ohio District, and served three terms, until 1921. In 1920 he was candidate for the republican nomination for governor. He married Helen Herbruck of Canton.

Myron T. Herrick, whose many public services have made him one of Ohio's most distinguished citizens, was born at Huntington, Ohio, October 9, 1854, son of Timothy R. and Mary L. Herrick. He was educated in Oberlin College, Ohio Wesleyan University, and has received honorary degrees from four or five of the large American universities, while in 1921 the University of Nancy, France, made him Doctor Honoris Causa.

He was admitted to the bar in 1878, and engaged in practice at Cleveland. His ability soon led him into finance, and from 1886 to 1894 he was secretary and treasurer and in later years was president and chairman of the Board of the Society for Savings at Cleveland. He was also chairman of the Board of the Union Carbide and Carbon Company, a director of the New York Life Insurance Company, and had many other business associations.

During the '90s, he was a member of the Cleveland City Council. He was six times a delegate to the Republican National Convention, was presidential elector at large from Ohio in 1892 and member of the Republican National Committee. From February 15, 1912 to December 1914, he was American Ambassador to France, and in April, 1921, returned again to Paris as ambassador. He received the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor from France and he organized the American Relief Clearing House in Paris and in the United States, with which he was associated during the war. His wife, whose maiden name was Carolyn M. B. Parmely of Dayton, died as result of war work, September 15, 1918. Ambassador Herrick established the American Ambulance Hospital at Neuilly, France, was chairman of the War Camp Community Service, chairman of the Mayor's War Relief Committee of Cleveland. He was the first president of the Savings Bank Section of the American Bankers Association, and has also been president of that association.

Peter Boyd Holly. The American pioneer of the Holly family in Butler County was Peter Holly, who emigrated to America from Germany in 1832, and settled on a farm on Deeks Creek in Leman Township, Butler County. That land after more than ninety years of possession is still in the Holly family.

PETER BOYD HOLLY

The outline of the Holly family, beginning with Peter Holly (1), the immigrant, is as follows:

1. Peter Holly, b. Sept. 25, 1791; m. Feb. 15, 1815, to Kathrine Holly; d. June 14, 1854.
   - 1-1. Marie, b. July 5, 1816; m. July 5, 1836, to Jacob Iutzi; d. Mar. 4, 1885.
     - 1-2. Kathrine, b. May 20, 1837; d. May 27, 1850.
     - 2-2. George W., b. June 13, 1839; m. Dec. 11, 1888, to Kathrine Bender.
       - 1-3. Marie K., b. Jan. 1, 1889.
     - 3-2. Elise, b. Sept. 13, 1841; d. Sept. 16, 1842.
     - 4-2. Louise, b. Aug. 3, 1843; d. Sept. 29, 1854.
     - 5-2. Emelie C., b. Sept. 10, 1846; m. Nov. 2, 1869, to Jos. K. Augspurger; d. July 11, 1885.
       - 1-3. Florence E., b. Sept. 25, 1871.
       - 2-3. Ernest G., b. Feb. 6, 1875.
       - 3-3. Otto Iutzi, b. Jan. 9, 1878.
       - 4-3. Eugene R., b. July 25, 1880.
       - 5-3. J. Warren, b. July 4, 1883.
       - 6-3. Victor Holly, b. June 11, 1885.
     - 6-2. John H., b. May 19, 1849; d. June 16, 1850.
     - 7-2. Ottilia (twin), b. June 13, 1851; d. Aug. 1, 1851.
     - 8-2. Otto J., b. June 13, 1851 (twin to Ottilia).
     - 9-2. Augusta Marie, b. May 20, 1853; d. Feb. 4, 1874.
   - 2-1. A son, b. 1818; d. in infancy.
   - 3-1. Christian, b. Feb. 11, 1820; m. Oct. 1, 1846, to Helene Iutzi; d. Jan. 8, 1882.
     - 1-2. John R., b. Dec. 6, 1847; m. Oct. 15, 1889, to Mattie McManamy.
       - 1-3. Helene K., b. Aug. 26, 1890.
     - 2-2. Elise, b. Sept. 30, 1849.
     - 3-2. Kathrine, b. Feb. 1, 1851.
     - 4-2. Peter B., b. Sept. 8, 1853.
     - 5-2. Jacobine M., b. Oct. 9, 1856.
     - 6-2. Wilhelmine E., b. Dec. 10, 1861; m. Oct. 24, 1889, to John M. Rapp.
       - 1-3. John Holly, b. July 13, 1892.
       - 2-3. Peter George, b. Sept. 17, 1893.
     - 7-2. Christian I., b. Jan. 17, 1864; d. Mar. 3, 1872.
   - 4-1. Johannes, b. June 25, 1822; d. Mar. 24, 1838. (Twin brother of Jacobine Augspurger.)
   - 5-1. Jacobine, b. June 25, 1822; m. Nov. 10, 1842, to John Augspurger.
     - 1-2. Kathrine, b. Dec. 1, 1843; m. Sept. 9, 1862, to Joseph Schantz; d. Feb. 9, 1883.
       - 1-3. Frank, b. Nov. 12, 1863; m. Nov. 27, 1892, to Nora McKean.
       - 2-3. Louise M., b. Oct. 4, 1865.
       - 3-3. Emelie, b. Nov. 13, 1867; m. June 8, 1892, to Rudolph F. Scudder.
         - 1-4. Helene M., b. Nov. 13, 1893.
       - 4-3. Reuben J., b. Nov. 21, 1870.
       - 5-3. Christian W., b. Jan. 21, 1873.
       - 6-3. Mary A., b. Oct. 15, 1874.
       - 7-3. Hermann, b. Oct. 5, 1876.
       - 8-3. Orin Edwin, b. Jan. 19, 1881.
     - 2-2. Helene, b. Sept. 5, 1846; d. Sept. 12, 1851.
     - 3-2. Emelie, b. Feb. 8, 1849; m. Nov. 12, 1867, to John Schrock.
       - 1-3. Christian H., b. Feb. 25, 1868.
       - 2-3. Ottilia C., b. Oct. 13, 1869; m. June 1, 1893, to Walter Augspurger.
         - 1-4. Stanley Ray, b. May 19, 1894.
       - 3-3. Maria Louise, b. April 22, 1871; d. Aug. 2, 1874.
       - 4-3. Albert F., b. July 25, 1873; d. Mar. 30, 1884.
       - 5-3. Otto Julius, b. July 17, 1875; d. Aug. 2, 1876.
       - 6-3. Alvini E., b. Mar. 1, 1879 (twin of Arthur).
       - 7-3. Arthur E. (twin), b. Mar. 1, 1879.
       - 8-3. Oscar C., b. Oct. 13, 1880.
       - 9-3. John W., b. Aug. 15, 1882.
     - 4-2. Frederich H., b. Mar. 12, 1853; m. Oct. 11, 1883, to Lucy Banner.
     - 5-2. Hermann H., b. Jan. 1, 1856; m. Sept. 21, 1880, to Anna M. Beal.
       - 1-3. Owen B., b. Sept. 25, 1881.
       - 2-3. Eula M., b. Jan. 18, 1884.
       - 3-3. Nellie F., b. Aug. 13, 1886.
     - 6-2. Louise M., b. Jan. 19, 1859; m. Sept. 30, 1883, to John J. Kumel.
       - 1-3. Girl, b. & d. Dec. 11, 1884.

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2-3. Ella E., b. Sept. 27, 1886; d. Nov. 28, 1888.
3-3. Edgar, b. Sept. 4, 1889.
4-3. Edna P., b. June 11, 1892.
6-1. Kathrine, b. Mar. 11, 1824; m. Oct. 11, 1853, to Daniel Bender.
1-2. Girl, b. & d. 1854.
2-2. George W., b. Sept. 4, 1855.
3-2. Elisa M., b. Jan. 9, 1858; m. Aug. 14, 1889, to Emil Rathman.
1-3. Alma H., b. July 7, 1890.
2-3. Ernest D., b. Mar. 10, 1894.
7-1. Elisabeth, b. Mar. 10, 1825; m. Mar. 20, 1855, to Samuel Augspurger.
1-2. Edward H., b. June 23, 1856; m. April 29, 1885, to Adalaide Flenner.
1-3. Helen Marie, b. Aug. 22, 1887.
2-2. Ottilia C., b. Dec. 6, 1858; m. Aug. 3, 1886, to Prof. Elias Campton.
1-3. Carl T., b. Sept. 14, 1887.
2-3. Mary E., b. April 26, 1889.
3-3. Wilson M., b. Oct. 15, 1890.
4-3. Arthur Holly, b. Sept. 10, 1892.
3-2. Frederich H., b. Dec. 13, 1860; m. Mar. 13, 1886, to Louise Williams.
1-3. Mabel, b. Aug. 19, 1887.
2-3. Viola, b. Nov. —, 1888.
4-2. Marie, b. Feb. 21, 1863; d. July 29, 1863.
5-2. Albert H., b. April 30, 1864; m. Oct. 21, 1886, to Adalaide Herr.
1-3. Albert, b. —; d. —.
6-2. William B., b. April 7, 1867; m. Mar. 30, 1892, to Lizzie A. Rupp.
1-3. Ethel, b. Feb. 19, 1893.
7-2. Otto Iutzi, b. Jan. 15, 1869; m. Oct. 6, 1892, to Daisey Hughes.
1-3. Russell, b. Mar. 15, 1893.
2-3. Earl, b. July 1, 1894.

Peter Boyd Holly, son of Christian and Helene (Iutzi) Holly, was born in a log cabin September 8, 1853, in Liberty Township, Butler County, and in infancy moved to the old home place on Deeds Creek. For the last thirty-five years he has been one of the able members of the Hamilton bar. His activities have brought him many useful and honorable connections with the business, professional and civic affairs in his home county.

As a young man to satisfy his ambition for an education he supplied the means largely through teaching. For five years he taught school in the intervals of attending school himself. For one year he was a student in the Mennonite College at Wadsworth, Ohio, and he subsequently graduated in the teachers, business, scientific and classical departments of the National Normal University at Lebanon Ohio. He taught several terms of school while at Lebanon, and for a time was a professor of German in that institution.

After completing his university course he returned home and engaged in farming for five years. In the fall of 1885 he began concentrating all his energies upon the study of law. Many nights he rode ten miles to Lebanon to attend classes, and though doing in a measure double work, he was able to complete with credit the law course of two years in a year's time and in 1886 received the law degree from the National Normal University. He was admitted to practice after passing examination before the local board and Supreme Court of Ohio, and on June 10, 1887, he opened an office at Hamilton. He has handled a large volume of work both in office and court practice. In addition to some manufacturing interests he still supervises the old homestead of 275 acres of land, besides much city property and several other farms in the county.

Mr. Holly is a liberal democrat in politics, and has held all the important chairs in Lone Star (now Hamilton) Lodge No. 39, Knights of Pythias. He married Miss Kathryn Auraden, of Hamilton, daughter of Joseph and Mary (Wirtz) Auraden. Mrs. Holly was educated in the Hamilton schools, and is an active member of the Women's City Club and an artist of marked ability.

Burch Dudley Evans Arthur. Modern development and sanitary laws, as well as popular demand, have so improved the business of undertaking as to raise it to the dignity of a profession, and attracted to it some of the most dependable men of their times. One of them who is rendering a most satisfactory and dignified service is Burch Dudley Evans Arthur of the Arthur Funeral Home of Wilmington. His equipment is of the most modern, and he was the first undertaker of Wilmington to adopt the full motor service including limousine ambulance service. The funeral home, the only one in the city, is located at Locust and Lincoln streets. Here a full line of funeral supplies is carried, and Mr. Arthur gives his personal attention to the direction of all funerals. A chapel is maintained in connection with the Home.

Burch D. E. Arthur comes of English and Welsh stock originally, although the English Arthurs and the Welsh Evans were established in this country many years ago, and later migrated from Virginia to Ohio, arriving in the latter not long after its admission to the Union as a state. Christopher Arthur, who was the immigrant into Ohio, located at Hillsboro, in Highland County. His wife bore the maiden name of Elizabeth Rhoades. Their youngest born of twelve children, Dudley Christopher Arthur, was married October 17, 1877, to Mianah Evans, who belonged to another pioneer family of Hillsboro. She was a daughter of G. J. Evans. The following children were born to Dudley Christopher Arthur and his wife: Burch D. E., who is the eldest; one child, who died in infancy; and Nannie M., who is the wife of Charles J. Smith, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

On December 9, 1906 Burch D. E. Arthur was married to Edith Leodbetter, one of five children born to Charles B. and Nettie B. Loedbetter of Sabina, Clinton County. Her brothers and sister are: Inez, Raymond and Frank, who are living and Roy, who is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur have one daughter, Mildred Elizabeth.

In 1912 Mr. Arthur established his present business at Wilmington, since which time he has built it up to its present proportions through fair dealing and unquestioned ability. He is a member of the National Funeral Directors' Association, and also of the Ohio Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association, and, through attending all of the meetings of these organizations, keeps in close touch with every advance in his profession. He holds membership in the Masonic Fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Wilmington. His vote is always cast for republican candidates although he does not aspire to political office. His family belongs to the Wilmington Presbyterian Church. Mr. Arthur is not the only member of his family who has left Highland County for other portions of Ohio and adjoining states or the representatives of it have traveled extensively, and are to be found today in different communities, all of them displaying the same excellent traits of character which are distinctive assets to them and the sections in which they have cast their lot, but none of them stand any higher in public confidence than does Burch D. E. Arthur.

Christian von Scheele, M. D. Since 1903 Docton von Scheele has practiced medicine and surgery at Jacksonville in Athens County. He is one of the accomplished men in his profession, has all the thoroughness of his race and has accepted unusual opportunities for training and experience.

Doctor von Scheele was born in German Poland, April 1, 1862, one of the three sons and three daughters of Franz and Elise (Wolf) von Scheele. His father served as a page in the court of Emperor William I of Germany, was educated for the military

profession and was a member of the landed classes in German Poland. He was a direct descendant of Carl William Scheele, a Swedish chemist who discovered oxygen gas independently of Priestley in 1774, and many other organic acids, for which he was knighted by the King of Sweden. He was an associate member of the academy of Stockholm. A monument of him is standing in the City of Stockholm today.

Christian von Scheele and his brother Max were the only members of the family to come to America. Doctor von Scheele came here in 1880, at the age of eighteen. In the meantime he had been well educated in his native land, finishing the course of the gymnasium of college at Stettin in Prussia. He acquired the American language after coming to this country. After he had been here three years he became a telegraph operator for the Pennsylvania Railway Company at Hilliard in Franklin County, Ohio. While in this service he began the reading of medicine, and spent one year in the medical school at Kansas City, and three years in the Ohio Medical University at Columbus, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1901. He was paying his expenses all through his university career by retaining his position of telegraph operator at night. For two years of the time he was postmaster of Grogan, a Columbus suburb. Doctor von Scheele has been a close student of his profession through all the years since his graduation. In the summer of 1914 he was pursuing post-graduate work in Vienna, Austria, when the World war broke out, and he had a very difficult time in securing passage home, due to being held as a prisoner of war at Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany. He again went to Europe for professional study in 1921. He is a member of the Athens County and the Ohio State Medical associations and a fellow of the American Medical Association. He has interested himself in his home locality, and has served as a member of the school board and the town council. He married in 1886 Miss Gene Blackford Baldwin, of Hilliards, Ohio, who died in 1901. Doctor von Scheele in 1903 married Miss May Tinker. Mrs. von Scheele is a descendant of Mayflower stock. He and his wife are Methodists, he being a member of the official board of the church at Jacksonville. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

JOHN RANDOLPH CLEVENGER, of Wilmington, Clinton County, is a scion of a family whose name has been prominently and worthily identified with the history of this county for virtually an entire century, and in his personal name he perpetuates the association of the family with Virginia history prior to the removal to Ohio, for it was at the suggestion of a kinsman of an older generation that he was named in honor of the great Virginian, John Randolph of Roanoke. Of the history of the Clevenger family adequate record is given on other pages of this work, in the personal sketch of Judge Frank M. Clevenger, and thus a repetition of the data is not required in the present article.

On the ancestral Clevenger homestead farm, in Washington Township, Clinton County, John R. Clevenger was born June 19, 1858, and he is the only son of the late Peter and Mary Ellen (Sanderson) Clevenger. He was reared to the sturdy discipline of the farm and in the meanwhile duly profited by the advantages of the common schools. Through heritage he eventually came into possession of a portion of the old Clevenger farm estate that has been in the possession of the family since 1824, and he still owns this property, as well as other valuable farms in the county. From his youth until 1911, Mr. Clevenger continued to pay active and successful allegiance to the great fundamental industries of agriculture and stock growing, and he then removed to the City of Wilmington, where he has since lived virtually retired, though he finds ample demand on his time and attention in directing his large real estate and financial interests. He is a stockholder in the Irwin Augur Bit Company, the Champion Bridge Company, and the Farquhar Furnace Company, important industrial corporations of Wilmington, and here also he is a director of the Clinton County Bank & Trust Company.

Mr. Clevenger has never deviated from the line of loyal allegiance to the democratic party and has been influential in its councils, he having represented Ohio in the Electoral College of 1912, when President Wilson was elected. He is an active member of the Wilmington Commercial Club, has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite of the Masonic fraternity, and has passed the various official chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Clevenger was active and liberal in the support of the various local patriotic movements in the World war period, and was specially influential in adjusting the fuel difficulties and regulating the distribution and the price of coal. He and his family hold membership in the Universalist Church. Mr. Clevenger believes firmly in the policy represented in the slogan "See America First," and he has traveled extensively and with appreciation and profit in all parts of the United States. His wife, Belle, is a daughter of J. W. and Jemima (Moore) Moore, and they have two children: Herbert Peter has the active management of his father's farm properties; and Bessie Hortense is the wife of Dr. A. D. Blackburn, and they have two children, Dorotha Ellen, and Eva Belle. Herbert P. Clevenger married Miss Capitola West, and they have one daughter, Barbara May.

CHARLES W. SWAIM, one of the carefully trained and experienced members of the legal profession practicing before the bar of Wilmington, has long been connected with Clinton County, and January 1, 1924, rounded out his half century in the practice of the law. While his family is an old and honorable one of this country, and of Swedish ancestry, little of a definite nature is obtainable of it during earlier generations; but his father moved from New Jersey to Ohio. He is a son of Martin T. and Margaret (Moore) Swaim. He had an older brother, William T. Swaim, and two sisters, Susan E. and Hannah E. All of them were born in Clinton County, but their parents later removed to Hardin County, Ohio, where Mrs. Swaim died. Her parents then took the children and reared them and Mr. Swaim went to Nebraska.

Growing up on the farm of his maternal grandfather, William B. Moore, Charles W. Swaim early learned to be self-reliant, and to make the best of his opportunities. After he had exhausted the educational resources locally, he became a student of the National Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio, since absorbed by the Wilmington College, and graduated therefrom with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1870. After leaving that institution, he taught school for two years in Hamilton County and with the money thus earned, he entered the legal department of the University of Michigan and was admitted to the Ohio bar January 27, 1874. While he has spent the past fifty years in the practice of his profession Mr. Swaim has had other interests, and since 1890 has operated the C. W. Swaim Canning Company of Sabina, which ranks high among the older concerns of its kind in Ohio, and has always been a paying business. Mr. Swaim, in this connection, has been honored by election to the presidency of the Ohio Canners Association.

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On November 17, 1887, Mr. Swaim was married to Laura M. Rudduck, a daughter of David and Abbie J. (Gallup) Rudduck. William Rudduck, Mrs. Swaim's grandfather, reared his family in Clinton County. Mrs. Swaim received exceptional educational advantages, and for two years studied art at Cincinnati, Ohio. The results of her training and natural ability are to be seen in numerous paintings, wood carving and other works of art in the Swaim family home, all of which bear favorable comparison with the objects of modern and antique art which have been gathered by the members of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Swaim have three children: Chester D., C. Luther and Cleo Margaret. Chester D. Swaim, who is superintendent of the C. W. Swaim Canning Company at Sabina, Ohio, still resides at home in Wilmington. He was educated at Wilmington College, Culver Military Academy and the Ohio State University, in the latter completing his course in mechanical engineering, and holds the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Mechanical Engineering. C. Luther Swaim was graduated from Wilmington College and the Ohio State University, and holds the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctor. While his brother was exempt from service during the World war on account of being engaged in food production, he served in the Coast (heavy) Artillery Corps, and after being thus engaged was sent by the Department of State as Vice Consul to Dublin, Ireland, and had the pleasure, while abroad, of visiting the Gallup ancestral homestead in Dorsetshire, England. He is now associated with his father in the practice of law at Wilmington. At the primary election of August, 1924, he was chosen as the republican candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney for Clinton County, and his election to that office, at the November election, is assured. The daughter, Cleo Margaret Swaim, was educated at Wilmington College and the Centenary Collegiate Institute at Hackettstown, New Jersey. She is now the wife of C. H. Boardman, Jr., of Columbus, Ohio, and they have three children: C. H. Boardman III, James Swaim Boardman and Jack Martin Boardman.

The Swaim family are republican in politics, and belong to the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Swaim and his sons belong to the Masonic fraternity at Wilmington, and he was a member of the building committee at the time of the erection of the Wilmington Masonic Temple. He also holds membership with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. During his long connection with Wilmington Mr. Swaim has been active in the community development, and all local advancement, while in his profession has made a record of which he may well be proud for it is one of honorable achievement and strict adherence to professional ethics.

Charles Edgar Welch, M. D. Those activities and qualities of character that constitute the leading citizen are abundant in the case of Dr. Charles Edgar Welch of Nelsonville. His career has meant a great deal for his home town, and his name is held in the highest degree of esteem throughout Athens and adjoining counties.

He was born at Nelsonville, July 5, 1871, son of Capt. John F. and Sarah (Mintun) Welch. His father was born in Morgan County, Ohio, and when sixteen years of age came from McConnelsville to Nelsonville and became apprenticed as a carpenter with his brother-in-law, John Barron. Largely self-educated, he became a successful man of affairs. He was a contractor and builder, having built and operated mills, erected schools, churches and bridges in Athens and adjoining counties, and put up the Opera House at Nelsonville. He was one of the organizers of the Nelsonville Lumber Company, built and operated a planing mill, and was prominent in the good roads movement at its beginning, constructing the first brick road in this city, which was also the first in the county, followed by other large paving contracts. His last home contract was on the public square and Fort Street in Nelsonville. He also filled some large contracts for road building in and around Gallipolis. He was a member of the board of county commissioners when the good roads question was first agitated. In politics he was always a staunch republican. He served on the school board and city council, was affiliated with the Masons and Odd Fellows, helped organize the Elks lodge, and was active in the Grand Army of the Republic. During the Civil war he was commissioned a lieutenant in the Thirty-ninth Ohio Infantry, and later was made a captain in the One Hundred Sixteenth Regiment of Infantry. He participated in a number of battles, and was once wounded in the leg. He was also a member of the military order of the Loyal Legion at Cincinnati. Capt. John F. Welch died in 1905, at the age of sixty-seven years. His first wife, Sarah Mintun, was a daughter of Judge Thomas L. Mintun, of Nelsonville. She was educated in Nelsonville, and was a devout Presbyterian. Her death occurred in 1889, at the age of forty-seven. Captain Welch later married Alice Hoskins, who lives at Columbus, Ohio, and is the mother of one son, C. C. Welch, who has charge of an electrical supply house in Columbus. Captain Welch by his first marriage had three sons and three daughters, and two sons and one daughter are now living. The daughter is the wife of Dr. C. F. Junkerman of Columbus. Both sons are physicians. Doctor Harry R. is a graduate of the Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago, and is in practice at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Charles Edgar Welch was reared at Nelsonville, graduated from high school in 1887, and while working in the Parks drug store decided to prepare himself for a medical career. For two years he was a coal weigher in the Oakdale mines for L. D. Lampman. With his earnings he entered Hahnemann Medical College at Chicago, but during vacations resumed his duties at weighing coal. After two years in college he continued the study of medicine in Doctor Junkerman's office, then at Nelsonville, and later returned to Chicago and graduated in 1896. Doctor Welch has been distinguished by unusual abilities in his profession since he entered practice. He has kept in touch with his profession not only through his own experience, but through attending clinics and has taken post-graduate work in Hahnemann College, Chicago, and in the Post-Graduate College in New York.

Doctor Welch had many business interests as well as a large private practice when America entered the World war. When the call came for more men in the Medical Corps his business associates willingly assumed his duties in his several companies and he offered his services to his country. He was given a captain's commission and sent to Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, and later transferred to a hospital group. He received an honorable discharge from the army December 30, 1918, and entered the New York Post Graduate College for post-graduate work. Doctor Welch for ten years has maintained a private hospital to take care of his own cases. His practice is now limited to cases arranged through special appointment, which enables him to devote some of his time to other business interests and to take an active part in civic work in his home city and county. He is interested in developing the natural resources of his community, and is president of several coal companies and a director in the Citizen's

Central Bank. With all his busy professional and business interests he has served as a member of the city council and for two years was health officer. He is now serving his third term as president of the Chamber of Commerce at Nelsonville, is president of the Athens County Automobile Club, is president of the newly organized Kiwanis Club, and represents Athens County as county councilor in the Ohio Good Roads Federation. Like his honored father, he has given his staunch support to every movement for the betterment of his community.

Doctor Welch's hobby is fruit growing and poultry raising, being interested in a 100-acre apple orchard in Athens County which is devoted to the growing of high grade and fancy apples. Grimes Golden, Jonathan, Delicious, Rome Beauty, Stayman Winesap and Yellow Transparent are his specialties.

His poultry have frequently been placed on exhibition and have taken blue ribbons at Zanesville, Ohio; New Lexington, Ohio; Athens, Ohio; Lancaster, Ohio; Columbus, Ohio; Madison Square Garden (New York City), Chicago and other places.

On March 10, 1892, Doctor Welch married Miss Gertrude Barnecut, daughter of Jacob and Nancy Barnecut of Nelsonville, and they have had a most happy married life for over thirty-two years. He is one of the prominent men of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Nelsonville, serving on the official board as chairman of the finance committee, as president of the board of trustees and general chairman of the Boosters organization. In Masonry he is a member of the blue lodge, chapter and council at Nelsonville, the Knights Templar commandery at Athens, the Scottish Rite consistory and Shrine at Columbus and is first past monarch of the Grotto at Nelsonville. He is a member of the American Legion, a trustee of its property at Nelsonville, and chairman of the building committee of the Nelsonville post of that order. He was one of the trustees of the County War Chest Fund for the several Legion posts of the county. In politics he is a republican.

Hon. Andrew Jackson. Prominent alike in war and peace, as a business man, soldier and legislator, Hon. Andrew Jackson of Cedarville, justifies his descent from Robert Jackson, half-brother of "Old Hickory," and his connection with some of the most representative American families of the country. He was born in Greene County, Ohio, December 25, 1843, a son of Gen. Robert and Minerva (Eddy) Jackson. His grandfather and great-grandfather also bore the name of Robert, the last named, the half-brother of President Jackson, having been a soldier of the American Revolution. The historic name of Robert is still in use in the family, a grandson of Mr. Jackson of this review, a resident of Chicago, bears the name of Robert Jackson Baldwin.

Gen. Robert Jackson was born in Pennsylvania, but he came to Ohio when he was only sixteen years old, and became a farmer. In 1833, while he was a member of the State Assembly of Ohio, General Jackson was commissioned to command the State Militia, and this document, with General Jackson's endorsement on its back, is one of the cherished possessions of Andrew Jackson of Cedarville. From the time of his appointment until his death Robert Jackson was known as General Jackson. At the age of sixty-five years he was one of the body of men, known as the "Squirrel Hunters" that marched to the defense of Ohio at the time that state was raided by General Morgan and his men. General Jackson was a man of great local importance, served as county commissioner for many years, and was also a member of the school board for a long period. A man of decided opinions, he was never afraid to express them, and was fearless in his denunciations against wrong doing of all kinds.

Andrew Jackson attended the local schools, and began his connection with business life as a clerk in a dry goods store at Xenia. While he was thus serving he enlisted in the Union Army, in 1862, with the Ninety-fourth Regiment, Ohio Infantry, and served throughout the remainder of the war. He saw service in Kentucky, Tennessee and more Southern states, and was wounded at the battle of Perryville, Kentucky, October 8, 1862. After his recovery he participated in practically all of the major engagements in Tennessee, including that of Chickamauga and Lookout Mountain. During the last year of his service he was detailed as chief clerk to the inspector general of the First Division, Fourteenth Army Corps, and as such was present at the surrender of General Johnston, April 26, 1865. As an aftermath of his service Mr. Jackson was appointed by Governor Campbell, a member of General Beatty's commission charged with marking the position of the Union troops engaged in the battle of Chickamauga, and erecting monuments to them. Ohio through this commission took the initiative in this patriotic and memorial work, and was the first in the field. Mr. Jackson deeply appreciates the honor paid to him in this appointment.

After he had been mustered out of the service and honorably discharged, Mr. Jackson returned to Ohio, and began railroading as assistant civil engineer with the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad. Later he was private secretary to the president of the Cincinnati & Zanesville Railroad, and a year later was promoted to be general ticket agent and paymaster of that same road. For years he served faithfully in those positions, and then located at Cedarville, and for twelve years thereafter he was engaged in farming and breeding fine horses. Called at the expiration of that period to Cincinnati to take charge of his father-in-law's lumber business he became so interested in it that he, upon terminating his connection with that concern, returned to Cedarville and went into a lumber business of his own.

In the meanwhile he had become very active in politics, and in 1888 was elected to the Lower House of the Ohio State Assembly, and was reelected to succeed himself, after which he, for six terms, served as sergeant-at-arms of the Lower House. During his first term as a legislator, Governor Campbell occupied the chair of chief executive of the state, and during his second term, Governor Foraker had that honor. While in the Legislature Mr. Jackson sponsored and secured the passage of an amendment making it unlawful to hunt and fish on Sunday, to the fish and game law. In spite of this action he regards the opposing of the passage of pernicious legislation the greatest work of a legislator. His public service was not limited to what he accomplished in the Assembly for he has served as clerk of the school board for at least forty years, and for the past quarter of a century has been a justice of the peace. He is township clerk, manager of the opera-house, a notary public, makes out many tax returns, and has the record of having at the age of seventy-five, disbursed $120,000 without making a single error, according to the report of the auditing committee. In 1895 he organized the Cedarville Building and Loan Association, was made its secretary, and has held this office ever since, and for the past twelve years has been its active manager, during which time the assets have been increased from $11,000 to $120,000. What makes all of this activity all the more remarkable is that Mr. Jackson has always and is now discharging all these responsibilities without the assistance of either secretary or stenographer, and

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walks daily the half a mile between his home and office where he remains at night as late as 10 to 10:30. He has devised a very simple, yet unique plan of entering coupons as paid off, which plan has received the approval and commendation of accountants. He is younger and capable of transacting more business within a given time, although now eighty-one years old, than many men of forty.

On December 17, 1868, Mr. Jackson was married at Cedarville to Mary J. Dunlap, a daughter of James Dunlap, a lumber merchant at Cincinnati. Mrs. Jackson was educated at Cedarville and Oxford, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson became the parents of the following children: Pearl, who married R. G. George an insurance agent of Jamestown, Ohio, has the following children, Marion, who was graduated from the Ohio State University, 1924, and Helen, who was graduated from the Jamestown High School in 1924; Frank A., who is treasurer of Greene County, married Edna Townsley of Cedarville; Clara, who married H. H. Cherry, a Greene County farmer; and Fannie, who married R. L. Baldwin, a manufacturer of woodwork at Chicago, has one son, Robert Jackson Baldwin. The daughters are members of the American Revolution, being eligible to that organization through their great-great-grandfather, Robert Jackson, the Revolutionary soldier.

Charles F. Kettering is president of the General Motors Research Corporation. He is also the inventor of an electric lighting system for farm houses, and of a starting, lighting and ignition device for automobiles. He has since early manhood been a student of science, particularly the application of science to life and industry. Many years ago, Mr. Kettering was impressed by the statement of the great astronomer, Laplace, who when he died at the age of seventy-eight, said: "What we know is nothing; what we do not know is immense." Mr. Kettering's working ideals, therefore, have been that, "marvelous as the achievements of science and invention are, what has been done can be indefinitely increased and done better." It was this attitude for his work as well as for his individual achievements that caused his selection as official head of the great laboratory and plant at Dayton, where all the processes and products that enter into the automobile industry are being constantly tested with a view to their improvement or substitution with new methods or materials altogether.

Mr. Kettering was born near Loudonville in Ashland County, Ohio, August 29, 1876, son of Jacob and Martha (Hunter) Kettering. He began his life work early, working when a youth with the Star Telephone Company at Ashland, and later with the Electrical Department of the Cash Register Company at Dayton. In 1904 he received the degree of Electrical Engineer and Mechanical Engineer from the Ohio State University. He was the inventor of the starting, lighting and ignition device for automobiles, later known as the "Delco" and also invented, perfected and put on the market the Delco-Light, an individual lighting system now used in rural districts all over the nation. In 1914 he was one of the organizers of The Dayton Metal Products Company and in addition to being president and general manager of the General Motors Research Corporation, is president of The Dayton Engineering Laboratories Company, the abbreviated title of which is "Delco," is president of the Delco-Light Company, The Dayton-Wright Airplane Company, all the foregoing now being component parts of the General Motors Corporation, and is a director of the holding corporation, the General Motors Corporation of which he is chief consulting engineer. He is vice president of The Smith Gas Engineering Company, is president and director of The Moraine Development Company, president and director of The Domestic Building Company, The Flexible Company and other interests at Dayton and elsewhere.

Mr. Kettering is a trustee of the Ohio State University, Antioch College and Moraine Park School. He is a former president of the Society of Automotive Engineers, a member of the American Society of Engineers, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the Natural Gas Engine Association, the Engineers' Club, Army and Navy Club, the Aero Club of America. He is a Methodist. Mr. Kettering married August 1, 1905, Olive Williams of Ashland, Ohio.

C. A. Nielsen. The interesting and instructive story of the poor boy becoming a substantial business man and valued citizen, as the result of his thrift, industry and integrity, is a familiar and a true one in America, and in every large community may be found self-made men who may be justifiably proud on this account. An example at hand is found in C. A. Nielsen, one of Sandusky's highly respected retired business men, who for many years was financially and officially connected with important interests here.

C. A. Nielsen was born February 27, 1855, in what is now a German province, but which at the time of his birth belonged to Denmark, son of Niels and Catherine (Fink) Nielsen. His parents died in that country, and by the time he was fifteen years old he had determined to seek his fortune across the sea, in that land of opportunity, America. It is not probable that he left his native land with a large amount of capital when, in 1870, he secured passage to the United States on a sailing vessel. This was an old-time ship that kept the unhappy passengers on the water for sixty-five days but finally safely landed them on the docks of New York City. It was the youth's intention to get to Chicago, of which city he had heard much, but on his way, while at Buffalo, he was led to loan an unfortunate comrade five dollars of his little store, and lack of funds prevented his continuing westward, and incidentally contributed a valuable citizen to Sandusky and Erie County.

Mr. Nielsen had had some experience on a farm in his native country, and after getting as far as Sandusky, Ohio, he decided very sensibly to seek farm work in the rural regions and had no difficulty in finding employment. During the six and a half years that he continued to work on Erie County farms he not only satisfied his employers but so won their confidence and esteem that they were very loath to see him go back to Denmark. When he reached his old home he found conditions changed from what he had expected, and a few months later was almost forced by the government to enter the German army, before he could escape and return to his good friends in the United States.

Upon his return to Sandusky Mr. Nielsen met with an opportunity to go into the fish business, and worked for the same firm for six years, and when it changed hands was placed in charge by the new firm, and so continued until 1890, when the business was sold to the Booth Packing Company, with which big corporation he remained until 1896, when he was elected treasurer of Erie County. He served two terms of two years each in this office, administering the county's finances with scrupulous honesty and the utmost efficiency. In 1901, in association with a brother-in-law, he went into the general insurance business, and two years later became superintendent of the Lake Ice & Coal Company, in which he already had an interest, and soon afterward he purchased the business and conducted it under the business name of the C. A. Nielsen Company until 1923, when

he sold it to his son-in-law, George Matthews, and has since lived retired.

Mr. Nielsen was married on August 4, 1884, to Miss Wilda Stewart, who was born in the Province of Ontario, Canada. They have one daughter, Ethel, who is the wife of George Matthews, and they have a son, George Matthews, Jr. Mr. Nielsen and his family are members of the Lutheran Church. He has never been unduly active in political life, and since serving as county treasurer, has declined to accept other public responsibilities, and at present is an independent voter. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Shriner, and belongs also to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and to the Knights of Pythias.

ST. COLUMBKILL PARISH. For the following interesting and historically valuable record concerning an important Catholic Parish this publication is indebted to the honored pastor thereof, Rev. Father Charles A. Ertel.

The history of St. Columbkill Parish is virtually the history of Catholicity in Clinton County, Ohio, for with the exception of the mission churches at Blanchester and New Vienna, attended from St. Martin and Greenfield respectively, this is the only Catholic congregation in the county.

Ground was broken for the first Catholic Church in Wilmington on the 6th of June, 1866, on the site where the present church edifice now stands. The corner stone was laid by the Rt. Rev. G. H. Rosencrantz, Bishop of the Columbus diocese. The building was soon completed, but it was not until October 5, 1870, that it was dedicated, the ceremony being performed by the Most Rev. John B. Purcell, Archbishop of Cincinnati. The name of St. Columbkill, or Columba, was given to the church.

Catholic people of this vicinity were first attended by Father Blake, of Xenia, who was conveyed overland from Corwin Station, fifteen miles distant, by Michael DeVanney, Patrick Creeden and Timothy Coakley. The first mass in Wilmington was celebrated in 1852, at the home of Michael Devanney, grandfather of the late Frank Devanney, this home of the early days having been situated east of the point where the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad line crosses Owens Avenue. Services were held also at the home of Jeremiah Coakley, on the northeast portion of the lot now occupied by the City Hall, and were continued in the home which he later purchased on West Locust street, where the building still stands and is one door west of the new parsonage of St. Columbkill Parish.

As the Parish grew, Clinton Hall was secured for the services, and afterward Preston Hall, later the Eagles' Hall, was utilized for the same purpose.

Father Blake came to Wilmington at intervals of about three months until 1861, when Father John B. O'Donaghue, residing at Morrow, included Wilmington in his circuit of missions from Milford to New Holland. He rode horseback from mission to mission until the building of the railroad provided better facilities. He is remembered by the older parishoners as the "pioneer priest." He came to Wilmington once a month, and under his administration the church edifice was erected. The roof of the building was torn away by a cyclone that swept through this district March 17, 1868.

Father John B. O'Donaghue was killed at Morrow, Ohio, he having there been struck on the head with a wrench wielded by a man named Greene, as he was taking a walk down the railroad. Greene was taken to the Dayton State Hospital where he died a maniac. Father John B. O'Donaghue was succeeded by Rev. Michael O'Donaghue, who became the first resident pastor at Wilmington. This was in the autumn of 1882, and until 1884 Father O'Donaghue lived in rented quarters in the vicinity of the church. In 1884 he erected a modest, one-story frame house, adjoining the church. Misfortune followed in the wake of tragedy, for on the 5th of May, 1893, the city was visited by a second cyclone which lifted the roof from the church and settled it on the rectory, causing great damage both to the church and the priest house. The people rallied around their pastor, repaired and enlarged the church and added a second story to the rectory.

"Father Michael," as he was familiarly known by all, labored zealously here for twenty-three years, until infirmities incidental to advanced age compelled him to resign his charge. A short time after leaving Wilmington he passed to his eternal reward.

Father Michael O'Donaghue was succeeded by Rev Martin A. Higgins, a young and energetic priest April 8, 1906. Father Higgins made many needed repairs and improvements on both church and rectory. Under his wise direction the congregation made rapid strides, spiritually and financially, the parish debt having been entirely liquidated and a fund started for a new church building. After purchasing the Holland home and lot on the southwest corner of Mulberry and Locust streets adjoining the church property and the formulating of plans for the new church, Father Higgins began the razing of the old structure in February, 1916, to make way for the new. He was forced, however, by ill health, to relinquish his duties as pastor in April, 1916, and was assigned to a chaplaincy at Mount St. Joseph, Ohio, the Mother House of the Sisters of Charity, and there he passed away in September of the same year. He was succeeded at St. Columbkill's, May 1, 1916, by the present pastor, Rev. Charles A. Ertel, who took charge on the 14th of that month, and upon whom devolved the strenuous task of erecting the new church. The work of building the new structure, on the site of the old church, and of moving the old rectory to a new location at the corner of Mulberry and Locust streets, there to be definitely remodeled, was pushed to completion by the new pastor. The cornerstone of the new church was laid August 27, 1916, by Rev. George Mayerhofer, delegated by the Archbishop to perform the ceremony and the finished house of worship was solemnly dedicated September 30, 1917, by the Most Rev. Archbishop Henry Moeller, of Cincinnati.

The new St. Columbkill Church, one of the most beautiful church edifices in southern Ohio, stands as a lasting monument to the zealous faith, devotion and generosity of the members of said parish. In less than four years the entire debt on the new church was liquidated and a building fund for a new rectory laid aside. In June, 1922, the old rectory was sold by the congregation to William Fife and removed from the church lot to a lot on Wood Street, near Locust Street. In March, 1923, ground was broken for the erection of the new rectory a handsome residence and one of the show places of Wilmington which was completed in January, 1924, and occupied by Father Ertel in April of the same year.

BLAKE CHARLES COOK. In the profession of law Blake Charles Cook is well known in several communities in Northern Ohio, including Youngstown, and now has a well established practice at Kent in Portage County.

Mr. Cook was born at Painesville in Ashtabula County, October 11, 1885, and on both sides represents pioneer families of Northern Ohio. His parents were Charles B. and Minnie A. (Secor) Cook, his father a native of Mentor, Ohio, and his mother of Harts Grove. His grandparents were Lucien Cook and James Secor. Charles B. Cook was reared

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in Lake County, and for many years has been a successful lawyer, now engaged in practice at Ashtabula.

Blake Charles Cook graduated from the High School at Ashtabula in 1904. For a year and a half he was an employe of the American Fork and Hoe Company at Ashtabula, and began the study of law with Charles H. Sargent at Jefferson. He continued his studies privately for a year and a half, and then entered the University of Michigan, where he paid his own expenses by work outside of school. He was graduated in June, 1908, and had been admitted to the Ohio bar January 1, 1908. In September, 1908, Mr. Cook began his professional career in Youngstown, where he remained until September, 1916, the last three years being a partner of Emil Anderson. In the fall of 1916, Mr. Cook came to Kent and opened his law office. He carries on a general practice and has appeared as an attorney in much important litigation in Portage County. He is a member of the County Bar Association.

On February 14, 1910, Mr. Cook married Miss Bessie A. Adams, who was born at Warren, Ohio, daughter of John Z. and Jennie (Burnett) Adams. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Cook are, Donald Blake, Robert Eugene and Marguerite Ilene. While he has been closely devoted to his private law practice, and has found complete satisfaction in his professional work, he has also been interested in civic affairs and for one year was a member of the library board and three years served on the Board of Health at Kent. He is a democrat, has been grand knight of the Knights of Columbus, and lecturer and delegate to the Supreme Conventions. He is past exalted ruler of Kent Lodge No. 1377, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and also belongs to the fraternal order of Eagles. He is a member of the Brimfield Grange.

JOHN K. SPITLER. Prominent among the men who have been residents of Seneca County for nearly three-quarters of a century, and who are still engaged in the pursuits of agriculture, to which they have devoted their lives to their own prosperity and the betterment of the locality, is John K. Spitler, the owner of a valuable property in Bloom Township. Through a long life of industry and upright living, Mr. Spitler has accumulated a handsome competency, not only in worldly goods but in the esteem and respect of the people among whom he has resided for so many years.

Mr. Spitler was born on a farm within two miles of his present residence in Bloom Township, Seneca County, Ohio, August 17, 1850, and is a son of Daniel and Hannah (Kagy) Spitler. Daniel Spitler was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, in 1819, and February 6, 1845, married Hannah Kagy, who was born in Seneca County, December 4, 1824. After their marriage they settled on a farm five miles west of Bloomville, a tract of 120 acres, on which Mr. Spitler made his home during the rest of his life. Mr. Spitler was an honest, upright man, a good farmer, and a generous supporter of the Baptist Church of the old school of which he was a lifelong member. He and his worthy wife, who is also deceased, were the parents of eleven children, of whom the following survive: Agnes, who became the wife of Ralph Tittle; Sabina, who became the wife of Edward Bretz, of Garrett, Indiana; John K., of this review; Eliza, who is the widow of Bert Hall, of Tiffin, Ohio; and Ida M., who is the wife of Charles King, of Wood County, Ohio.

John K. Spitler received his education in the Heidelberg and Republic schools and while growing to maturity on the home farm engaged in teaching school for six winters. On February 13, 1873, he was united in marriage with Miss Martha Patterson, who was born in Adams Township, Seneca County, February 25, 1849, and was educated in the district school of her native community. They became the parents of five children of whom the following survive: Calvin D., born December 7, 1875, who attended school at Ada, Ohio, studied law and was admitted to the bar, was prosecuting attorney of Seneca County for two terms, and is now engaged in a successful law practice at Tiffin, Ohio; Cora B., born May 17, 1877, a graduate in vocal and instrumental music, and now the wife of Percy Lantz, of Tiffin, owner of the Lantz Hatchery; Worden M., born March 27, 1881, who attended Heidelberg University, and now resides at home, where he assists his father in the management of the farm and is overseer of the Percheron Breeding establishment which they conduct; Ralph T., born April 21, 1892, a graduate of high school, who took a course in agriculture at Columbus and is now helping to cultivate the home acres. The family belongs to the Primitive Baptist Church, and in politics Mr. Spitler is a democrat.

In addition to the regular farm operations, Mr. Spitler with his sons, began breeding registered Percheron horses in 1910 and have since attained a national reputation in this industry. Their animals are exhibited at the leading live stock shows of the country, and they have also sold foundation stock to some of the wealthiest men of the East.

Mr. Spitler owns 210 acres in Bloom Township and 132 acres in Adams Township, and is a stockholder in the Union Trust Company Bank, the Guardian Bank and the Cleveland Trust Company, of Cleveland; and the City National Bank of Tiffin, Ohio.

SIDNEY FROHMAN is one who has gained a place of distinct prominence and influence in the industrial and commercial affairs of his native city. As president and general manager of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company he directs the affairs of one of the chief industries of Sandusky, the metropolis and county seat of Erie County.

Mr. Frohman's company is the largest producer and distributor of corrugated fiber shipping packages in the world. Its business covers the entire country and extends beyond into Canada, where Mr. Frohman presides over and directs at Toronto a subsidiary corporation which produces and distributes the Hinde & Dauch line throughout the Dominion.

These companies own and operate fifteen separate manufacturing and fabricating units, grouped in ten consolidated plants, and located in eight different cities. Mr. Frohman is, therefore, one of the foremost industrial figures of his home city, where the general offices of his company, with one of its five factories and two of its ten paper mills, are situated. Besides these Sandusky plants, and those located respectively at Cleveland and Delphos, Ohio; Muncie, Indiana; Fort Madison, Iowa; Watertown, New York; Gloucester, New Jersey, and Toronto, Canada, the Hinde & Dauch organization maintains a large material receiving warehouse in the City of Philadelphia and distributing offices in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Richmond, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, Detroit, Chicago, Minneapolis and St. Louis. The responsibilities involved in the management of such an institution are necessarily very great.

Sidney Frohman was born at Sandusky on the 2nd of January, 1881, and is a son of David and Rachel Frohman, both of whom are deceased. David Frohman was born in the historic old City of Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, where he was reared and educated. In his youth he came to Sandusky, where he established his residence and where he remained until his death.

After completing his studies in the Sandusky High School Sidney Frohman took a course in the Sandusky Business College, and at the age of eighteen years entered the employ of the People's Electric Railroad Company. Later he became secretary to the general manager of the Lake Shore Electric Company, which operates an extensive system of electric interurban lines in Ohio. In 1902 he and others organized the Sandusky Foundry & Machine Company, with which he continued as secretary until 1910. In 1910 he was made treasurer of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company and in August, 1918, he became president of this great industrial corporation.

He is vice president of the National Container Association and an active member of the organization of Fiber Board Box Manufacturers, and he has been one of the most loyal supporters of the progressive policies of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, which he has served as president. He is a director and member of the executive committee of the Commercial Banking & Trust Company.

The political proclivities of Mr. Frohman are indicated in the staunch allegiance which he accords to the republican party, and he is prominently affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, in which he has received the thirty-second degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He has served as eminent commander of Erie Commandery No. 23, Knights Templar, and as president of the Sandusky Masonic Temple Association. He has been for many years a popular member and also a trustee of Sandusky Lodge No. 285, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is an enthusiastic yachtsman, in which connection he holds the rank of commodore in the Inter-Lake Yachting Association. He is a member of the Plum Brook Country Club and also of the Sunyendeand Club, another representative organization in his native city.

In the year 1905 Mr. Frohman married Miss Elnora L. Dauch, who also was born and reared in Sandusky. Mrs. Frohman is active in social and civic organizations of women and is a past grand matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, an organization allied with the Masonic fraternity. She is a daughter of Jacob J. and Mary M. (Wendt) Dauch, both natives of Erie County, where Mr. Dauch became one of the founders of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company and until his death in 1918 was one of the most influential figures in the industrial and commercial life of the City of Sandusky. Mr. and Mrs. Frohman have one son, Sidney, Jr., who was born in November, 1922.

HARRY K. BEMENDERFER. One of the basic industries, farming, has always been an important factor in the lives of the people, and it is well for us not to forget that agriculture calls for the best, that farming is the biggest, the most important job on earth, because every other man's job depends upon the job of the farmer. If the farmer stops working, the merchant, the manufacturer, the railroad man and the laboring man will have to cease their work. The whole machinery of human endeavor and human government will cease, even life itself, when the farmer no longer performs his duties, It is because of these facts which cannot be denied, that the farmers of the country occupy the place they do in every section, and particularly in Ohio which is one of the great agricultural states of the Union. One of the men who is making a success of farming because he has been carefully trained for his work, and possesses a natural aptitude or it, is Harry K. Bemenderfer, proprietor of the Honey Creek Stock Farm, a valuable property of 204 acres located one-half mile north and one-half mile west of Bloomville.

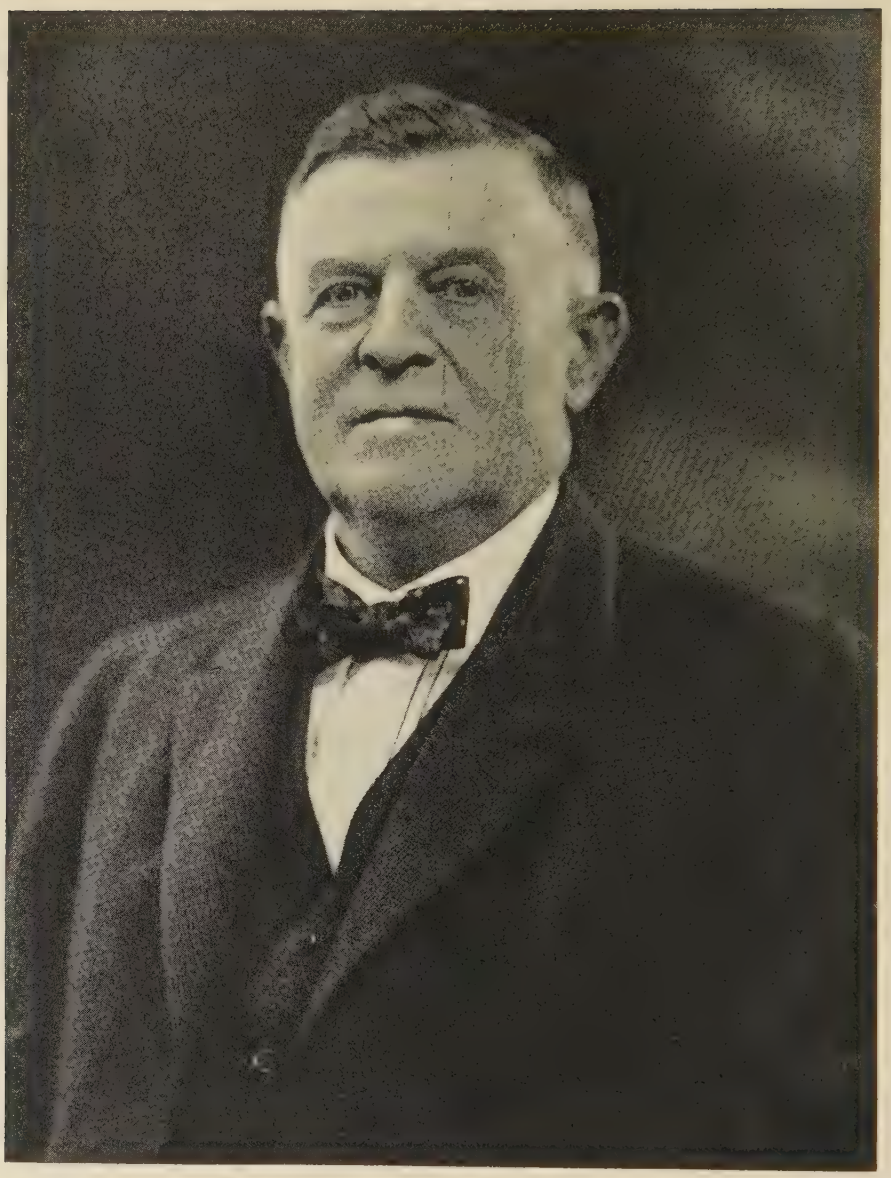
Harry K. Bemenderfer was born at Nevada, Wyandot County, Ohio, September 1, 1880, a son of Henry and Leah (Koller) Bemenderfer. Henry Bemenderfer was born in Stark County, Ohio, July 11, 1840, and his wife was born February 2, 1848, on the adjoining farm now owned by their son, Harry K. When still a child Henry Bemenderfer came with his parents to Venice Township, Seneca County, and here grew to manhood. After their marriage he and his wife began life together near Attica, in Seneca County, but later moved to Little Sandusky, where he conducted a flour mill, but still later lived for sixteen years at Nevada, Ohio. Finally they returned to Seneca and he continued to live near Bloomville until his death, June 1, 1907. She survived him until June 8, 1923. He was a member of the Reformed Church, and she also belonged to it. He belonged to the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In politics he was a democrat. Of their three children, Harry K. is the only survivor. Of the other two, Isabele died at the age of eighteen months, and the other, Edwin, at the age of seventeen years.

Harry K. Bemenderfer was reared on his present farm from the time he was two years old, and consequently knows no other home. The local schools gave him his education, and he is thoroughly identified with the neighborhood interests. While carrying on farming, for a time he held contracts for contruction work on the Pennsylvania Railroad in his district. From boyhood he has learned farming through practical experience, for he is no book farmer. However, he does not neglect advice, nor fail to profit by the experience of others, and reads several farm journals and the bulletins of the farm bureaus. His handsome property shows the effects of scientific farming and constant attention, and he is very proud of it. His broad fields are productive, his buildings modern and in excellent repair, and his machinery is of the latest pattern. In fact he makes a business of farming, and it is a profitable one.

February 26, 1902, Mr. Bemenderfer was married to Bertha Rine, who was born in Scipio Township, Seneca County, and educated at the Republic Common and the Bloomville High schools. They have five children: Beatrice, who was graduated from the Bloomville High School, was a public school teacher, and is now the wife of Harold C. Wolfe of Toledo, Ohio; Paul, who was graduated from the Bloomville High School, in 1920-21-22-23 was a judge of live stock at the state fair held at Columbus, and in 1923 was the successful contestant in oratory, his theme being "The Country's Call," he is now attending Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio; Mary, who is attending the Bloomville High School; Joyce and Lloyd, who are attending the common schools. The family belong to the Reformed Church. Mr. Bemenderfer is a Mason and is a member of Eden Lodge No. 310, Free and Accepted Masons; Seneca Chapter No. 42, Royal Arch Masons; Clinton Council No. 47, Royal and Select Masters, and De Molay Commandery No. 49, Knights Templar; Luella Chapter No. 223, Order of Eastern Star. He also belongs to the Honey Creek Camp No. 7396, Modern Woodmen of America. After many experiments Mr. Bemenderfer has decided that the Holstein Cattle and Big Type Poland-China Hogs are the best strains, and breeds and raises them. He is also an active member of the Seneca County Fair Company and the Seneca County Agriculture Society.

WILLIAM MARTIN RITTER is a well known citizen of Youngstown, where he has spent practically all his life, a railroad man until injured, and is now connected with the General Fire Proofing Company.

He was born at the family home at 707 Covington



John Ritter

Street in Youngstown, May 19, 1880, son of Peter Ritter. Peter Ritter was born at Mill Creek in Huntington County, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1846, son of David and Elizabeth (Wolfkill) Ritter, natives of the same locality. Peter Ritter was educated in the common schools, and on April 4, 1863, at the age of seventeen enlisted in Company E of the Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Infantry. At first he was on provost duty at Philadelphia, and in the fall of 1863 went to the front and during the year 1864 participated in many battles and skirmishes, including Spotsylvania, the wilderness and the siege and battle of Petersburg, Virginia. At the battle of Spotsylvania, May 11, 1864, he was shot on the right side of the mouth, the shot taking out two of his teeth. He received his honorable discharge in July, 1865, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and then returned home. On April 26, 1870, he married Elizabeth J. Landis, who was born at Crescent in Blair County, Pennsylvania, February 10, 1849. In 1871, Peter Ritter brought his family to Youngstown. He had been a coal miner and in 1873 he was employed as engineer in the Smith Brewing Company, and in 1895, took up the occupation of carpenter, a trade he followed until 1921. He has since lived retired in the house he built in 1874 on Covington Street. He is an active member of Grand Army Post No. 55, is a republican, and a member of the First Baptist Church. His wife died October 6, 1918. They were the parents of five children: Thomas and Millie, both deceased; May, wife of Frank Mounts, of Mahoning County; William M., of Youngstown; and Carl, of Youngstown.

William Martin Ritter as a boy attended the Covington Street School, and his working experience for several years was in a bottling plant. After his marriage he entered the service of the Erie Railroad, as a fireman, and was on duty until October, 1916, when he was seriously injured in the left shoulder, an injury that crippled him, but he has returned to useful employment with the General Fire Proofing Company of Youngstown. Since May, 1918, he has occupied a fine modern home at 321 Jefferson Street in Youngstown.

He married November 28, 1908, Lida Roberts, born at New Castle, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1884, daughter of Benjamin and Minnie (Cook) Roberts, also natives of Pennsylvania. Her parents were married at Sharon, Pennsylvania, June 9, 1883, and her father spent all his active career on the farm where he was born. He died April 12, 1903, and her mother now lives at Andover, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Ritter have four children: Gertrude May, born July 14, 1910; Harold Eugene, born February 25, 1912; Kenneth Leroy, born March 28, 1920; and William Frederick, born December 27, 1922. Mrs. Ritter received part of her education in the public schools of Streator, Illinois, and subsequently attended school at Youngstown. They are members of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Ritter is a republican and a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers.

Mrs. Emma C. King. The subject of this sketch, Miss Emma C. King, has been a life-long resident of Xenia, and naturally, is interested in all that pertains to its civic, educational, and moral welfare. She resides in the family home "The Kingdom," which was built more than sixty years ago, and has been owned in whole or in part, by three generations of her family, and whose roof has oft-times sheltered the fourth generation. Miss King is of old New England lineage, belonging on the maternal side of the family, to the first generation born out of New England in more than 300 years. She is a lineal descendant of Governor William Bradford of Plymouth Plantation, of Captain John Mason the exterminator of the Pequot tribe of Indians, who historians declare "was to the Connecticut Colony what Myles Standish was to Plymouth Plantation," and of others more or less prominent in early Colonial history. Her great-great-grandfather., Major Elihu Kent, and her great-grandfather, Capt. Elihu Kent, Jr., (a lad of nineteen) served in the Colonial Army during the War of the Revolution. Many people of prominence in the early, and more recent history of New England are connected on collateral lines with the King and Kendall families, notable among whom are Ralph Waldo Emerson, Rev. Jonathan Edwards, and the Timothy Dwights long associated with Yale University.

Miss King is the youngest of the five daughters of the late Joseph Warren and Betsey (Kendall) King, both of whom were natives of the village of Suffield, Connecticut, and immediately after their marriage emigrated to Ohio, by the primitive methods of transportation, the stage-coach and the canal. There was then but one short railroad in the State, somewhere in its northern part.

Mr. King was, in his early life, a man of limited financial resources, his only capital being energy, industry, perseverance, integrity, and his heritage of New England thrift, all of which qualities stood him in good stead in his various business activities which were chiefly those of banker and manufacturer. He was a liberal supporter of his church and generous toward all philanthropic undertakings which appealed to him. His family is of early English origin (with a strain of French blood, De Vaution, anglicized devotion), his earliest immigrant ancestor, James King, having settled in Suffield in 1728. The armorial bearings of the King family were granted in 1611 and are entered as of that date, in the College of Arms, London. The ancient seal bearing this coat of arms is in the possession of the subject of this sketch.

The five daughters of Mr. King were all graduates of Xenia College, an institution of high rank in its day but now extinct. His three granddaughters are all graduates of Vassar College. His only grandson, the author of "The Stone Age" and an authority on the American Indian, is director of the department of archæology of Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts. Of Mr. King's ten great-grandchildren two are graduates of Harvard University, one of Princeton, two are now sophomores at Amherst and Princeton respectively, and another—having given up his collegiate training in order to enlist in the service of his country in the World war—has entered on a business career. Of his two great-granddaughters one is a junior in Vassar College, and the other engaged in preparatory work for entrance there. Of the two younger great-grandsons of Mr. King, one is now a student at the Groton School, and the other in a private school in New York.

The subject of this sketch, Miss Emma C. King, was a charter member of the Xenia Library Association, organized in 1878 and still active and efficient, and the only local organization of women which has enjoyed an uninterrupted existence for so long a period of time; she was the founder of the Catherine Greene Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, thirty years ago, and has for many years held membership in a number of hereditary societies, among which are: The Society of Mayflower Descendants, the Society of Descendants of Colonial Governors, the Society of Colonial Dames, the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution, the Society of Huguenot Descendants, the Mary Washington Memorial Society.

John Ritter, the efficient and popular superintendent of the Erie County Children's Home, at

1008 Sycamore Line, Sandusky, has held this office since 1919, and his administration has been marked by effective executive policies and by the gracious and kindly sympathy and interest which assure to the children under his charge the best of care and attention.

Mr. Ritter was born in Cumberland, Maryland, January 17, 1862, and is a son of Louis and Louise (Shafer) Ritter, natives of Germany. Louis Ritter, a cooper by trade, came with his family to Sandusky in 1864, and was here engaged in the work of his trade for a long term of years, both he and his wife having been residents of Sandusky at the time of their death, and both having been earnest communicants of the Evangelical Church.

John Ritter was about two years old at the time the family home was established in Sandusky, and here he was reared and educated. He attended the public schools until he was seventeen years of age, learned the cooper's trade under the direction of his father, and in 1887, as a representative of the Kilbourne Cooperage Company, he went to San Francisco, California, where he served as foreman of the company's cooperage establishment eleven years. He then returned to Sandusky, where he continued his alliance with the same company until 1915. Thereafter he gave about four years to the operating of a railroad car for the transportation of live fish to the New York and Philadelphia markets. He retired from this business when he accepted his present position, that of superintendent of the Erie County Children's Home.

Mr. Ritter is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Loyal Order of Moose, has membership in the Evangelical Church, and his wife is a communicant of the Catholic Church.

In 1899 Mr. Ritter was united in marriage with Miss Anna Hintershied, who was born in Columbus, Ohio, her father, Peter Hintershied, having been a newspaper editor. Mr. and Mrs. Ritter have no children, and thus their parental instincts and affections come specially into play in connection with the care of the children of the home which is maintained under their fostering charge.

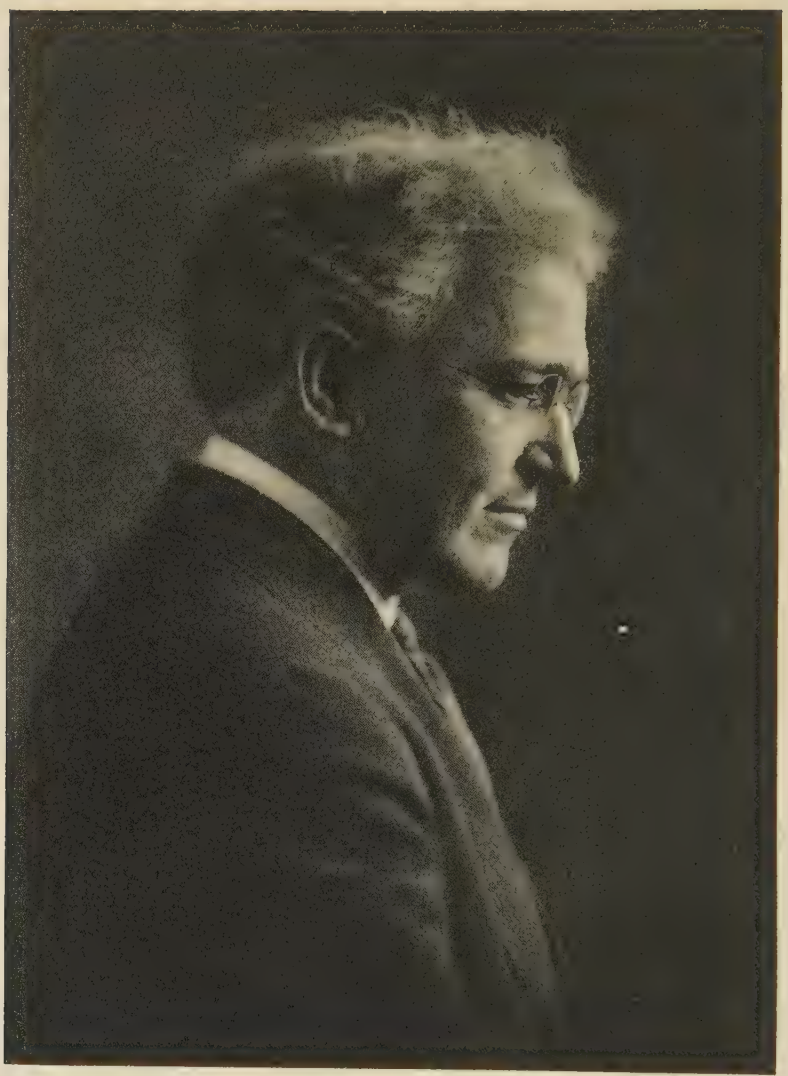
H. L. Reed & Company. Under this corporate title is conducted one of the leading mercantile enterprises in the city of Mansfield, and of the large and well equipped dry goods establishment of this concern Henry Goetz, a native son of Mansfield, is now the general manager.

The business of H. L. Reed & Company had its virtual inception nearly sixty years ago, for it was in the year 1865 that the late Captain Horace L. Reed, a young veteran soldier of the Civil war, here opened a book store. Captain Reed continued to conduct the book and stationery store until 1875, when he established himself in the wholesale notion business. Three years later J. B. Ink became associated with the enterprise, and a third partner was Pinkney Lewis. In 1883 the wholesale business was abandoned in order to concentrate the enterprise in the retail dry goods department, which had been established in 1880. Within the intervening years this substantial and popular concern has developed one of the foremost retail mercantile emporiums in the City of Mansfield, and its place is one of the important dry goods establishments of this section of Ohio. In 1894 Mr. Lewis severed his connection, and the business thereafter was continued under the firm name of H. L. Reed & Company until 1902, when, as a matter of commercial expediency, the business was incorporated, the original title being retained. The capital stock at incorporation was $60,000 and H. L. Reed continued president of the company until his death, when he was succeeded by his son Horace. E. C. A. Reed was made secretary of the company, and the other members of the board of directors were Jane Reed, and Henry Goetz. James L. Lauck, son-in-law of H. L. Reed, was connected with the business for a number of years until his death. Miss Helen Kaufman is now a member of the directorate of the company, and the establishment, known as "The Old Reliable," occupies the old Sturges corner, the most central and valuable business site in Mansfield and one that has been devoted to merchandising for more than a century; it being a matter of authentic record that on this corner a pioneer mercantile establishment was situated as early as the year 1815. The present building, four stories in height and 55 by 110 feet in dimensions, has been a landmark for fully three-quarters of a century, and the entire building is utilized by The H. L. Reed Company for the accommodation of its large and select stocks of dry goods, millinery, carpets, draperies and ready-to-wear garments for women and children. This establishment has built up a reputation for most efficient service to patrons, and its large and representative trade is based on such service and on an insistent policy of fair and equitable dealing, the only normal basis for the upbuilding of a prosperous business. The organization of the company is most effective, marked by loyalty and harmony, and among the sixty or more employes of the company are several who have been identified with the business the major part of their lives thus far.

In appreciation of the founder of this old and important mercantile establishment recourse is taken from a sketch written by A. J. Baughman and published in the history of Richland County, formal marks of quotation being omitted, by reason of minor changes in the context.

Capt. H. L. Reed was born in Portage County, Ohio, November 13, 1840, and in the old Buckeye State he was reared and educated. He was nineteen years of age at the inception of the Civil war, and soon gave evidence of his insistent patriotism by enlisting in August, 1862, as a member of Company I, One Hundred Fourth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. After being advanced to the rank of second lieutenant, in 1863, he was almost constantly in command of his company, which served in the commands of General Scofield and General Thomas. Captain Reed was wounded while leading his company in a charge made at Fort Anderson, North Carolina, and he continued in active service until the close of the war. With his company he was mustered out in June, 1865, and after receiving his honorable discharge he soon established his residence at Mansfield, where he passed the remainder of his life. In the conducting of the book store, as noted in a preceding paragraph, he became associated with his brother, J. H. Reed, and his splendid initiative and executive ability later came effectively into play in the upbuilding of the great mercantile enterprise through which his name is still perpetuated and with which he continued his connection until his death. Mr. Reed was a man of sterling character and great civic loyalty, and he was for years senior deacon in the Congregational Church of Mansfield, active and influential in the various departments of its work and service.

Henry Goetz, the present and honored general manager of the business of H. L. Reed & Company, was born and reared at Mansfield and was a mere lad when he became associated with the business of which he is now the executive head. His advancement has come as the natural result of ability and fidelity, and he has incidentally gained experience that gives him authoritative knowledge of all details and departments of the business now carried forward under his able supervision. He is one of the



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liberal and loyal citizens of his native city and county and is ever ready to lend his influence and cooperation in the furtherance of measures and enterprises projected for the general good of the community.

JOHN T. WATTERS is a native of Ohio, and since leaving high school has been identified with newspaper work in this and other states. He is the present manager of the Springfield Daily and Sunday Sun, one of the largest and most influential newspapers in Clark County.

Mr. Watters was born at Toledo, Ohio, July 4, 1892, son of John T. and Margaret (Casey) Watters, being of Irish ancestry on both side. His paternal grandparents, Patrick and Bridget Watters, came from Ireland and settled in Ohio. John T. Watters, who died in January, 1923, was connected with the manufacturing business in Sturgis, Michigan. He was a Catholic. His widow is still living. There are two sons, Edward C. and John T. Edward married Charlotte Merman, of Toledo, and their children are named: William, Robert and Edward, Jr. John T. Watters attended public school in Toledo, graduated from the parochial high school in 1913, and his first work as a newspaper man was with the Toledo News-Bee, serving on its staff of reporters. Five years later, when the same interests that owned the News-Bee started a new publication in Chicago, Mr. Watters was selected as its business manager, and remained in that city several years. In 1917 he returned to Ohio and became assistant business manager of the Akron Beacon-Journal, serving it for two and one-half years, and then came to Springfield as general manager of the Sun, which is owned by the same interests that control the Akron Beacon-Journal.

Mr. Watters during the World war was assigned to the fourth class. He is a Catholic and a Knight of Columbus. He married at Chicago, October 12, 1915, Miss Suzanne V. Bridoux, only child of Charles H. and Jeanne (Merot) Bridoux, both of French ancestry. Her father, who died in 1913, was a manufacturer of special sewing machines for making gloves, and was a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. Mr. and Mrs. Watters have two children, named Charles J. and Suzanne M.

WILLIAM C. MILLS, who served with the navy during the World war, represents the third generation of the Mills family in Clark County, and is the present county auditor.

His grandfather, William Mills, was born in the north of Ireland, where he married Mary Johnson, and in 1847 came to America, soon afterwards establishing his home in Springfield, Ohio. He was a building contractor and landscape gardener, and was one of the first to hold the office of street commissioner. He was active in the Episcopal Church. His death occurred in July, 1877.

His son, William Mills, Jr., was born at Springfield, Ohio, October 10, 1856, and in 1881 was elected to the office of street commissioner, which his father had held before him. He was educated in the public schools of Springfield. He early took up the contracting business, and for many years he and his brother Robert operated stone quarries and lime kilns, introducing the first large stone crusher in the county. He is still in the building supply business and has a lime plant in Mad River Township. He is a member of the Episcopal Church, and a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner. William Mills married Mary C. Carr, daughter of Joseph and Jane (Courtney) Carr. Six children were born to their marriage: Charlotte, who died in infancy; Mary C.; William C.; Agnes R.; Joseph A., who was in the heavy artillery during the World war, and married Frances Todd, and has two children, and Robert H.

William C. Mills was born at Springfield, August 13, 1895, graduated from high school in 1915, and for two years attended Wittenberg College. He enlisted September 17, 1917, and was sent to the Great Lakes Training Station, spending three months there, and in Charleston Navy Yard was assigned duty on board the U. S. S. Schurz. This boat in June, 1918, sank, all the crew escaping in life boats and rafts, and after three hours' float were picked up and returned to the Brooklyn Navy Yard. After that William C. Mills acted as quartermaster of the first class, and from Brooklyn Navy Yard was sent to South Chicago on the U. S. S. Wilmette, receiving his honorable discharge December 18, 1918. Following his return home he worked in a hardware store, attended the Willis Business College, for a short time was assistant storekeeper with the Ohio Electric Company, and was then with the Kelley Motor Truck Company until March 1, 1920, when he was appointed chief deputy auditor under R. W. McKinney. On the resignation of Mr. McKinney he was appointed auditor by the Board of County Commissioners, effective February 1, 1921, and in the fall of 1922 was regularly elected auditor for a term of four years. He is the youngest auditor the county has ever had.

He married in October, 1920, at Springfield, Miss Dorothy W. Brain, daughter of Willard and Adella Brain, her father a lumberman. Mrs. Mills is the oldest of seven children, the others being George L., M. Jennett, Allen H., Virginia, Irvin and Marshall. Mr. and Mrs. Mills have two children, Willard Carr and Donald Richard, who represent the fourth generation of the family in Springfield. Mr. Mills is a member of the Oakland Presbyterian Church, is a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Knights of Khorassan, and the college fraternity Alpha Tau Omega.

HENRY JACOB POOL, M. D. Beginning the practice of his profession at Port Clinton, in 1902, Doctor Pool has become one of the best known surgeons along the lake shore district of Northern Ohio. His abilities some years ago were accorded special recognition when he was chosen a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He is founder and proprietor of Pool Hospital, which was established in 1906.

Doctor Pool was born at Toledo, Ohio, August 4, 1875, son of Jacob and Mary (Machen) Pool, who were also born in Toledo. His mother died at the age of thirty-five. His father in early years was a watchmaker of Toledo, and conducted a jewelry store on Cherry Street in that city until about 1894, when he went south to the State of Louisiana, and at Crowville, Louisiana, he became a cement contractor. He died there in 1921, at the age of sixty-nine. A devout Catholic, he built a church of that denomination at Winnesboro, Louisiana. He was a democrat, and was early very active in public affairs. In the family were eight children, seven of whom are still living. Arnold and Lewis are twin brothers, Arnold being a chiropractor at Toledo, and Lewis a real estate dealer. Alosius lives in New York. The oldest of the family was Mrs. Mary Webster, who died in Toledo. Two other daughters are Mrs. Bernandino Knapp, of Toledo, and Mrs. Florence Sulkie, wife of a farmer of Deerfield, Michigan.

Henry Jacob Pool was thrown on his own resources, and in the midst of unfavorable circumstances he contrived the opportunities for his education and advancement. Probably no man in Ohio has a more intent love of his profession than Doctor Pool. As

a youth he was attracted to this profession, but there were many obstacles to be overcome while qualifying himself. When he was eleven years of age he began learning the trade of watchmaker in Toledo, and worked there and at Adrian, Michigan, and Port Clinton, Ohio, branches. He had only the advantages of the common schools, and while working with a watchmaker he employed a private tutor and by diligent study perfected a liberal education. He passed an examination and entered the Cleveland College of Physicians and Surgeons, and paid part of his expenses while there acting as assistant chemist. He was graduated in 1902. At school he had always been a research student, and he studies as hard today as he did in his early years of practice. He has attended many clinics, and has kept in touch with the eminent men in surgery and their work. His first partner in practice was Doctor Huffman, who was killed, and subsequently he was associated with Dr. C. C. Stark, who during the World war was called to service and is still with the Army Medical Corps. A former partner was Doctor Brindling, who is now practicing in Toledo, Ohio. His present partner is Dr. G. M. Reily.

The equipment and facilities of the Pool Hospital are modern in every particular, and he has made its management conform with the regulations adopted by the American College of Surgery. During the World war he offered his services, but on account of physical incapacity they were not accepted. However, he performed much duty as medical examiner of the local draft board. He has been a member of the city council, and was the first president of the Parent-Teachers' Association. He is president of the Kiwanis Club of Port Clinton, is a member of the Tri-State Medical Society, the Radiological Society of North America, the Ohio State and American Medical associations and is a Fellow in the American College of Surgeons. Doctor Pool is a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythias.

He married Miss Louis Dedreaux at Cleveland. She was a trained nurse, having graduated from the nurses' training school of Pool Hospital. The three children of Doctor and Mrs. Pool are Lucile, born in 1908; Mary, born in 1911, and Betty, born in 1917.

Hon. Mell G. Underwood, of New Lexington, went into the Sixty-eighth Congress in 1923 to represent the Eleventh Ohio District, comprising the counties of Hocking, Perry, Fairfield, Ross and Pickaway. He is one of the youngest men in Congress and has had a brilliant career in politics in his home county of Ohio. A democrat he has carried a county normally republican three times.

Mr. Underwood was born on a farm near Rosefarm in Perry County, January 30, 1892, son of James E. and Sarah (Newlon) Underwood. The grandfather, William Underwood, came from Virginia and was a pioneer settler in Morgan County, Ohio. Two of his older sons were soldiers in the Union army. The Newlon family also came from Virginia. James G. Underwood was born in Morgan County, and was a farmer, and interested in merchandising and coal mining, operating a mine at Misco. He was a democrat, a Methodist in his younger years, and was a charter member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge at Corning. He died in March, 1921, at the age of sixty-three. His widow, now sixty-five years of age and a resident of New Lexington, is a daughter of Rev. William Newlon, who was an old time itinerant Gospel minister, riding horseback and preaching all over Southeastern Ohio. He was affiliated with the Primitive Baptist Church and died at the venerable age of ninety-six years. He was a soldier in the Civil war. Sarah Newlon Underwood has always been a devout member of the Primitive Baptist Church and reared her children in the same faith. Among the children, C. R. Underwood is an engineer associated with the Star Manufacturing Company at New Lexington. J. R. Underwood, is a merchant at Somerset, Ohio. Ralph D., connected with the automobile business at New Lexington, was in the aviation service during the World war, being trained at Kelley Field in Texas and at Ebbits Field in Arkansas. The son, Granville G., died at the old homestead. Bryan K., who went overseas with the engineers, contracted the influenza and after coming home died at the age of twenty-four. A daughter, Forrest, is the wife of C. F. Harper, who is chief of insulation for the Bell Telephone Company at Columbus.

Congressman Mell G. Underwood grew up on a farm, and his advantages after leaving the country school were of his own making. He did farm work, worked in a brick yard at a dollar and a half a day, doing some of the heavy labor of that industry, and even while going to school distinguished himself for his leadership among his fellow students. He attended the New Lexington High School, and for three years was in Ohio State University. He taught school in rural districts in Perry County for three years. Mr. Underwood began the study of law in the office of Thomas O. Crossin, and Judge T. D. Price, and attended the law department of Ohio State University in 1912-13. He was admitted to the bar in 1916, and in the same year was elected prosecuting attorney of Perry County. In that year he carried Perry County by a majority of 1,200, and in 1918 when reelected carried the county by 1,500 votes. In 1922 when he was nominated for congress to represent the Eleventh District, he carried his home county by 300 votes.

Mr. Underwood during the World war was legal adviser for the Perry County Draft Board and served on many of the committees doing war work. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and Knight Templar Commandery, and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He also belongs to the Elks and Knights of Pythias. One of the important factors contributing to his success in the law and in politics has been his habit, acquired in early youth, always to play the game square and the result is that all his friends and associates have learned to repose the utmost confidence in him.

Mr. Underwood married in 1915 Miss Mary E. Lewis, daughter of V. C. Lewis. She grew up at Cadiz, Ohio, is a graduate of the high school there, and of Ohio State University, and was a teacher in the rural districts of Harrison County until her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Underwood have two children, Mell G. Jr., and Max L.

Miss Elizabeth Decker is city treasurer of Hamilton, one of the few women to enjoy those or similar responsibilities in the public affairs of the state.

Miss Decker represents a prominent family in Hamilton, being daughter of John and Catherine (Vinson) Decker. Her parents were born in Germany, her father of German and her mother of French parentage. On coming to America they settled in Canada, and then moved to Hamilton, Ohio. John Decker, after being naturalized, cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln for president. He was a Union soldier in the Civil war and for many years very active in the Grand Army of the Republic, serving on the staff of commander Kissinger, of the Ohio Department of the Grand Army. His wife was a charter member of Wetzel Compton Woman's Relief Corps the Woman's Auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mrs. John Decker was noted for her intense loyalty to America. On every legal holiday

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she displayed an American flag before her dwelling and was thoroughly well informed on the origin of every such occasion. She started this custom as soon as her husband was made a naturalized American citizen, and continued it until her death.

John Decker was for many years in business as a shoe merchant in Hamilton. After he retired from that he opened an office as a pension attorney, and kept up that work until his death.

In the Decker family were three sons and five daughters: G. R. Decker, now consulting engineer in the City of New York; Fred R. Decker with the Wahl Eversharp Company of Chicago; John B. Decker with the Brownell Company of Dayton; Mrs. Sydney Snyder of Detroit; Mrs. R. F. McCombs and Mrs. H. L. Scott of Hamilton; Mrs. John G. Kaefer of Cincinnati, and Elizabeth.

Elizabeth Decker was educated in Hamilton, attending the grammar and high schools. By assisting her father she acquired a thorough knowledge of the details of pension work and she subsequently opened an office in Hamilton as a pension attorney and followed the business until 1921. In that year she was elected treasurer of the City of Hamilton by a majority of seventy-eight, but in the 1923 election was returned to office by a majority of 2,599. Miss Decker is a republican in politics, and has done considerable campaign work for her party in the state campaign.

She is a member of the Woman's City Club, the Eastern Star, and the Altrusa Club and is a Universalist. She is very popular both as an official and in social circles.

The Youngstown Cut Stone Company. Under this title is conducted in the City of Youngstown, Mahoning County, a substantial industrial enterprise of important order, in the handling of cut sandstone and Indiana limestone cut for architectural purposes. The office of the company is at 44 Linden Avenue and the works are situated on Williamson Avenue. The interested principals in this progressive business concern are Charles A. Collins and Hector McDonald, and both are scions of fine old Scottish ancestry.

Charles A. Collins was born in Midlothianshire, Scotland, September 1, 1862, and is a son of the late Joseph and Catherine (Martin) Collins. He received his early education by attending the schools of his native land, and there also he learned the trade of stone cutting. At the age of eighteen years Mr. Collins came to the United States, and he soon found employment at his trade, in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Later he followed his trade in Youngstown, Ohio, and here, in 1906, he became manager of the cut-stone works of Martin, Lobinger & Company. He continued his effective service in this executive capacity until February, 1923, when he became associated with Hector McDonald in purchasing the business with which he had been long identified and in the continuing of which the present title of the Youngstown Cut Stone Company was adopted. He is independent in politics, is a communicant of the Catholic Church, as was also his wife, and is affiliated with the American Insurance Union.

In that year 1886 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Collins to Miss Bridget Synon, who was born in Ireland, and whose death occurred, at Youngstown, in 1920, she being survived by seven children: Joseph is a resident of Youngstown, as is also Teresa, the wife of Robert Bailey; Catherine, Mary and Helen remain at the paternal home; Charles resides at Girard, this state; and Cecelia is the wife of William A. Maynard, of Youngstown.

Hector McDonald was born at Gateside, Ayrshire, Scotland, November 22, 1870, and is a son of Hector and Mary (McDonald) McDonald, both of whom passed their entire lives in their native land. Mr. McDonald was reared and educated in Scotland, and upon coming to America he landed in the port of New York City on the 12th of April, 1907. About two weeks later he went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and there he was employed at his trade, that of stone-cutter, for the ensuing period of five and one-half years. He then came to Youngstown, Ohio, where he continued in the work of his trade until he formed the partnership with Mr. Collins, as noted in an earlier paragraph of this review. He and his family hold membership in the Presbyterian Church, he, like his business partner, is independent in political matters, and he is actively affiliated with the Order of Scottish Clans.

In the year 1895 was recorded the marriage of Mr. McDonald to Miss Margaret Sampson, and their children are three in number: Agnes (Mrs. Allen), Hector, Jr., and May.

William Richard Horner. It is generally admitted that the men who are best adapted for handling the problems presented to the executive of any large concern are those who have a practical experience back of them, and who have worked their way up from humble beginnings, for they are able to view each question from different standpoints. Such a man is William Richard Horner, president and general manager of the Frohman Chemical Company of Sandusky, one of the solidly practical men in his line in this part of Ohio.

William Richard Horner was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 2, 1876, a son of Samuel M. and Lizzie S. (Room) Horner, also natives of Philadelphia. The paternal grandfather, Richard Horner, was born in Pennsylvania, and the maternal grandparents, Nathan D. and Hannah S. Room, were born at Philadelphia. After a useful life spent in working at his trade of a cooper Samuel M. Horner died at Philadelphia in 1894. His widow survives, and is living at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

After he had completed his studies in the Franklin and Drexel institutes William Richard Horner took an engineering course with the Scranton Correspondence School. His initial business experience was gained as a clerk in a Philadelphia shoe store, and after a year he went with Ashbrook Lincoln, wholesale grocer, with whom he remained for five years. Entering then the employ of the Philadelphia Quartz Company as a laborer, he worked his way up during the sixteen years he continued with that concern to be chief engineer. Leaving this company, he engaged with the Victor Talking Machine Company, Camden, New Jersey, as engineer, but a year later left to become superintendent of Meckling Brothers Chemical Company of Camden, New Jersey, and for the succeeding seven years held this position. On August 28, 1913, he came to Sandusky as general manager of the Frohman Chemical Company, and in 1921 was elected its president, so that now he is holding both positions.

On June 10, 1898, Mr. Horner married Miss Orvilla M. Belisle, born in New Jersey, a daughter of Robert S. and Josephine S. Belisle. Mrs. Horner died April 8, 1920, leaving no children. Mr. Horner belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Erie County Auto Club, which he is now serving as president, is a director of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, and was one of the organizers of the local body of Boy Scouts of America. In 1922 he was vice president of the Eastern Division of the Yellowstone Trail Association, and is now trailman of this organization. In politics he is a republican. He belongs to the Plum Brook Country Club. In 1923 he served as president of the Sunyendeand Club, was treasurer of the Sandusky

Rotary Club in 1923, and is a member of the Sandusky City Yacht Club and the Erie County Chapter, American Red Cross. He has held all of the offices in the different Masonic bodies, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and is (1924) eminent commander of Erie Commandery No. 23, Knights Templar, of Sandusky, Ohio, and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine of Zenobia Temple at Toledo. He is a member of the National Masonic Research Society, and is a member of the Holy Order of High Priesthood. In addition to his Masonic connections he belongs to the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Horner is a man who rates his fraternal connections very high, and finds much satisfaction in his work in their behalf.

MARTIN H. GILLEN has been a business man at Chesapeake and Lawrence County for a third of a century. It is his native town, and no one better known or more highly esteemed in that community than he.

Mr. Gillen was born at Chesapeake, January 26, 1873, son of Isaac M. and Amy (Kimball) Gillen, both natives of Ohio and now deceased. His maternal grandfather was Asa Kimball and his paternal grandparents were William and Rachael Gillen. Martin H. Gillen has always been interested in local and family history. He has in his possession a copy of the old Columbus Gazette published June 17, 1824, containing an advertised list of lands for sale for taxes in Lawrence County. He also possesses the original marriage certificate of his paternal grandparents, dated in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, February 28, 1804, and issued by John Way, Justice of the Peace. In this document William Gillen and Rachael Frampton make oath that they are free from all engagement or other impediment and have the consent of their parents to marry. Their signatures appear on the certificate, with those of twelve witnesses.

Isaac M. Gillen was born in Lawrence County and died in 1907. He spent his active career as a farmer and although much interested in public affairs would never take office. He is a member of the Methodist Church. He and his wife had eleven children: Mrs. Eva T. Smith, deceased; Clarence, deceased; Kimball W.; Mrs. Rachael Kounse; Mrs. Alice Waters; Cecil; Mrs. Julia Nichols; John Frank and Sarah, deceased; and Martin H.

Martin H. Gillen, the youngest of this large family, was reared on his father's farm and completed the work of the eighth grade of the district schools. Leaving school at the age of seventeen he engaged in the merchandise business at Chesapeake, and his active association with that line covered a period of thirty-two years. He finally sold out, and on January 1, 1921, with his two sons as equal partners, established the Chesapeake Auto Sales Company, agents for Ford cars. He now gives all his time to this growing and prospering business.

In March, 1899, at Chesapeake, Mr. Gillen married Amanda D. Adams, daughter of Joseph and Francis (Whitehead) Adams, natives of Ohio and now deceased. Her father was a farmer and a member of the Baptist Church. He died in 1912 at the age of eighty-one. In the Adams family were ten children: William, deceased; Mrs. Sarah Lake; Martha deceased; Mrs. Olive Brammer, deceased; Mrs. Alice Kerr, deceased; Charles H., deceased; Eliza; Mrs. Gillen, Mrs. Laura Brammer deceased; and Martin.

The two business partners of Mr. Gillen are his only children. They are Hugh Loder and Garland A. Gillen. Hugh married Thelma Holland and has a son, Hugh Robert. Garland married Jennie Dillon a sister of the present county school superintendent of Lawrence County, and they have a son, William Hunter Gillen. Mr. Gillen and family are members of the Christian Church and he is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

ERNEST P. DUERR is a member of a firm of general building contractors and manufacturers of building material at Pomeroy. He is general manager of the Pomeroy Cement Block Company. Mr. Duerr is one of the upright and thoroughly successful business men of his community and has made his own way in world since an early age.

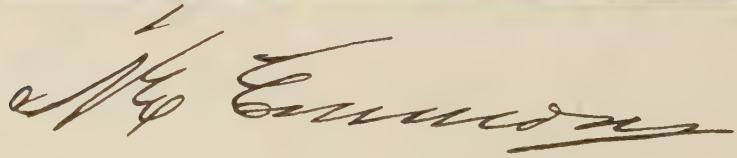
He was born near Pomeroy, April 22, 1888, a son of Philip and Mary (Priode) Duerr, and grandson of John George Duerr, and John Priode. Philip Duerr, a prosperous dairy farmer in Meigs County, was born near Syracuse in that county and is now sixty-eight years of age, while his wife is sixty-five. He has held various local offices on the school board and in the township, is a democrat and he and his wife are members of the German Methodist Episcopal Church. They had a family of two sons and five daughters.

Ernest Duerr at the age of eighteen left school to go to work in coal mines. He was employed in the Ebersbach mines, for eight years working in the Charter Oak Mine owned by the family of that name. In the meantime he had become more or less familiar with the tools of the carpenter's trade, as had his brother John, and he and his brother and Wilbur Finlaw, putting a very small amount of capital together, and each of them having a reputation for industry and honesty that afforded a basis for credit, they bought the Ryther building material plant and took charge of a then unimportant industry. Each one of the partners has worked as well as helped manage the business, and the result has been a most wonderful growth and development. They manufacture cement blocks, operate a planing mill, and supply an immense amount of building material both retail and wholesale. The partners have built a large number of homes, stores and other business buildings, including the Ebersbach Department Store, the Mattie Lust office building in Pomeroy, the Masonic Hall at Chester, the Pittsburgh Mining Company's office and store and numerous others.

Mr. Duerr in 1912 married Miss Lydia Lash, who was born at Elkhorn, Wisconsin, daughter of Fred Lash. They have three children, Geneva, Mary Phyllis, and George Mark. The family are members of the Enterprise United Brethren Church, Mr. Duerr being trustee of the church and secretary-treasurer of the church organization. He is also a speaker in the Sunday school. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Improved Order of Red Men, and has held all the offices in the Red Men's lodge. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club.

MARTIN A. TUTTLE. For over half a century the name Tuttle has been associated with the profession of law and public affairs in Northeastern Ohio. The late Grandison N. Tuttle was one of the most brilliant forensic lawyers and public leaders in the state for many years. His son, Martin A. Tuttle, followed him in the legal profession and for a quarter of a century has been an active member of the bar at Painesville.

The family is of old New England stock, coming from Connecticut to Ohio. In Connecticut lived a wheelwright named Joseph Tuttle, who was born at Lebanon that state on August 31, 1796. His son, Joseph Tuttle, was born at Bridgewater, Oneida County, New York, May 10, 1796, and in 1817 came to Northeastern Ohio and settled in Concord Township of Lake County when it was a wilderness, buying land and clearing up a farm from the woods. His



family lived in a log cabin for some years. He died in Concord Township, April 20, 1884. On January 2, 1823, he married Mrs. Mary (Kibbee) Adams, who was born at Barkhampstead, Connecticut, and died at Concord Township.

A son of Joseph Tuttle, the Lake County pioneer, was the late Grandison N. Tuttle who was born in Concord Township, March 20, 1837. He was reared there, was married at Willoughby, and first engaged in the practice of law there. In October, 1869, he was elected Judge of the Probate Court of Lake County, and began his official duties in February, 1870, soon afterward moving his home to Painesville. After serving on the Probate bench three terms, or nine years, he resumed his law practice. The same ability that made him so successful in winning cases at court brought him prominence in politics and public affairs. His chief distinction in Ohio politics came during the decade of the '70s in the strenuous fight he made against James A. Garfield, the Congressman representing that district. He had cast his first vote for John C. Fremont at the outset of the republican party, but after his political battle with Garfield he left the old party, becoming a leader in the Greenback-Liberal organization during the early '80s, and was a speaker for its candidate in many counties of Ohio. In 1896 he gave his support to William J. Bryan, and after that was usually aligned as a democrat, though at all times rather independent of party. In his younger years he served as a justice of the peace at Willoughby, and on the minority ticket accepted a place as candidate for a number of offices on the bench and also for Congressman. In his later years he became an ardent admirer of President Wilson, and was also a radical temperance worker having the greater influence in that cause from the fact that he was himself a total abstainer. Among his many friends in Northern Ohio he is spoken as an unsurpassed conversationalist and in his daily intercourse as well as in his public speeches he made liberal use of the resources of an extensive reading in general literature, history, philosophy and religion.

Grandison N. Tuttle, who died at Painesville, August 7, 1922, married Elizabeth A. Wilder, who was born at Vernon, New York, February 27, 1834, and died at Painesville, August 14, 1912. Their oldest child, Carlos G., died when seven years old, and Martin A., is the second child. Mary C., married Clarence T. Mehaffey, who was secretary and manager of the Lake County Savings and Loan Company, and president and manager of the Mehaffey Abstract Company at Painesville. The fourth child, Walter S., is connected with the Diamond Alkali Company of Painesville.

Martin A. Tuttle, was born at Willoughby in Lake County, March 12, 1869, and was an infant when the family home was moved to Painesville. He graduated from the high school in 1888, after which he pursued the classical course in Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1892, and in 1894, the degree Master of Arts was conferred upon him. In the meantime he had read law here in his father's office, and he completed the three years law course at Western Reserve Law School in two years, from 1892 to 1894. He was admitted to the Ohio bar June 5, 1894, but instead of immediately beginning practice, served four years as superintendent of schools of Painesville and Willoughby Township. In January, 1898, he started the formal practice of the law, and for a quarter of a century has been busy with a general practice. He is perhaps best known as an authority on municipal law. From 1903 to 1909 he served as solicitor of the City of Painesville, and again since 1920 has held that office. His own law offices are at 330 Main Street.

Mr. Tuttle during 1914-15 was director of service of the City of Painesville, and in 1920 was chairman of the city council. He is a democrat, is a member of the board of trustees of the First Congregational Church, at Painesville, is a member of the Delta Epsilon college fraternity, the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, the Lake County Bar Association.

Among his active connections with business he is a director of the Lake County Savings and Loan Company, a director of the First National Bank of Willoughby, a director of the Midland Realty Company of Painesville, and director of the Champion Building Company of Painesville. Besides his residence on Manor Avenue in Painesville, he owns a farm and summer home three miles east of the city on Grand River. During the World war Mr. Tuttle was on the executive committee of Lake County for handling the sale of all the Liberty Bond issues except the first and similarly did good work for the Red Cross and the Young Men's Christian Association. He spoke at numerous patriotic meetings throughout the county.

September 3, 1902, at Painesville, Mr. Tuttle married Miss Florence Allen, daughter of Horace and Tamzin (Churchward) Allen, the latter living with Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle. Her father who died at Painesville was a farmer. Mrs. Tuttle finished her education in the Lake Erie College at Painesville. To their marriage were born four children: Margaret A., who has finished the junior year in Oberlin College; Charlotte I., who has completed her sophomore year at Oberlin College; Allen G., who has completed his second year in the Painesville High School; and Elizabeth A., in grammar school.

Frederick Emmons still continues his alliance, though not in an official capacity, with the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company, one of the important commercial concerns in the City of Sandusky and of which he was president for two years.

Mr. Emmons was born at Crestline, Crawford County, Ohio, July 30, 1870, and is a son of Rev. Eugene and Frances (Shreck) Emmons, the former of whom was born at Milan, Erie County, Ohio, of which Sandusky is the county seat, and the latter was born in Baden, Germany, a daughter of John and Caroline Shreck, who established their home at Milan, Erie County, Ohio, when their daughter Frances was a child. Benjamin and Caroline (Holland) Emmons, paternal grandparents of the subject of this sketch, were early settlers of Milan, Erie County, and Benjamin Emmons was born at Woodstock, Vermont, of Colonial New England ancestry. Benjamin Emmons and his wife married while they were students in college, and they then settled in Milan. He also attended Illinois College at Jacksonville, Illinois, and Oxford and Kenyon colleges in Ohio. He was admitted to the bar, and practiced for a number of years in Erie County. Eugene Emmons followed for a term of years in Ohio his trade of millwright, and engaged in the lumber business. He was ordained a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as a minister of which he now has a pastoral charge in the State of Arkansas. His wife passed away in 1898.

In the public schools of Ohio Frederick Emmons continued his studies until his graduation from the high school, in 1892, at East Townsend, Huron County, Ohio, and later from Caton's Commercial Business College, Cleveland, Ohio, and thereafter he held for a short time a position as bookkeeper at Clarksville, Tennessee. He then went to the City of Seattle, Washington, and became associated with the firm of Maney-Gorig & Rydstron, engaged in the contracting and building business, in which connection they had the contract for the building of Government fortifications at Admiralty Head, Washington, now known as

Fort Casky. In 1900 he removed to Spokane, that state, and became concerned in mining development in Northern Washington and Northern Idaho. In 1903 Mr. Emmons established his residence in Sandusky, Ohio, and after a few years of service as bookkeeper and accountant for the Hinde-Dauch Paper Company he became secretary and assistant treasurer of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company, which is engaged in the manufacturing of corrugated paper products. He retained this office until 1922. In that year he was chosen president of the company, and this office he retained until January, 1924, since which time his alliance with the corporation has continued in a non-executive capacity.

Mr. Emmons has been a loyal worker in advancing the progressive civic and business policies of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, of the members' council of which he was chairman two years, besides having served as a director of the organization. He has membership in the Sunyendeand Club, of which he has served as president and a trustee, and he has also been called to the office of commodore of the Sandusky Yacht Club, in the affairs of which he has taken most lively interest. He is a member also of the Plum Brook Country Club.

Mr. Emmons is a stalwart in the local ranks of the republican party, has served as secretary of its County Central Committee in Erie County, as well as a delegate to its state conventions in Ohio. He is affiliated with and has passed the official chairs in the Masonic Order. He has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and is a member of Zenobia Temple at Toledo, Ohio. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias, Sandusky Lodge, Sandusky, Ohio. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, while his wife is a member of the Christian Science Church.

The year 1900 recorded the marriage of Mr. Emmons and Miss Jeanette Elizabeth Rea, in Spokane, Washington, who was born at Caney, Howard County, Kansas, and who is a daughter of Isaac and Luvicy Rea. Mr. and Mrs. Emmons have one son, Eugene Frank, who was born August 9, 1901, in Grangeville, Idaho, and who is now secretary and treasurer of the Union Chain Company of Sandusky. Eugene F. Emmons was graduated from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, as a member of the class of 1922, and in the following year he took a post-graduate course in Harvard University.

ELBERT F. BLAKELY, a Painesville attorney, who has practiced law in Lake County for over a quarter of a century and is a former prosecuting attorney, is of old New England stock and Revoluntionary ancestry.

His great-grandfather David Blakely, who was baptized July 30, 1749, in Roxbury Parish, Connecticut, became a soldier in the Third Company of the First Regiment under General Wooster, his company being recruited in New Haven County. He served in the siege of Boston. After the war he removed to Pawlet, Vermont, and was a farmer there the rest of his life. On February 28, 1776, he married Phoebe Hall, a daughter of Thomas Hall. The old homestead at Pawlet was owned by the descendants of David Blakely, until 1921.

His son, Nathaniel Blakely, who was born at Pawlet, Vermont, May 6, 1798, removed when a young man to Gainesville, New York, became a farmer, and coming to Ohio in 1854 bought the Grand River Mills a water power flour and feed mill at Madison in Lake County. He died at Madison in 1883. He was appointed an ensign of the One Hundred and Seventy-first Regiment of New York Infantry, his commission being signed by Governor DeWitt Clinton, February 28, 1827. Nathaniel Blakely married Polly Law, who was born at Wells, Vermont, and died at Madison, Ohio, December 30, 1874.

Harlow W. Blakely, father of the Painesville attorney, was born at Gainesville, New York, June 28, 1844, and was ten years of age when his parents came to Lake County, Ohio. He was reared at Madison, became a farmer, and lived out his life in that community, where he died June 6, 1910. He was a republican, served a number of years as trustee of Madison Township, and was an active supporter of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1862 at the age of eighteen he enlisted as a soldier of the Union, and was with Company D, of the One Hundred and Fifth Ohio Infantry until at the battle Chickamauga on September 19, 1863, he was shot through the left lung and was a long time in even partially recovering. Though he reached the age of sixty-six, his death was primarily due to his old wound.

Harlow W. Blakely married Alta C. Follett, who was born at Madison, Ohio, July 26, 1846, and died June 30, 1909, at Ashtabula. She was a daughter of Almeron and Clarinda (Miller) Follett. Almeron Follett was born at Dalton, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, in 1810, and in 1821 his mother came to Ohio and settled in Madison. He grew up there, followed the trade of carpenter and was a farmer, and died at Madison in 1896. Almeron Follett was a son of Roger Follett, who was born at Wyoming, Pennsylvania, August 9, 1763, and died when the son was eighteen months old. In 1821 Almeron came to Ohio with his mother and settled in Madison, where some of his older brothers then resided. The father of Roger was Benjamin Follett, Jr., who was born March 28, 1715, and lived for many years at Windham, Connecticut. His father, Benjamin Follett, Sr., was born at Salem, Massachusetts, in 1676, moving to Windham, Connecticut, in 1709, and died in 1752. The emigrant ancestor and the father of Benjamin, Sr., was Robert Follett, who was born in 1625 and spent most of his life at Salem, Massachusetts, where he died in 1708.

Elbert F. Blakely was born at Madison and Lake County, October 29, 1876, being the younger of the two children of his parents. His sister, Stella C., is the wife of Thomas H. Clark, a railroad employe at Ashtabula. Elbert F. Blakely attended public schools at Madison, graduating from the high school in 1893. For a year he taught school and read law at Madison, and in 1896 graduated with the Bachelor of Law degree from the law school of the University of Michigan. Admitted to the bar in 1896, he has steadily practiced his profession at Painesville. His offices are in the Painesville National Bank Building. Since 1909 he has been a partner of George W. Alvord in the firm of Alvord and Blakely. An associate member of the firm is Winfield S. Slocum.

Mr. Blakely is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, having enlisted a year or so after he began the practice of law. He was corporal of Company M, of the Fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He enlisted June 20, 1898, and was mustered out November 5, of the same year. He was sent to Tampa, Florida, and the Fifth Regiment was embarked ready to sail to Cuba when their vessel was rammed by another transport, and the war was over before another vessel could be secured. While in the South Mr. Blakely, like many other soldiers of that war, was stricken with typhoid malaria, and was in the hospital at Fort Thomas, Kentucky. Following this army service he was captain of Company M of the Fifth Regiment of the Ohio National Guard during 1900-02.

Mr. Blakely served as prosecuting attorney of Lake County, from 1904 to 1911. He is a republican, is a member of the Painesville Methodist Episcopal Church, being trustee of the church property, and is affiliated with Temple Lodge No. 28, Free and Accepted Masons, Painesville Chapter No. 46, Royal

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Arch Masons, Eagle Commandery No. 29, Knights Templar, is past grand of Cornucopia Lodge No. 212, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and belongs to the Knights of the Maccabees, the Sons of Veterans and the United Spanish War Veterans. He is a director of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Ohio State and American Bar Association also Lake County Bar Association.

Among other business interests, he is a director of the Citizens Savings & Loan Company of Painesville, is president of the Harbor Land Company, with offices at Painesville, and is a director of the Fairport Painesville & Eastern Railroad Company. His home which he built in 1914 is of the Colonial style of architecture at 120 West High Street.

During the World war Mr. Blakely was a member of the Legal Advisory Board of Lake County, and was one of the first four of the seventeen attorneys selected from the Cleveland District to go to France to assist the judge advocate general, but the armistice was signed before this mission was carried out.

On December 20, 1899, at Madison, Ohio, Mr. Blakely married Miss Jessie M. Quirk, daughter of Thomas and Caroline (Burns) Quirk, now deceased. Her father was a farmer and was trustee of Madison Township for several terms. The oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Blakely, Dorothy J., died at the age of eighteen months. Margaret C., is now a student in the Ohio Wesleyan University, Thomas Harlow, is a senior in the Painesville High School, and Elbert Quirk is in the grammar school.

Clarence B. Dillon has been actively and successfully identified with educational work in Ohio for more than a quarter of a century, he having been a teacher in the public schools fourteen years, his service in this connection having included that of high-school principal, and after six years, tenure of the position of district superintendent of schools in Lawrence County he was here elected county superintendent of schools, an office in which he is, in 1923, serving his sixth consecutive year in which his administration has been marked by the loyalty and progressive policies that ever conserve effciency and high standards. At the time of this writing, in the summer of 1923, Mr. Dillon has under consideration the resignation of his office and the acceptance of the superintendency of the public schools of Glouster, Athens County. He has been an enthusiast in his profession, and his work at all times has been distinctly constructive and effective. He is a member of the Lawrence County Teachers Association, the Ohio State Teachers Association, the National Teachers Association and the National Association of Superintendents of Schools. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, including the Order of the Eastern Star, and with the Knights of Pythias.

Mr. Dillon was born in the little village of Getaway, Lawrence County, Ohio, on the 17th of August, 1877. He is a son of Patrick H. and Sarah E. (Sites) Dillon, the former of whom is deceased and the latter of whom still resides in this county. Patrick H. Dillon passed his entire life in Ohio, and as a young man physical disability caused him to be rejected for service as a soldier in the Civil war. He made a record of successful work as a teacher in the district schools of Lawrence County and was long numbered among the representative farmers of this county. He was influential in community affairs and served as township assessor and trustee, as well as a member of the school board of his district. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which his widow likewise is a devout adherent. He was a son of Vincent Dillon and the family name of his mother was Jackson, the Dillons being of Irish lineage and the Jacksons of English. The first representatives of the Dillon family in Ohio came from Pennsylvania and settled in Monroe County, and it was from that county that Vincent Dillon came to Lawrence County, where he became a pioneer farmer and where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives. Mrs. Sarah E. (Sites) Dillon, now venerable in years, is a daughter of the late Charles W. and Hannah (Scott) Sites, the lineage tracing back to German and Scotch origin.

In the public schools of Getaway and Windsor Township, Lawrence County, Clarence B. Dillon acquired his preliminary education, and after teaching two years in the rural schools he attended the Ohio Normal School at Ada, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1902. He has been unceasing in his efforts to advance his individual education to liberal standards, and thus it may be noted that in August, 1911, he was graduated in the Ohio Northern University, at Ada, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and that in 1918 he was graduated in the Ohio State Normal School at Athens. Of his splendid achievement in the pedagogic profession and as an executive in the directing of educational work, adequate mention has been made in an earlier paragraph of this review. In politics Mr. Dillon is aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

At South Point, Lawrence County, on the 24th of April, 1907, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Dillon to Miss Elizabeth Ferguson, daughter of Theodore and Mollie (Davidson) Ferguson, who reside on their home farm in this county, both being members of the Baptist Church and both having been born and reared in Ohio. Prior to her marriage Mrs. Dillon had been a successful and popular teacher, and in this connection she held for some time the position of critic teacher in Marshall College, at Huntington, West Virginia. She, like her husband, is affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. and Mrs. Dillon have no children of their own, but have reared in their home an adopted daughter, Leona.

Harry Riley Spitler, N. D., D. O. S. In the special department of his calling to which he has devoted his principal efforts Dr. Harry Riley Spitler, of Eaton, Doctor of Neuropathy and Doctor of Optometric Science, has gained much more than local reputation. A man of broad experience and thorough and comprehensive training, he has advanced steadily both in standing and practice and the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow practitioners is evidenced in his position as president of the Ohio State Association of Optometrists.

Doctor Spitler was born April 1, 1889, at Sidney, Shelby County, Ohio, and is a son of Joseph L. and Martha (Good) Spitler, residents of Bradford, Pennsylvania, where Joseph L. Spitler is engaged in merchandising. The early education of Doctor Spitler was acquired in the public schools of Union City, Indiana, and after his graduation from high school he became a student in the Ohio Northern University and later in the University of Indiana. In 1909 he graduated from the Macfadden School of Mechano Therapy, then entering the National College of Chiropractic, from which he graduated in 1911. This was followed by post-graduate work at the Davis College of Neuropathy, where he specialized in Ophthalmology and Neuropathy. He then became physician in charge of Crab Orchard Sanitarium, at Crab Orchard, Kentucky, a post which he retained from 1911 until 1914, and in the meantime he practiced his calling. In 1919 was a student of applied optics at the Ohio State University. Doctor Spitler was director of education and editor of the Ohio State Journal of Optometry from 1919 to 1923, receiving the degree of Doctor of Optometric Science (honorary) in 1920 from the Nee-

dles Institute of Optometry, and 1924 was elected president of the Ohio State Association of Optometrists, a position which he retains. Late in the year 1915 he was appointed to be examiner in Neuropathy for the Ohio State Medical Board, a position he now holds. From 1916 to 1919 Doctor Spitler was president of the Ohio Association of Neuropathists. At present he is a member of that association, the Ohio State Association of Optometrists, the American Optometric Association, of which he is also a trustee, and the American Naturopathic Association. He is a Mason and a Shriner, belongs to the Sigma Phi Kappa fraternity, and in his politics is a republican. He is a past president and former secretary of the Eaton Chamber of Commerce. In 1923 he was a candidate in the primary election for mayor of Eaton. Doctor Spitler is the author of the word "iridiagnosis," used in drugless therapy, the name applied to a method of diagnosis, which he coined in 1914.

Doctor Spitler married Dr. Florence Marie Wilcox, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a graduate of the Chicago College of Neuropathy, class of 1912, and who was head nurse at the Crab Orchard Sanitarium, Crab Orchard, Kentucky. They have one foster son: J Ward, born December 16, 1920.

Alfred M. Barlow of Gallipolis was one of the young American officers on the battle front in France and Belgium, was severely wounded in the closing days of the great struggle, and after partially recovering he took up the study of law and is now the prosecuting attorney of Gallia County.

Mr. Barlow was born at Gallipolis, July 18, 1890, son of Marion S. and Eva (Browne) Barlow. His paternal grandparents were Stephen and Eliza (Bryson) Barlow. The Barlows came to Ohio in 1803 from Fairfield, Connecticut, where the old Barlow home is still standing. The maternal grandfather of the Gallia County attorney was Edward Browne. Alfred M. Barlow is a charter member of the Society of Sons and Daughters of Pilgrims at Columbus, and in ancestry is eligible for membership in the society of the Cincinnati. His mother is living at Gallipolis. Marion S. Barlow, who died in 1917 was in early life a merchant and coal dealer, and in the Civil war served as a sergeant in Company B of the Ninety-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was in the army three years, and after the war engaged in the shoe business at Pekin, Illinois. He sold out his business there, and in 1883 located at Gallipolis. He was an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church, serving as steward, and a member of the official board. He and his wife had two children, Alfred M. and Edwin Morley. Edwin, who died Thanksgiving Day 1920, married Mary Hall.

Alfred M. Barlow was reared at Gallipolis, graduating from the high school in 1909. He spent two and one half years in Ohio State University at Columbus, and returning home, attended the Normal Department of Rio Grande College. On April 2, 1917, a few days before America entered the World war, he was commissioned second lieutenant of the Ohio National Guards. On April 14 the guards were mustered into the national service, and in October of that year, his regiment went to Camp Sheridan, Alabama, where it remained until May, 1918. Then after a brief stay at Camp Lee he sailed with the regiment June 17, 1918 from Newport News, his regiment being part of the Thirty-seventh Division. He landed at Brest, was in training for three weeks, and was then sent to the Baccarat Sector at Bourmont. August 4, 1918, his regiment took the first trenches in the front line, and was on front line duty until September 16. The regiment then moved by slow march to the Argonne and started the offensive drive September 26, and continued it until relieved October 1. The regiment then returned to the quiet area at Pugny sur Meuse and was then ordered into Belgium at Ypres and started the attack on Oessene and across the Escaut River to Heurne. It was at the latter place that Alfred M. Barlow was wounded and lost his left leg. He was first sent to the British Red Cross Hospital at Wemereaus, and in December, 1918, was taken to London, England, and from there sailed to the United States. On his arrival he entered Embarkation Hospital No. 1, and on January 30, 1919, was removed to the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. On February 28, 1919, nearly two years after he had enlisted, he was given his honorable discharge. He remained at Washington to attend the Law Department of George Washington University, and the following summer, completed his literary education at the Rio Grande College, which gave him the Bachelor of Arts degree. He finished his law studies in Ohio State University, graduating Bachelor of Laws and after that was engaged in private practice at Gallipolis. In the fall of 1922 he was elected prosecuting attorney, beginning his term in January, 1923.

Mr. Barlow married, December 28, 1920, at Bellefontaine, Ohio, Miss Marion Sullivan, daughter of John C. and Emma May (Halbath) Sullivan. John C. Sullivan has long been a permanent figure in the political life of his section of Ohio. He served two terms as sheriff and was deputy sheriff for six terms, was county tax commissioner under the old law, and now has charge of the big game preserve at Indian Lake. He was one of the first men in his party to give enthusiastic support to Frank Willis as potential candidate for governor, and in his part of the state, at least, had much to do with developing sentiment for Mr. Willis. He is a Knight of Pythias and a member of the Methodist Church. In the Sullivan family are two children, Carmen A., and Marion. Carmen married Elsie Beardsley and has one child Marion.

Mr. Barlow is senior warden in the Episcopal Church, his wife being a member of the Methodist denomination. He belongs to the college fraternities Sigma Chi and Phi Alpha Delta, is a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Elks, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

J. M. Higgins, M. D. A native of Athens County, a practicing physician for thirty years, Doctor Higgins has done most of his professional work in his home county. Since 1902 he has been city health officer of Athens, and has been county health commissioner since 1919.

Doctor Higgins was born on a farm three miles south of Athens, October 4, 1861, and is a member of a family that has been in Southeastern Ohio for more than a century. His great-grandfather, Andrew Higgins, was probably a native of Ireland, and in pioneer times he brought his family from the vicinity of Pittsburgh to Athens County. His son Michael, grandfather of Doctor Higgins, was probably an infant when brought to Ohio, later became famous as a hunter and trapper on all the streams in the southeastern part of the state. He lived to the age of seventy-five. He married Polly McClintic, who reached the advanced age of ninety. Michael Higgins was a democrat in politics.

The parents of Dr. J. M. Higgins were Joseph S. and Hannah Ward (Hibbard) Higgins, both born in Athens County. His father was killed by a falling tree in 1902 at the age of seventy-five. The mother died the following year at the age of seventy-six. Joseph S. Higgins was a progressive farmer in Athens County, and always kept fine cattle, hogs and sheep. For six years he held the office of county commissioner. After the Civil war he became a republican. He was father of ten children. The five sons were: Dr. C. H. Higgins, who graduated

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from Ohio University in 1887, took his Doctor of Medicine degree at the University of Louisville, is also a graduate of Southwest College of Homeopathy, is now in practice at Zanesville, Ohio. Joseph is a farmer near Athens, and Cyrus and Daniel are both at the old homestead farm.

Dr. J. M. Higgins during his youth on the farm attended the district schools, and for several years was a teacher. He earned the money required for his advanced education. In 1887 he graduated from Ohio University at Athens, and for two years read law and was admitted to the bar. However, he never became seriously engaged in the practice of law. About that time he took up newspaper work in Fairfield and Perry counties, and subsequently went to Louisville, Kentucky, where he joined the force of the late Colonel Watterson's great paper, the Courier Journal. He worked in nearly all the departments of that paper, from linotype operator to reporter. His duties with the Courier Journal required most of his night hours, and during the day he carried on his studies in the medical department of the University of Louisville. He was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1893, and then engaged in practice at Louisville, until 1899. In the latter year he returned to Athens, and has kept up his continuous duties as a physician and surgeon here for nearly a quarter of a century. Doctor Higgins served four years as school examiner of the county, and has always been active in civic affairs. He is a republican in politics. He is past exalted ruler of the local Lodge of Elks.

In 1892 he married Miss Elizabeth Farmer. They have two children. The son, Dr. L. M. Higgins, is a graduate of Johns Hopkins University Medical Department and since 1920 has been resident physician of Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. The daughter, Louisa, is the wife of Dr. F. C. Langenberg, now associated with the medical staff of the Watertown Hospital. Both Dr. L. M. Higgins and Doctor Langenberg are graduates of Ohio University at Athens.

W. L. Tobey has been a successful figure in Ohio journalism for over thirty years, beginning during his college days. With a brief exception all his work has been with one publication, the Hamilton Daily Republican-News.

Mr. Tobey was born at Upshur, Preble County, Ohio, November 27, 1870. After attending the public schools he attended Miami University in 1886 when only fifteen years of age, and was graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1891. At Miami he was interested in all phases of student life, but particularly in literary organizations, being a member of the Miami Union Literary Society. With others he established the Miami Journal, which subsequently became the Miami Student, and for three years was editor and general manager of that college paper. He also began to work on a catalogue of the alumni of Miami University, and in 1891 published a triennial catalogue for the board of trustees. He was a member of the fraternity Beta Theta Pi and from 1893 to 1896 was one of the board of directors of that fraternity.

After leaving university Mr. Tobey joined the staff of the Dayton Evening Herald and for a time was editor of the Dayton Sunday Herald. In 1892 he became editor of the Hamilton Daily Republican. The Republican Publishing Company on March 21, 1898, acquired the News and Telegraph, consolidating the two papers under the name, Daily Republican-News. For a quarter of a century Mr. Tobey has directed the destiny of this successful journal as general manager and editor. His paper is published in one of the most modern printing establishments in Southern Ohio. Mr. Tobey in 1904 with others acquired the Dayton Journal and thus extended his interest in the Ohio newspaper field.

Mr. Tobey has always been interested in his alma mater, and in December, 1895, Governor McKinley appointed him a trustee of Miami University and he was reappointed by Governor Nash in 1901. In June, 1903, he was elected president of the board of trustees. He is affiliated with Washington Lodge No. 17, Free and Accepted Masons; Hamilton Chapter No. 21, Royal Arch Masons; Hamilton Council No. 19, Royal and Select Masters; Hamilton Commandery No. 41, Knights Templar; Hamilton Lodge No. 93, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Lone Star, Lodge No. 39, Knights of Pythias.

December 19, 1894, Mr. Tobey married Miss Fannie Douglas Smith, of Hamilton.

Hal C. De Ran has for over thirty years been a member of the Sandusky County Bar, is a former member of the Legislature, and has proved his loyalty on many occasions in his home city of Fremont.

He was born on a farm in Ballville Township, Sandusky County, December 17, 1872, son of Dennis and Anna (Flumerfelt) De Ran. He grew up on a farm, attended the rural schools of his home district, and after his public school education, entered the Law School of the University of Michigan, where he was graduated with the class of 1893. He was then twenty-one years of age, and after being admitted to the Ohio, bar, engaged in practice at Fremont. Mr. De Ran has always handled a general practice, and has been identified with a number of important cases in the local and state courts.

A forceful public speaker, he has been an active participant in many democratic party campaigns. He was elected to the Ohio House of Representatives in 1897, serving four years. He was a member of the minority party in the House, but rendered some good service in behalf of his home county and city.

Mr. De Ran is a member of the Ohio State Historical and Archæological Society, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias at Fremont. He married Miss Mabel Hubbard, daughter of John Hubbard, of Sandusky County. Their two children are Catherine and Hal C., Jr.

Albert Franklin Sarver, M. D. The medical profession is ably represented at Greenville, Ohio, and here, as elsewhere in educated, cultivated communities, its members are held in the high esteem that their scientific requirements and their professional achievements so richly deserve. One of the younger members of the medical fraternity at Greenville is Dr. Albert Franklin Sarver, physician and surgeon, and an overseas veteran of the World war. Doctor Sarver is president of the Darke County Medical Association.

Albert Franklin Sarver was born in Darke County, Ohio, September 3, 1888, and is a son of Adam and Della Sarver, residents of Greenville, where his father is engaged in the tobacco business. For a number of years before coming to Greenville Adam Sarver was a successful farmer and stockraiser in Darke County, where the family first settled in pioneer days.

In the country schools and the public schools of Arcanum, Ohio, Doctor Sarver spent his boyhood and early youth, then turned his attention to medical study and entered the medical department of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1913. Following graduation he served during 1913-14 as interne in Mount Carmel Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, and then located at Greenville and established himself here in the practice of his profession. The coming of the great World war brought to him, as to thousands of others, radical changes in his life. On

December 9, 1917, he entered the service of the United States, and spent the following three months in the Medical Officers Training Camp at Fort Riley, Kansas. He was then attached to the Three Hundred Fifty-fifth United States Infantry, Eighty-ninth Division, Camp Funston, Kansas, and with this unit started overseas June 2, 1918, and was safely landed at Liverpool, England. After fifteen days at Camp Woodley, near Winchester, the division sailed from Southampton for France, landed at Havre, and went to the Vosges battle front on the 8th of August, there being but three months interval between the peaceful environments of his native land and the fury of battle and destruction on foreign soil, the full story of which has never yet been adequately told. He served on that battle front until October 26, being under fire for 100 days, then fell sick and was sent to Base Hospital 49, Alery, France, and later to the Convalescent Hospital at Hyers. He returned to the United States by way of Paris and Bordeaux February 2, 1919, and was honorably discharged at Camp Dix February 10, 1919.

As soon as possible Doctor Sarver resumed practice at Greenville, and occupies a position of high merit here. He is identified with numerous professional organizations and, as noted above, is president of the Darke County Medical Association, of which he had been secretary for six years.

Doctor Sarver married at Greenville, December 28, 1920, Miss Naomi Arens, and they have a daughter, La Jenne, who was born August 19, 1922. Doctor and Mrs. Sarver are members of the Presbyterian Church. He belongs to the American Legion and was active in assisting in the organization of the American Legion Band, now the official band of this body in the State of Ohio. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge at Greenville, belongs also to the Red Men and the Elks, and still preserves his membership in the Phi Kappa Greek letter fraternity of university days.

Curtis E. McBride. Numbered among the skilled, resourceful and highly cultured attorneys practicing at the bar of Mansfield, Curtis E. McBride is easily one of the most distinguished men of Richland County, and one whose influence has had a determining effect upon his times. He was born in Richland County, August 11, 1858, a member of one of the old families of this region. His grandfather, Alexander McBride, located in Monroe Township, Richland County, about 1800, coming here from Hampshire County, Virginia, and about the same time another resident of that county, Lambert La Rue, also settled in Monroe Township. Alexander McBride's wife was the daughter of Benjamin Barnes. The son of Alexander McBride and his wife, Union McBride, married Nancy Jane Smart, a native of Richland County whose father, Joseph Smart, was a son of William Smart, who erected the first house in what was then Franklinton, Ohio, but is now a part of the city of Columbus. William Smart subsequently returned to Pennsylvania, where he married, and then with his wife came back to Ohio and settled in Monroe Township. He, his son Joseph Smart, Alexander McBride and Lambert La Rue all lived into a ripe old age, and all enjoyed the confidence and respect of their neighbors.

Union McBride and his first wife, Nancy Smart, were married in 1856, but she died in 1865, and he subsequently married Adeline Crider and moved to Illinois, where he spent a few years, but finally returned to Richland County, and died here at the age of sixty-eight years. By his first marriage Union McBride had three children, but Curtis E. McBride was the only one of them to reach maturity, and he was reared by his maternal grandfather.

Growing up on his grandfather's farm, where he remained until he was sixteen years old, Curtis E. McBride attended the country schools of his neighborhood, and at that age entered the preparatory department of Wooster University of Wooster, Ohio, where he remained until the close of his junior year. At the age of twenty-one he married Minnie Rhodes. Having decided upon a legal career the ambitious young man read law yith Col. Barnabas Barnes and Thomas McBride, his uncle, who were in partnership and were among the older lawyers of this part of Ohio. Colonel Barnes, a veteran of the Union army, was one of the best-known men in Ohio at that time. Mr. McBride pursued his studies so diligently and rapidly that he was admitted to the bar March 7, 1882, at the same time as his cousin Curtis, son of Thomas McBride, and for a year the three were in partnership under the firm name of McBride, McBride & McBride. In 1884 Mr. McBride went with S. G. Cummings, under the firm name of McBride & Cummings, the latter a prominent attorney, but now deceased. This association continued for some years. On February 9, 1902, Mr. McBride and Mr. Cummings took Judge N. M. Wolfe into the firm on his retirement from the bench. When Mr. Cummings died in July, 1916, the present firm of McBride & Wolfe was formed. Mr. Cummings was one of the best office lawyers in Ohio, and an authority on title, abstracts and all other matters pertaining to realty transactions, a fine counsel, wholly devoted to his practice. In 1884 Mr. McBride became legal counsel for the Beltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, and, in addition, in 1896 became counsel for the Big Four Railroad Company. For twelve years he has been counsel for the Lake Erie & Western Railroad Company, for ten years he has been counsel for the Erie Railroad Company, and from 1887 to 1916 was general attorney for the Mansfield Street Car Company, in which year the company sold its interests. Mr. McBride has been attorney for the Cleveland, Southwestern & Columbus Interurban Railway Company for about eighteen years.

Very active in democratic politics, in 1893 he was elected to the State Legislature, and was reelected in 1895, both times as a representative from Richland County. Mr. McBride is the author of Special Findings of Facts, now in force; of the law to give a party the right to call an opposite party as witness and cross examination, which is still a statute and is an unusual law, both of which measures he succeeded in having passed during his first term, and he also was the author of the law controlling the present manner of selecting juries. During his second term he was minority leader of the House. At one time he was a candidate for Congress, but was defeated at the primaries. Mr. McBride has always been a campaigner on state and local committees. In 1898 Governor Bushnell named him a member of the Ohio Centennial Celebration Committee for his congressional district. Mr. McBride's district is overwhelmingly republican, but in spite of that fact, he was appointed both times by Governor Bushnell, who frequently consulted with Mr. McBride while he was minority leader of the House with reference to contemplated legislation.

Mr. McBride has not confined himself exclusively to law and politics, for he is a close student of many subjects, and has become an authority on Thomas Jefferson, his lecture on that great statesman being a very popular one. He possesses a very fine library, numbering some 5,500 volumes of general literature, including many works on early American history. He has kept up his Latin and Greek, and devotes an hour each day to these subjects. Fraternally Mr. McBride is a Thirty-second Degree Mason and Shriner, and he also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias.

The first Mrs. McBride died in 1900, leaving two

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children: Ethel, who is the wife of Guy N. Ruggles, superintendent of the Inspiration Copper Company, of Inspiration, Arizona; and Mrs. W. J. Whitting, whose husband is a farmer of Fort Thomas, Arizona. On January 1, 1911, Mr. McBride married Mrs. Frances (Clark) English, a former friend while Mr. McBride was a student in the University of Wooster at Wooster, Ohio, and who was a widow living in Chicago at the time of her marriage. She has no children. Mrs. McBride has visited Europe several times. She speaks French and German fluently, is a fine scholar, and is very active in the Daughters of the American Revolution, and has been a delegate to the national conventions of that order. Both are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Mansfield, of which he is an elder, and he has been a delegate to the Ohio Synod. He is a teacher of the Men's Bible Class of 150 members, and has taught this class since 1906. Professionally Mr. McBride maintains membership with the Mansfield Bar Association, of which he is president; the Ohio State Bar Association, of which he was president, 1921-1922, and in January, 1922, addressed the convention at Akron, advocating the selection of expert witnesses be left with the judge, rather than with the attorneys. This address was widely published and attracted favorable editorial comment, was endorsed by the medical associations, and steps are now being taken to embody his ideas in legislation. He also belongs to the American Bar Association and has attended many of its meetings. In fact it would be difficult to mention any forward movement of the past thirty years or more in the county or state that has not received substantial assistance from this alert, scholarly attorney and good citizen, who wears his many honors modestly, and is satisfied with being able to render a service that is of real value to his fellow citizens.

Marvin W. Lutz. In insurance circles of Ashland and Richland counties few names are better known than that of Marvin W. Lutz. While he has been identified with the selling of insurance as a regular business for only about five years, in the capacity of district manager for these two counties of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, from his headquarters at Mansfield he has just about doubled the insurance in force.

Mr. Lutz was born in Stark County, Ohio, where he received a public school education. He was variously employed until the establishment of the rural free delivery system from the Canton Postoffice during the Spanish-American war, and at that time was made superintendent of carriers. After eleven and one-half years in the Canton Postoffice, Mr. Lutz entered the Isaac Harter & Sons Bank at Canton, where he remained four and one-half years. In 1907 he came to Mansfield as secretary of the Aultman & Taylor Manufacturing Company, a concern with which he remained in the same capacity for ten years, and then entered the insurance field, a line in which he had become greatly interested. He is now one of the most successful men in his line in this part of Ohio, and not only represents the Union Central Life Insurance Company, but the National Liberty Fire Insurance Company of America, with offices in the Dickson Building. During 1918, up to the signing of the armistice, Mr. Lutz was in charge of the seven counties included in the Mansfield district of the Cleveland division, investigating and tabulating for the United States Government the capacity of manufacturing plants and their ability to supply whatever demand should be made upon them in their special lines.

Mr. Lutz married Miss Magdalene King, of Buffalo, New York, and they have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Lutz are members of the Lutheran Church, and Mr. Lutz occupies a place on the official board.

Verlando Z. Miller, M. D. In the practice of his profession as a physician and surgeon, Doctor Miller has spent fully a quarter of a century in Montgomery County, and for some years was one of the busy practitioners of Dayton, but his work in now concentrated in a territory of which Brookville is the center, where he is regarded as a man of first rank in his chosen field.

Doctor Miller was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, May 27, 1861, oldest of the nine children, consisting of eight sons, of Benjamin and Mary (Ziegler) Miller. His father was born in Montgomery County, Sepetmber 17, 1838, and his mother, on March 4, 1840. The Zieglers have been in America for nearly two centuries, coming from Switzerland about 1733 and settling near Lancaster, Pennsylvania. A number of the Zieglers have been prominent in church and various scholarly professions. Doctor Miller's father spent many years as a farmer, and for twenty-five years before he retired was a merchant at Brookville.

Verlando Z. Miller attended public schools, including two years in the Randolph Township High School, and graduated from the Miami Normal School. The years 1884-86 he spent at Antioch College at Willow Springs, and in 1887 took his business course at Delaware, Ohio. Doctor Miller was for ten years a successful teacher in the public schools of Montgomery County, following that profession with few interruptions from 1883 to 1892. In 1893 he entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, graduated in 1896, and in the same year began the private practice of his profession at Brookville.

His experience has brought him unusual opportunities and he has developed special skill in several special branches of his profession. During 1903-04 he was a post-graduate student in Baltimore Medical College and Johns Hopkins University, and served six months as an interne in the Maryland General and Lying-In Hospital at Baltimore and for three months was resident physician to that hospital. He declined a position of assistant gynecologist. He was also chief physician to the gynecological department of the free dispensary of the Maryland Hospital.

In September, 1904, Doctor Miller returned to Ohio and opened an office at Dayton, where he practiced eleven years. Then, in 1916, he returned to Brookville, where he has applied himself with wonderful energy to keeping up with the demands of a practice extending over a wide territory. He maintains a private dispensary and office at his home on Market Street in Brookville. He is a member of the Montgomery County Medical Society and his interested himself in various organizations representative of the civic, business and social affairs of the community. He is a member of Libanus Lodge of Masons at Lewisburg and Brookville Lodge No. 235, Junior Order United American Mechanics. Doctor Miller has three children: Heber C., Herbert S. and Hallam B., all graduates of the Brookville High School.

George H. Lowrey, vice president of the Security Trust and Savings Bank and secretary of the retail merchants division of the Chamber of Commerce of Mansfield, has been identified with a number of leading enterprises of the city, all of which have benefited by his ability, good judgment and industry. He has also acted in a number of official and civic capacities, and has shown himself a citizen of the progressive, constructive type, possessed of the ability and willingness to assist his community.

Mr. Lowrey was born at Cuyahoga Falls, Summit County, Ohio, November 20, 1857, and is a son of Deming Norton and Eliza J. (Harrison) Lowrey,

natives of the same county. The grandfather of George H. Lowrey, Shubel Howe Lowrey, came in an ox-wagon from New Canaan, Connecticut, in 1809, and settled at Tallmadge, Summit County, where he conducted a blacksmith shop until 1837. In that year he removed to Cuyahoga Falls, where his death occurred in 1871. Deming Norton Lowrey was born at Tallmadge and was a child when taken by his parents to Cuyahoga Falls, where he established himself in business as a merchant. He continued to conduct his modest business until the Civil war, and in 1862 became captain of Company G, One Hundred Fifteenth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which he had assisted in organizing. At the battle of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, in October, 1864, Captain Lowrey and the greater part of his command were captured by the Confederate troops under General Forrest and were confined in Andersonville prison until exchanged in April, 1865. On his way home he was aboard the ill-fated "Sultana," which blew up on the Mississippi River, just above Memphis, April 23, 1865, and Captain Lowrey was one of those killed, he being but forty years of age at the time. His widow later married Minor H. Howe, and lived at Akron, Ohio, for a long period, dying there in January, 1922, aged eighty-seven years. Captain and Mrs. Lowrey were the parents of four sons and two daughters: Mrs. Helen E. Gray, of New York City; Homer J., who was a clerk in his father's company during the Civil war, and later was engaged in railroad work at Rock Island, Illinois, where he died in 1895; Ernest W., a graduate of Iowa State University, resided for a time at Larned, Kansas, and in 1888 became a resident of Denver, Colorado, in the development of which city he played an important part, and where he died four or five years ago; Fred Deming, who joined his brother, Homer J., in railroad work at Rock Island, later joining his brother Ernest W. at Larned, Kansas, where he established a bank, became well-to-do and died in 1920; and Hattie A., the wife of Fred S. Ozier, of Akron, Manager of the Howe Hotel, which was founded by him and George H. Lowrey in 1915.

George H. Lowrey accompanied his mother to Akron in 1866, and three years later went to Cleveland, where he attended the public schools. In 1873, at the time of his mother's second marriage, she removed to Mansfield, where Mr. Howe was a commercial salesman in the employ of the Bissman Company. In 1887 Mr. Howe returned to Cuyahoga Falls, and later went to Akron, where his death occurred. George H. Lowrey remained at Cleveland until 1875, having employment there as clerk in a shoe store. In the year mentioned he came to Mansfield, where he entered the employ of Keyser Brothers, shoe merchants, with whom he remained fifteen years, and in 1890 entered upon an independent career when, with W. W. Lemon, he opened the Lemon & Lowrey shoe store. He was identified with that business for sixteen years, but in 1906 disposed of his interests in that enterprise. In 1915, in company with F. S. Ozier, he built the Howe Hotel of eleven stories and 112 rooms, which is Akron's largest and finest hostelry.

Mr. Lowrey served for some years as a member of the City Council, of which he was president for four years, and at the time of the death of Mayor F. S. Marquis succeeded him in office and served two years, from 1914. During the World war he was chairman of the Home Service and Civilian Relief Committee, and still retains this post. Mr. Lowrey has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce since its organization, was its secretary for several years, and since January, 1920, has been secretary of the retail merchants division of the body. He belongs to the Masons and Elks, and has a number of social connections, in addition to which he is identified with several large and important business and financial enterprises of Mansfield, among them the Security Trust and Savings Bank, of which he is vice president. With his family he belongs to the Congregational Church.

When twenty-one years of age Mr. Lowrey was united in marriage to a Mansfield young woman, Catherine Hine, whose father conducted a retail meat market, and to this union there has been born one son, Harrison Deming, formerly a dental practitioner, but now connected with the Mansfield Tire and Rubber Company.

SAMUEL J. COLWELL. The career of Samuel J. Colwell, of Mansfield, has been one of success in several widely diverging lines of endeavor, indicating his possession of the valuable quality of versatility. After spending a long period in the hardware business, as a retail merchant, he turned his attention to the sale of life insurance, in which difficult field he has attained a distinctive prosperity.

Mr. Colwell was born at Lexington, Richland County, Ohio, September 10, 1859, a son of Samuel B. and Mary E. (McIntyre) Colwell. His grandfather was Samuel Colwell, a Revolutionary soldier, the only soldier of that war to be buried at Lexington. For some years he was a merchant at Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, and his old "Day Book," now in the possession of his grandson, shows entries as early as February 7, 1789. One of these interesting entries states that a certain minister is charged with "one pint of whiskey and one testament, 50 cents." On April 1, 1837, having made the journey by ox-team, Samuel Colwell arrived at Lexington, Ohio, where he erected one of the first grist mills in the county, on the present site of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Depot. He continued to operate that mill until his death. He was succeeded by his son, Samuel B. Colwell, who was born in Pennsylvania. He conducted the mill until 1860, but it was operated by others for some years thereafter. At the close of the Civil war he went to Independence, Missouri, where he remained for twelve years, or until the death of his wife, who was also a native of Pennsylvania, and who had been brought near Lexington as a child. Her remains were brought back to Ohio and interred here. Mr. Colwell survived her until June 25, 1879, passing away at the age of sixty-eight years.

Samuel J. Colwell attended the public schools at Independence, Missouri, and when still a young man returned to Mansfield, Ohio, from which point he traveled on the road as a salesman for various manufacturing concerns for a number of years. In 1896 he established himself in a retail hardware business, which he conducted with success until 1910. In the meantime he had become interested in life insurance, and in 1910 he disposed of his mercantile interests in order to devote all of his time to the selling of insurance as representative of the New York Life Insurance Company, his field being the city of Mansfield and the county of Richland, where he has built up a splendid clientele. Mr. Colwell has always been a republican in his political views, and is the present treasurer of the Republican County Executive Committee. He was the Harding-Coolidge campaign chief in Richland County, which went for the president by 1,575 plurality, although nominally a county which goes democratic by 1,800 majority. Mr. Colwell also had the distinction of opening President Harding's "front porch" campaign, taking with him several hundred auditors from Mansfield. As a fraternalist Mr. Colwell is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Shriner. He belongs to the Mansfield City Club, and his religious connection is with the Presbyterian Church.

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Mr. Colwell married Miss Fanny Beverstock Miller, of Lexington, Ohio, and to this union there have been born three sons: David Miller, secretary of the American Vitrified Products Company at Akron; Jud Allen, identified with the Houdaille Shock Absorber Company at Buffalo, New York; and Samuel R., who attended Wooster University at Wooster, Ohio, and is now associated as manager of the East Liverpool, Ohio, office of The American Vitrified Products Company.

James M. Dickson. The Dickson family has been prominently identified with Mansfield and Richland County for several generations. One of the pioneers of the county was a James Dickson, who with his father, William, settled at Plymouth in Richland County and cleared a farm. This farm became the property of Mrs. Kirkpatrick, a daughter of James Dickson, the pioneer.

The late James Dickson, son of William Dickson and grandson of the pioneer James Dickson, was a merchant and banker of Mansfield and built up one of the largest estates in the county. He began merchandising at Mansfield in 1848, and in 1852 established his business at the corner of Third and Main streets. In 1872 he started the Mansfield Banking Company, in the same building as his store, and this building is still known as the Dickson Building. The mercantile business developed in 1906 into the present Third Street Market, which is owned by Roy B. Dickson, a son of James Dickson. The market site in 1852 was purchased by James Dickson from Robert McCombs and wife, the latter being a sister of John Sherman.

James Dickson continued as president of the bank he established for twenty years, and continued as stockholder in its successor, the present Citizens Bank. He was in every way one of Mansfield's most successful men. He had great faith in Mansfield's future as a business center and in his investments he chose farm lands and town property. Having some idea of the city's expansion, he bought land which has since become a part of the city and is now being developed by his son. James Dickson never had any ambition for public office. He died in 1893, at the age of seventy, and his widow passed away in 1913, aged eighty-two.

The management of his estate is now in the hands of his son James M. Dickson, who is unmarried. He is a graduate of Yale University with the class of 1894, and is one of eight children, all but one surviving. Mr. Dickson has his business offices in the old Dickson Building, so long his father's bank and store. In recent years he has given much attention to developing the Woodland allotment of 400 acres, a part of his father's farm property, and he has made this a choice residential section. Mr. Dickson is contemplating the erection of a home in this location. Mr. Dickson is a director of the Farmers Savings & Trust Company of Mansfield.

Frank Cave is the secretary of the Central Ohio Bond & Mortgage Company in his native city of Mansfield, and in his executive functions is doing splendid service in the development of this corporation as one of importance in the financial activities of the old Buckeye State. The Central Ohio Bond & Mortgage Company was organized January 1, 1922, and is incorporated with a capital stock of $2,000,000. F. C. Small is president of the company, and Fred Bushnell is its treasurer, both of these officers being, like the secretary, natives of Mansfield, so that the company is distinctly a local corporation, though its operations transcend mere local limitations, its functions including the financing of real estate development enterprises and of well ordered building operations.

Mr. Cave was born at Mansfield on the 21st of July, 1891, and is a son of Harry E. Cave, who came to Mansfield from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, when a young man, and who was for more than a quarter of a century a leading representative of the haberdashery business at Mansfield, where his fine establishment catered to a large and appreciative patronage. He was a loyal and liberal citizen, and gave many years of effective service as a member of the Mansfield Board of Education. He was one of the substantial business men and honored and influential citizens of Mansfield at the time of his death, and here also occurred the death of his wife, whose maiden name was Clara Shunk, she having been born and reared in Knox County, Ohio, where her father Jeremiah Shunk, gave a long term of effective service as county auditor.

Frank Cave gained his early education in the public schools of Mansfield, and after having availed himself of the advantages of the high school he was employed for some time as a draftsman in the office of the city engineering department of Mansfield. When the nation became involved in the World war he enlisted in the Signal Corps of the United States Army, in which he won advancement to the rank of first lieutenant. He continued in service eighteen months, mainly at Baltimore, Maryland, and received his honorable discharge after the armistice had brought the war to a close. Mr. Cave takes most loyal interest in all that concerns the welfare and advancement of his native city, is one of its representative young business men, and is serving in 1923 as secretary of its Board of Health. He is active and influential in the local councils of the democratic party and is a member of its executive committee for Richland County. Mr. Cave wedded Miss Minnie Sickmiller, and they are popular figures in the representative social activities of their home city.

Rev. John Benjamin Rust, Ph. D., D. D., is one of the distinguished clergymen of the "Reformed Church in the United States." His home is in Tiffin, Seneca County, where for many years he has been an honored citizen. Through his service as a minister and as a man among men he has signally honored the profession of his choice, even as his father did before him.

Rev. Dr. Rust was born in the City of Cincinnati, September 5, 1856, eldest son of the late Rev. Herman Rust, D. D., and Elizabeth (Giesy) Rust. His father was born in the City of Bremen, Germany December 8, 1816, and his mother was born March 3, 1822, at Lancaster, Ohio, where their marriage was solemnized October 9, 1855. Rev. Herman Rust, D. D., received his early education in the schools of his native city, and as a youth formed the ambition and purpose to devote his life to Christian service, his father having been a communicant of the Lutheran and his mother of the Catholic Church. As a young man he went to Hamburg, Germany, with the purpose of preparing for foreign missionary service. Having failed of opportunities to engage in such work, in July, 1841, he arrived in the United States, being twenty-four years of age at the time. In advancing his education he attended Mercersburg College at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania. In his native city he had listened to sermons by some of the ablest preachers of that day, and the inspiration thus received continued its power in his later life of concentrated zeal and devotion. As a boy he became a member of the Reformed Church of his native city, and as a clergyman of that church in the United States first labored in Cincinnati under the auspices of the Board of Home Missions. From that city he was called by the Ohio Synod of his church to assume the chair of Church History and the History of Christian Doctrine at the Heidelberg Theological

Seminary at Tiffin. This chair he retained nearly forty years, from 1862 to 1902, and was one of the most scholarly and revered members of the faculty of this institution until within a short time prior to his death, which occurred on August 8, 1905. The death of his devoted wife, April 21, 1902, severed an idealic companionship of nearly half a century. Doctor Herman Rust organized and served as a pastor of a number of Reformed churches. Both as a man of simple and gracious personality and of ripe scholarship and earnest consecration to service he commanded the affectionate regard of all who came under his influence. Of his four children Doctor John B. is the oldest, the others being Mary C., Herman, Jr., and Eugene Calvin.

The preliminary education of Dr. John B. Rust was acquired in the public schools of Cincinnati and Tiffin. He was graduated from Heidelberg College as a member of the class of 1877, with the degree Bachelor of Arts. His Alma Mater later conferred upon him the degree Master of Arts, and finally, on June 13, 1912, the honorary degree Doctor of Divinity. In 1879 he was graduated from the Heidelberg Theological Seminary, and on June 9, 1880, was ordained to the ministry of the Reformed Church in the United States, in the service of which he has continued his earnest stewardship. His ordination took place in the Salem Reformed Church near Waynesburg, Ohio, where he served as pastor from 1879 to 1886. In the latter year he accepted the call to the First Reformed Church of Canton, here he remained until 1890. In November of that year he was called as pastor to the First Reformed Church at New Philadelphia in Tuscarawas County, a community in which he labored until March, 1898. From April, 1898, to December, 1899 he served the church at Bascom, Seneca County, and he still continues ministerial service in Hancock County as acting pastor of the Reformed Church in Findlay, which he has served more than fifteen years. Doctor Rust devoted six years to special courses of study in Wooster University, from which institute he received his Doctor of Philosophy degree July 15, 1897. During his ministry thus far he has helped to build two beautiful new churches, one in New Philadelphia and another in the town of McCutchenville, belonging to the Bascom charge.

As an author Doctor Rust has made many contributions to current and historical literature. He is author of "Modernism and the Reformation," published in 1914 by Fleming H. Revell Company, New York; in 1916 there appeared from his pen an appreciative biography of his honored father, entitled "The Life and Labors of Dr. Herman Rust." He is also the editor and compiler of a more recent work, entitled "Selected Theological Writings of Dr. Herman Rust," a memorial volume inscribed to the Central Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States located in Dayton, Ohio, (1924). He continued his researches as a student, and his intellectual outlook is also expanded by extensive travels in our own country. From his earliest youth Doctor Rust cultivated the art of music. While in college he played the organ in various churches, and is a pianist of considerable note. During the past seven years he has been instructor in the History of Music in the Heidelberg Conservatory of Music, Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio.

Doctor Rust has shown a fine conception of his stewardship as a man among men. He is a broad minded, liberal and progressive citizen unceasing in his efforts to aid and uplift his fellow men. His large and select private library is a veritable haven to him, and to it he finds daily recourse. Doctor Rust has never married, his attractive home on East Perry Street, Tiffin, being presided over by his only sister, Miss Mary. With all consistency, it can be said that Doctor Rust and his sister have a circle of friends limited only by that of their acquaintances.

JOHN DICKSON, who is engaged in the grocery business in the City of Mansfield, Richland County, with a well equipped establishment at the corner of Bowman Avenue and Spring Mill Street, has here been established in this line of enterprise for more than a quarter of a century, and in addition to being one of the loyal and progressive citizens of his native county he has the distinction of being a scion of one of its honored pioneer families. He has been a valued member of the Mansfield Board of Education for the past seven years, and is its vice president at the time of this writing, in 1923. Mr. Dickson is significantly appreciative of the maximum importance of the service given by the public schools, and as a member of the local Board of Education he has been a loyal supporter of advanced policies of most liberal order. He has been an enthusiastic supporter of the various branches and departments of the work of the public schools in his home city and in all measures making provision for the proper training of the young folk in the formative period of their character-building. He is one of the board of commissioners of Johns Park, named in honor of its donor, and providing the community playground of the North End section of Mansfield.

John Dickson, grandfather of the subject of this review, settled on Black Fork, north of Mansfield, in the year 1814, he having come to Ohio from the State of Pennsylvania, and having done well his part in the initial stages of civic and industrial development in Richland County, where he reclaimed his farm from the wilderness and whence he went forth as a loyal soldier in the Mexican war, his death having occurred within a few years after the close of this conflict—in the '50s. His son John J. passed his entire life in Richland County, carried forward effectively the farm industry of which his father had been a pioneer exponent, and also built up a substantial business in the buying and shipping of live stock, besides which he served two terms as County Sheriff in the '70s.

John Dickson, immediate subject of this review, was born on his father's farm in Weller Township, Richland County, March 7, 1862, and is a son of the late John J. Dickson, who passed the closing years of his life in this county. Mr. Dickson attended the schools of his native county until he was fifteen years of age, when he went to the West, where he remained twenty years, in Missouri, Kansas, Colorado and Texas. Since 1897 he has been engaged in the retail grocery business at Mansfield, and for the past twenty-one years has conducted business in his present location. He married Miss Sadie M. Kohler, likewise a native of Richland County, and their only child, Beatrice A., a graduate of Miami College, is a teacher of home economics in the public schools of Mansfield, where her success has been on a parity with her unqualified personal popularity.

FRED W. WOLFE, who gave careful and effective administration of the financial affairs of Richland County, needs no further evidence of his secure place in popular confidence and esteem in his native city and county than his having been called to the post of county treasurer.

Mr. Wolfe was born in the City of Mansfield, and was here reared to manhood, the while he profited fully by the advantages afforded in the public schools, including the high school. He is a son of Judge Norman M. Wolfe, long one of the representative members of the bar of Richland County, where he served with distinction on the bench of the Court of Common Pleas.

After leaving school Fred W. Wolfe took a position in the offices of the Mansfield Savings Bank, in which institution he continued his services twenty years and won advancement to an executive position of importance. He was the efficient incumbent of the office of county treasurer from September, 1919, to September 4, 1923. Mr. Wolfe was specially loyal and active in the furtherance of local patriotic movements and measures during the period of American participation in the World war, especially in the drives in support of the government war loans, War Savings Stamps, Red Cross work, etc. He is one of the active and progressive members of the Kiwanis Club and takes deep interest in all that touches the welfare and advancement of his native city and county. The maiden name of his wife was Mabel Odenbaugh, and they have three children: Janet, Margaret and Richard.

Abram E. Piper owns and conducts one of the leading grocery stores and meat markets of Mansfield, is president of the Board of Education of his home city, and is a scion, in the third generation, of one of the sterling pioneer families of Richland County. His paternal grandfather, William Piper, was born and reared in Pennsylvania, and from Lancaster County, that state, he came to Ohio in the early '30s and established himself upon a pioneer farm in Washington Township, Richland County, his homestead place being five and one half miles south of the present city of Mansfield, two miles east of Lexington, and in the vicinity of the old Sickinger Tavern, which was a prominent inn of the pioneer days, on the road to Sandusky. William Piper developed one of the excellent farms of this county, and remained on the old homestead until his death, at the age of seventy-five years. He was one of Richland County's substantial citizens and honored pioneers, influential in the community in which he lived, and while never a seeker of public office, he gave fully twenty-five years of effective service in the position of justice of the peace.

On the old homestead mentioned above, Hugh K. Piper, son of William and father of the subject of this review, was born April 12, 1840, and his entire life was passed in his native county. He became the owner of the old farm of his father, and continued its operation fully half a century, though for many years he also followed the trade of plasterer, in which he was a specially skillful workman. He attained to venerable age and maintained his home in the city of Mansfield during the last thirty-five years of his life, he having served as a member of the City Council and having commanded unqualified esteem in his native county. Mr. Piper died on the 13th of March, 1923, at the age of eighty-three years, his illness having been of brief duration. His brother, John, of Mount Gilead, and one sister, Mrs. Israel Fribley, are the only surviving members of his father's family. Mr. Piper was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was an earnest communicant of the First Lutheran Church of Mansfield, as is also his widow, whose maiden name was Hannah Eyerley and who likewise was born and reared in Richland County. The wedded companionship of Mr. and Mrs. Piper covered a period of fifty-four years, and the gracious ties were severed by his death, his widow being seventy-nine years of age at the time of this writing, in the spring of 1923. Three sons and one daughter likewise survive the honored husband and father, namely: Abram E., William, John and Mary, the only daughter being the wife of James Brooks. All are residents of Mansfield. Mr. Piper is survived also by twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Abram E. Piper was born on the ancestral homestead of which mention is made in preceding paragraphs, and the date of his nativity was October 13, 1869. He remained on the farm until he was eighteen years of age, and in the meanwhile had duly profited by the advantages of the public schools. As a young man he became identified with mercantile enterprise at Mansfield, and for fully a quarter of a century he has been independently engaged in business in the northern part of this city. In 1922 he completed the erection of the Piper Block, a modern two-story building at the corner of Bowman Avenue and Harker Street, and in this structure, which is 85 by 45 feet in lateral dimensions, he has his well equipped grocery store and meat market, his establishment catering to a large and appreciative supporting patronage. The upper floor of the building is divided into three residential apartments and an office, a drug store occupies the corner of the ground floor of the building, and in the basement under this store is a barber shop. Mr. Piper has assisted much in the development and upbuilding of this district of Mansfield, he having established himself in this north district of the city when it was still a rural section, with considerable timber land and with a brick-yard about the only evidence of business industry. He individually helped to clear land in this part of the city, and has here erected several houses and store buildings, so that he is to be credited with being one of the founders and developers of this now busy and attractive section of Mansfield. As a loyal citizen and progressive business man Mr. Piper has well upheld the prestige of a family name that has been long and worthily linked with the history of Richland County. He and his wife are zealous communicants of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, and of the same he has been a trustee continuously since the erection and dedication of the church building.

At the age of twenty-two years Mr. Piper wedded Miss Daisy B. Strater, she having been born and reared in the same neighborhood as was her husband and having been the only child of the late Frederick Strater, who died while she was still a child. In connection with the success that has attended his activities as a business man Mr. Piper ascribes to his wife a large measure of the credit, for she has continuously been his efficient assistant in the store and has been in the fullest sense a devoted companion and helpmeet. The children born of this union are: H. Earl, who married Viola Miller and they have one child, Kathleen; Barney F., who married Lucile Cole; and Joe W., who married Ruth Then; all are partners in the business founded by their father.

For the past sixteen years Mr. Piper has been a member of the Mansfield Board of Education, and of the same he has been the president since 1917. He has been one of the most loyal and enthusiastic supporters of progressive measures in connection with the school system of Mansfield, and since he has been a member of the Board of Education the Western Avenue Public School Building has been erected, and improvements and addition made to seven others of the school buildings of the city. He has been the staunch advocate of the highest possible standards in all departments of the school work and service, and did much to promote the issuing of city bonds in the amount of $1,000,000 for the erection and equipment of a new high school building, the same to be completed within the near future. In the entire sixteen years of his service as a member of the Board of Education Mr. Piper has missed only four of its meetings.

It has already been noted that Mr. Piper has a title to pioneer honors in connection with the development and upbuilding of the North End district of Mansfield. He has here lived for fully thirty-five years and when he came here most of the land was

still in timber. He had full confidence in the future of this part of the city, and has been liberal in influence and financial support in its development. He still owns several of the buildings which he here erected, and he aided in clearing the land that now constitutes Johns Park, the delightful recreation place of the North End. He is a democrat in politics, but has never sought or desired political office. It is a matter of gratification to him that political influences have not touched the public schools of Mansfield. He is a director of the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce, the Mansfield Savings Bank and of the Citizens Building & Loan Association.

JOHN H. BRISTOR, D. D. S., is a native son of the City of Mansfield, Richland County, where he is established in the successful practice of his profession, his father having been one of the leading dental practitioners in this city for forty years.

In the house which is still his place of abode, in the City of Mansfield, Dr. John H. Bristor was born on the 25th of April, 1874, a son of Dr. James Ruple Bristor, who was born at Washington, Pennsylvania, January 28, 1834, and whose death occurred at Mansfield, Ohio, June 29, 1900. Henry M. Bristor, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, likewise was born at Washington, Pennsylvania, and upon coming with his family to Ohio he established his residence at Steubenville, where he became a pioneer manufacturer of carriages and buggies, the remainder of his life having been passed in this state.

Dr. James R. Bristor was reared to manhood in Ohio, and as a youth he prepared himself thoroughly for the dental profession. In 1857 he engaged in practice at Newark, Licking County, where he remained until November, 1860, when he removed to Mansfield. In the latter city he continued in the practice of his profession until his death. He always kept in close touch with the advances made in both operative and mechanical dentistry. He was the first dentist in Mansfield to make a rubber plate of teeth. His older brother, Dr. Thomas G., had here engaged in the practice of dentistry in the year 1858, but he eventually removed to California, where he passed the closing years of his life. Dr. James R. Bristor was one of the honored and influential citizens of Mansfield, served eight years as a member of the City Council, was made chairman of the fire department committee and employed the first man of the paid fire department of the city, the service prior to that time having been of volunteer order. He did much to bring the fire department up to a high standard, and in all ways was a loyal supporter of movements and enterprises tending to advance the civic and material prosperity of his home city. In the early '90s he was for two years a member of the Board of Education. His political allegiance was given to the democratic party. He was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and was a charter member of the Mansfield organization of the Knights of Honor. He was an attendant of the Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow, who is a member of the same church and has been a resident of Mansfield for over half a century. Mrs. Bristor, whose maiden name was Hannah M. Duncan, was a resident of Millersburg, Holmes County, at the time of her marriage.

Dr. John H. Bristor gained his early education in the public schools of Mansfield, and after completing his high school course he entered the dental department of Ohio Medical University at Columbus, Ohio, now a part of the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1899 and with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. That he made a specially excellent record as an undergraduate is evident from the fact that he was selected to serve as assistant demonstrator in his senior year, he having been the first person to be appointed to this position at the School of Dentistry of the university. He has served both as president and corresponding secretary of the Richland-Ashland Counties Dental Society, and in the Ohio State Dental Society he is a member of Counsel on Mouth Hygiene and Public Instruction. In the practice of his profession Doctor Bristor has continuously maintained his headquarters in his native city, and, like his father before him, he has a large and representative professional business, based alike upon technical skill and personal popularity. He gave four years (1908-1911) of effective service as a member of the Mansfield Board of Education, and is serving his sixteenth year as clerk of the board. He is a past master of Mansfield Lodge No. 35, Free and Accepted Masons, and his local Masonic affiliations include also membership in Mansfield Chapter No. 28, Royal Arch Masons; Mansfield Council No. 94, Royal and Select Masters, and Mansfield Commandery No. 21, Knights Templar. He holds membership also in the Knights of Pythias, and he and his wife are active members of the Presbyterian Church, in the Sunday School of which he has been an official and a zealous worker for the past thirty years. Doctor Bristor married Miss Miss Mary V. Carr, and they have one daughter, Olive Louise.

CLETUS N. ALLERDING has been a resident of the City of Mansfield nearly a quarter of a century. Here he gained high reputation as a skilled mechanic, and here he is now successfully established in the manufacturing of automobile specialties and accessories, with steering wheels as the principal output of the well equipped and modern factory. In this important industrial enterprise Mr. Allerding figures as president and general manager of the Allerding Products Company, of which he was the principal promoter and the stock of which is all held by residents of Mansfield. The company was incorporated December 5, 1908, with a capital stock of $50,000, which in 1924 was increased to $100,000, and in its modern manufacturing plant employment is now given to a force of 200 operatives. The business is constantly expanding in scope and importance, and constitutes a valuable contribution to the industrial and commercial precedence of Mansfield. The manufacturing plant is equipped with the best of modern machinery, and each machine is operated by an individual electric motor.

Mr. Allerding was born at Loudonville, Ashland County, Ohio, and gained in the public schools of Mount Vernon, Ohio, his youthful education. His father, Peter Allerding, was born in Belgium, and was a lad of six years at the time when the family came to the United States and established a home at Loudonville, Ohio, where his father, Nicholas Allerding, a locksmith by trade, passed the remainder of his life. Peter Allerding has long held rank as an expert woodworker and millwright, and since the year 1880 he has maintained his home at Mount Vernon, Knox County, where he is now living virtually retired.

Cletus N. Allerding seemingly has inherited much of his father's mechanical ability, and he has had a wide and varied experience, through which he has developed his skill along this line. Nearly twenty-five years ago he came to Mansfield and found employment as patternmaker in the plant of the Ohio Brass Company, his ability soon leading to his promotion to the position of foreman. Later he had charge of the brass finishing department, and still later was made chief of the engineering department. He continued in the employ of this company until he accepted the office of superintendent of the Humphreys Manufacturing Company, with which represen-

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tative Mansfield concern he continued his alliance until he promoted and organized the company of which he is now the executive head and the success of which has been primarily due to his able management and progressive policies. Mr. Allerding is a valued member of the local Kiwanis Club, is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he and his wife are zealous communicants of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Mr. Allerding wedded Miss Mary Baker Jones of Mount Vernon, and they have an adopted son, Robert Nicholas Allerding.

N. O. Weamer is proprietor of the Southern Hotel of Mansfield, a house of public entertainment that has been justly celebrated and has served to make Mansfield a favorite way station in the journeys of commercial travelers and others.

Mr. Weamer is a native of Ohio, born close to the Indiana state line and near Union City, Indiana. When he first came to Mansfield he acted as steward in the Vanhof Hotel, and for the last ten years has had the active management of the Southern.

A former proprietor of the Southern was Colonel Andrews, a popular landlord, who was finally succeeded by his son-in-law, P. C. Berry. Upon the death of Mr. Berry his widow carried on the hotel until Mr. Weamer became proprietor.

For three generations the corner of South Park and South Main Street has been the site of a public house. Colonel Andrews rebuilt and enlarged until the structure reached its present dimensions. The Southern now has accommodations for 100 guests. For many years its dining room was celebrated for first class meals, and the hotel continued on the American plan at the request of its many regular customers until the march of events necessitated conversion to the European basis, a transition made in 1923.

Mr. Weamer is not only the youngest landlord of any high class hotel in Ohio, but is richly endowed with those personal traits so much appreciated by the traveling public. Guests have found the Southern a veritable home. Besides the Southern, he is also proprietor of the Central Hotel at Galion, A. L. Blakeley being the manager. The Southern hotel is now (1924) undergoing a complete rehabilitation, and additional fifty rooms are to be added. Mrs. Weamer was formerly Ruth Bissman, daughter of the well known wholesale grocer, William H. Bissman.

Edwin G. Slough, for nearly twenty years secretary of the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce, in that official capacity made the Chamber one of the livest organizations of its kind in Northern Ohio. Mr. Slough is an enthusiast, capable of inspiring others, and the business men who are members of the Chamber of Commerce give him much credit for the notable program of achievement that was carried out under the auspices of the Chamber in recent years.

A recent report of the Chamber of Commerce shows that since 1908, through the direct instrumentality of the Chamber, sixteen new institutions have been located in Mansfield and many others have come in incidentally, more than doubling the industrial activity of the city in a period of fifteen years.

The Shelby Daily Globe, published in the vital little City of Shelby, Richland County, is a newspaper that covers its field most effectively and in its functions has well justified the confidence of its founders in the action which they took in establishing it. From a modest inception the paper has been brought up to a high standard, its value is recognized, it receives a representative advertising patronage, and has developed a large and appreciative circulation. J. C. Stambaugh, publisher of the Shelby Daily Globe, is a native son of Shelby, and here his initial independent venture as a representative of the "art preservative of all arts" was made when he became associated with C. S. Moore in conducting a small jobprinting office. The two young men were ambitious and believing that here was offered a field for successful service in the establishing of a daily paper, the year 1900 recorded their debut as publishers of the Daily Globe, the first issue of which came forth from the press on the 24th of April of that year. The publishers used at the beginning the facilities of their job office, and at the inception the Globe was a little folio edition 8 by 12 inches in page dimensions. The entire working outfit and investment did not represent more than a few hundred dollars, but the paper met with favorable reception and its growth has been substantial and consecutive. The Globe specialized in the giving of community news in a clean and effective way, its general news department is comprehensive and well directed, and it is a vital force in furthering the interests of Shelby and the territory tributary thereto. The Shelby Daily Globe, with the best of modern letterpress and makeup, is now a six-column paper of eight pages, and its metropolitan appearance would make it a credit to a city of much larger population than Shelby. The Globe now goes forth to 2,200 regular subscribers, aside from its daily street sales and sales in local news stands, and the modern plant from which it is issued now represents an investment in excess of $50,000. In the establishment is retained an efficient corps of ten employes. The Globe is independent in politics, and its policy is one of progressiveness and loyalty in advancing the best interests of Shelby and Richland County and in supporting good men for local political and general public offices. Mr. Moore continued his association with the business until 1920 when he retired, and since that time Mr. Stambaugh has continued as publisher of the paper which he aided in founding and which he has made to justify its existence in the fullest sense. R. L. Casta has been the efficient editor of the Globe since its beginning in 1900.

John C. Stambaugh was born and reared at Shelby and here received the advantages of the public schools. His connection with the printer's trade ultimately led to his establishing the paper of which he is now the publisher. He wedded Miss Flo M. Horner, of Shelby, and they have a winsome little daughter, Jane. Mr. Stambaugh is a son of S. F. Stambaugh, who has been established in the real estate and insurance business at Shelby for fully half a century.

James H. Knapp. It has been the privilege of James H. Knapp, president of the Republic Banking Company, and a prominent farmer of Scipio Township, Seneca County, to realize many of his worthy ambitions and through the exercise of good judgment and business sagacity to wrest from his opportunities financial and general success. Although now past eighty years, when most men would be willing to retire on their laurels, his active brain and bodily energy keep him a participating factor in the life of the community, where he is widely known and highly respected.

Mr. Knapp was born July 12, 1842, in Putnam County, New York, and is a son of Gilbert and Cynthia (Chase) Knapp, and a grandson of Wright Knapp, also a native of New York State. Gilbert Knapp was born in Putnam County January 7, 1820, and was reared on a farm. He carried on farming, lime burning and brick making until 1848, when he came to Erie County, Ohio, and settled on a farm on which he spent the remaining years of his life, dying in 1894. He was a Quaker in his religious faith, and a repub-

lican in politics. Mrs. Knapp, who was born in New York June 6, 1820, was a member of the Baptist Church, in the faith of which she died in 1910. There were three sons in the family of this worthy couple: James H., John T. and Cyrus C., the two latter being deceased.

James H. Knapp was reared on farms in Putnam County, New York, and Erie County, Ohio, and secured his education in the district schools, this being supplemented by attendance at Eastman's Commercial College. On May 2, 1864, he enlisted in Company I, One Hundred and Forty-fifth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served until the close of the war. On his return from military service Mr. Knapp located in Erie County, where he worked on a farm for about five years, but in 1870 took up his permanent residence in Seneca County, where he is now the owner of a handsome property known as Rock Run Ranch, a tract of 335 acres which includes all the latest improvements and is highly productive. In 1906 Mr. Knapp assisted in the organization of the Republic Banking Company, of which he has since been the president, his associate officials being: R. D. Straub, vice president; William M. Baker, secretary-treasurer; E. B. Straub, cashier; and Ressie M. Robertson, assistant cashier. Mr. Knapp was a member of the Farmers Bureau and of the executive committee of the Farmers Insurance Commission in 1922-23. Fraternally he is a thirty-second degree Mason in the Valley of Toledo. Politically he supports the principles of the republican party, and despite the fact that Seneca County was heavily democratic at the time, was elected a member of the board of county commissioners for one term. Mr. Knapp is a broad minded man, thoroughly progressive, well posted on current events, and entertaining sensible opinions on questions of public interest.

On October 12, 1870, Mr. Knapp married Mrs. Joanna S. Crissel, of Seneca County, who was born in New York and educated in the public schools and the academy at Republic, and who at the time of her marriage was living on the old Crissel homestead in Seneca County. She died August 13, 1914, the mother of two sons, Daniel B. and Fred, both deceased. On April 22, 1915, Mr. Knapp married Mrs. Helen M. Heath, who was born in Scipio Township, Seneca County, August 31, 1846. She spent four years in New York, finishing her education. On December 1, 1869, she married the late Edward E. Heath, a tinner by trade, and for three years a Union soldier during the Civil war. They had no children.

Charles E. Morris, who is one of the leading representatives of the real estate business at Shelby, has made his influence extend far aside from his individual business operations, as is evident from the fact that he has served continuously since 1915 as mayor of his home city. This statement bears its own significance in indicating the admirable administration he has given as chief executive of the municipal government of Shelby, and also in defining his unqualified personal popularity in his native county.

Mr. Morris was born on a farm in Richland County, Ohio, October 26, 1869, and is a son of Gidion B. Morris, who was born in Beaver County, Pennsylvania, in 1845, and who was a child of two years at the time of the family removal to Ohio in 1847. His father, Benjamin Morris, became one of the substantial farmers of Richland County, where he passed the remainder of his life. Gidion B. Morris gave his active life to the basic industries of agriculture and stock-growing, was the owner of an excellent farm estate in Butler Township, Richland County, and was sixty-three years of age at the time of his death. His wife, whose maiden name was Eliza J. Ulrich, was born and reared in Richland County, a daughter of the late John Ulrich, who was a farmer in Weller Township. Mrs. Morris survived her husband several years.

Charles E. Morris early began to participate in the productive activities of the home farm, on which he remained until he was seventeen years old, his educational advantages in the meanwhile having been those of the public schools. On leaving the farm he went to the City of Mansfield, where he remained until 1895, associated with business affairs, and he was engaged in the retail grocery business at Shelby during the next nine years. Since 1904 he has here been established in the general real estate business, in which his operations have been of important order and involve the handling of both urban and farm properties. In 1915 Mr. Morris was elected mayor of the Village of Shelby, and he continued the incumbent of this office until the village received its city charter in 1922, when he became the first mayor of the new city, even as he had been the last mayor or president of the village. His administration has been ordered on careful business principles, his financial policy has been one of wise economy, and he has been a potent influence in ridding his home city of its burden of indebtedness, Shelby's exchequer now showing a substantial balance on the right side of its ledger. Shelby's popular mayor is found aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and he is a member of the county board of election supervisors.

Mr. Morris wedded Miss Lamintie Fickes, who likewise was born and reared in Richland County, and they have three daughters: Iva is the widow of George Noland and is now a member of the parental home circle; Martha is the wife of George W. Armstrong, of Chicago, Illinois; and Kathryn is (1923) a student in Wooster College.

The Citizens Bank Of Shelby is a Richland County, institution whose success and broad influence have fully justified the confidence and faith of its promoters and organizers, and its history has been one marked by consecutive advancement. The influence of this bank has been large in connection with the general civic and industrial progress of the fine little City of Shelby during the last thirty years.

The Citizens Bank of Shelby was organized in the year 1893, at a time when general financial depression was in evidence in all parts of the United States. The bank was incorporated on the 22d of May of that year, with a capital stock of $60,000, and the original executive corps was as here designated: W. W. Skiles, president; H. W. Hildebrant, vice president; D. V. Wherry, cashier; and Hugh G. Hildebrant, assistant cashier. In addition to the president and vice president the original directorate included also Herbert Mickey, Jacob Garnhart, Roger Heath, Edwin Mansfield and David Cummings. Of the early stage in the history of this institution the following statements have been written: "The growth of the bank at first was slow, for Shelby itself was just beginning to grow, the Tube Works having here been established three years previously. It took just seven years for the bank to double its business." In the passing years the growth of the Citizens Bank has been one of splendid order. Since 1910 operations have been based upon a capital stock of $100,000, and the total resources of the bank, at the time of this writing, in the spring of 1924, are $1,500,000, while deposits are fully $1,350,000—figures that bear their own significance. The modern and well equipped bank building as erected in 1911. Of the original board of directors only one is now living, Judge Edwin Mansfield. W. W. Skiles continued as president of the bank from its incorporation until his death, and he was representative of this district in the United States Congress at the time of his death.

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He was succeeded in the presidency by Roger Heath, whose successor was the late Hiram W. Hildebrant, to whom a memoir is dedicated in the following sketch. Mr. Hildebrant resigned his position as president of a few months prior to his death, which occurred in November, 1919, and he was succeeded by his son, Hugh G., the present incumbent. The bank has membership in the Federal Reserve Banking System, and its affairs are ordered along conservative lines. Hugh G. Hildebrant has been an executive officer of the bank from the time of its inception, and has been a resourceful factor in the development and upbuilding of its substantial business. In the office of cashier D. V. Wherry was succeeded by Hugh G. Hildebrant, whose successor was C. C. Bloomfield. Henry Wentz, secretary of the Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Company of Shelby, has likewise been prominent in ordering and directing the policies of the Citizens Bank, of which he continues a director, the other members of the directorate at the time of this writing being: Edwin Mansfield, L. A. Portner, E. W. Wiggins, I. Hollenbaugh, W. W. VanHorn, B. F. Long, R. C. Skiles, H. G. Hildebrant and C. C. Bloomfield.

Mr. Hildebrant on September 16, 1896, married Miss Nellie Barkdull, of Shelby, daughter of Luther W. Barkdull, one of the successful manufacturers and merchants of Shelby. His wife's maiden name was Margaretta Sutter, daughter of Samuel Sutter, one of the early pioneers and representative men of his time. Mr. and Mrs. Hildebrant have two children, E. Donald and Dorothy B.

Hiram W. Hildebrant was a man of whose character and achievement were moulded and governed by fine personal stewardship and high conceptions of individual responsibility as a citizen and man of affairs. He played a large part in the advancement of his home City of Shelby. He was an orphan boy when he came to this county and entered the home of one of his aunts, and his own ability and efforts were the medium through which he won substantial material success, the while he ever had secure place in the confidence and good will of his fellow men. He was one of the honored and influential citizens of Richland County at the time of his death, in 1919, and only a few months prior to his demise he resigned the office of president of the Citizens Bank of Shelby, of which his son, Hugh G., is now the chief executive, a specific record concerning this bank being given in the preceding sketch.

Mr. Hildebrant was born in the vicinity of Lockport, New York, and was an orphan lad of nine years when he came to the home of his aunt in Richland County, Ohio, as noted above. Here he profited fully from the advantages afforded in the common schools of the period, as is evidenced by his having given several years of successful service as a teacher in the schools of this locality. For a time he was a commercial salesman, but he soon turned his attention to the insurance business at Shelby. He became one of the foremost representatives of this line of enterprise in Richland County, and he was actively concerned in the organization of the Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Company of Shelby, of which he served as president some time. His appreciation of his home town was shown in civic liberality and progressiveness, and his influence and cooperation were given in support of measures and enterprises that contributed much to civic and material progress here. He was one of the organizers and original directors of the Citizens Bank of Shelby, and, as previously noted in this context, he retired from the presidency of this institution only a few months prior to his death, impaired health having led to this action on his part.

E. J. Merrill is distinctly one of the most loyal, liberal and progressive citizens and business men of his native City of Ironton, Lawrence County, where he is giving (1923) a most able administration as president of the Chamber of Commerce, and where he is president and general manager of the E. J. Merrill Drug Company, one of the important wholesale concerns of the Lawrence County metropolis.

Mr. Merrill is a scion of one of the honored pioneer families of Southern Ohio. He is a grandson of James M. and Lydia (Murphy) Merrill, and the former's father was the pioneer settler in Ohio, he having left his native State of New Hampshire and proceeded to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, whence, in 1819, he came down the Ohio River on the flat-boat which he had constructed for the purpose, and finally landed on the site of the present town of Wheelersburg, Scioto County. The maternal grandfather of the subject of this review was born and reared in Germany, and came to the United States about the year 1850, the remainder of his life having been passed in Ohio.

E. J. Merrill was born at Ironton, on the 23d of September, 1870, and is a son of the late William S. and Amelia L. Merrill, who passed their entire lives in Ohio, save that the father served as a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war. William S. Merrill was made captain of Company K, Second West Virginia Cavalry, his father having been a member of the same company. Captain Merrill continued in service during the entire period of the war, and took part in many engagements, including several major battles. In one engagement he was severely wounded and left for dead on the battlefield. Upon regaining consciousness he managed to crawl back to the Union lines, was placed in a hospital, and finally recovered and rejoined his command. At the time when he was wounded his father was retreating with the command, and in crossing a bridge the structure gave way and precipitated him to the stream below, with his horse on top of him, but he managed to extricate himself.

Capt. William S. Merrill was the first superintendent of the Ironton plant of the Kelley Nail & Iron Company, the plant itself having been built and equipped under his supervision and he having continued as superintendent until his death. No citizen of Ironton had more secure place in popular confidence and esteem that did Captain Merrill. He served two terms as county sheriff, 1868-72, and under the administration of President Harrison he held the position of doorkeeper of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress. He was influential in the affairs of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was a deacon in the First Congregational Church of Ironton.

E. J. Merrill was but fourteen years of age at the time of his graduation from the Ironton High School, and he still figures as the youngest person to have ever been thus graduated from this school. While still attending school, he found employment in a local drug store, and after completing his high-school course he became a clerk in the establishment of the Ball-Warfield Drug Company. Upon the death of Mr. Warfield, in November, 1901, Mr. Merrill assumed entire charge of the business of this company, and under his supervision the enterprise was developed to include also a wholesale department, he having in the meanwhile acquired an interest in the business. In April, 1921, he purchased the controlling interest and effected a reorganization, under the present corporate title of the E. J. Merrill Drug Company. The capital stock was increased from $60,000 to $200,000, and he has since continued president and general manager of this corporation, which controls a substantial wholesale and retail business. He has taken most vital interest in the work of the Ironton Chamber of Com-

merce, and is president of the organization at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1923. He is president also of the Ironton & Russell Bridge Company; is vice president of the Ironton City Building & Loan Company; is president of the Diamond Lumber Company; and is a director of each of the Citizens National Savings Bank, the Ironton Hotel Company and the local Rotary Club. Mr. Merrill is a staunch advocate of the principles of the republican party, and his civic loyalty was shown in a distinctive way during the period of his service as a member of the city council. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and with the Cincinnati Chapter of the Loyal Legion. He and his wife are members of the First Congregational Church of Ironton, and he is a member of its board of trustees.

In the period of our national participation in the World war Mr. Merrill lent himself to patriotic service, with characteristic energy and resourcefulness. He was chairman of the Lawrence County food administration, a member of the county fuel board, and as a four-minute speaker and a leader he played a large part in advancing the drives that caused Lawrence County to go "way over the top" and above its quota in subscriptions to the various government war loans, as well as in support of Red Cross service and other patriotic agencies.

At Hamilton, Ohio, on the 13th of June, 1894, Mr. Merrill wedded Miss Mary Elizabeth Savage, daughter of the late Charles E. Savage, of Maysville, Kentucky, he having been an engineer by vocation. The widowed mother of Mrs. Merrill now resides in the State of Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill have no children.

Roy I. Lewis. The year 1923 finds Professor Lewis rendering most effective pedagogic and executive administration as superintendent of the public schools of Shelby, which city ranks next to Mansfield in population and importance in Richland County. The splendid work which Professor Lewis has here done and is continuing to do is the more gratifying to note by reason of the fact that he is a native son of Richland County and a scion of one of its sterling pioneer families.

Roy I. Lewis was born on the parental homestead farm in Springfield Township, Richland County, and in this county likewise was born his father, John D., the year of whose nativity was 1846. John F. Lewis, grandfather of him whose name introduces this review, was born and reared in Richland County, where the family was founded in the early pioneer days, and he became a man of exceptionally broad intellectual ken, his higher education having been acquired largely through self-discipline and he having been one of the popular and successful early-day school teachers in his native county. He was a good Latin scholar, and his Latin books, as well as other volumes which he prized, are now in the possession of his grandson, R. I., of this sketch, who finds gratification in reverting to his study of Latin under the effective direction of his honored grandsire. John F. Lewis became well known through this section of Ohio as a successful salesman of agricultural implements, and he was one of the honored and well known citizens of his native county at the time of his death, which occurred when he was eighty-three years of age.

In the public schools of his native county R. I. Lewis continued his studies until he had completed the curriculum of the high school, and he then entered Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1912 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He has since done a large amount of well ordered post-graduate work, and in 1923 he received the degree of Master of Arts from Columbia University in New York City.

Professor Lewis was eighteen years of age when he initiated his career in the pedagogic profession, and for five years he was engaged in teaching in the public schools of Illinois,—principally in the position of superintendent of schools, from 1912 to 1917. In the latter year he returned to his native county and assumed the position of principal of the Shelby High School. Of this post he continued the incumbent four years, and he was then advanced to his present office, that of superintendent of the admirable public schools of Shelby. Professor Lewis is direct and practical in his policies and methods as touching educational work, and an enthusiast in his profession he shows his loyal stewardship in his careful and successful efforts to fit boys and girls properly to assume their parts in the world's work and service. The Shelby schools have been brought to a high standard. Its high school is accredited, so that its graduates are eligible for admission to higher institutions of learning in Ohio without formal examination. The school buildings and their equipment and facilities are excellent, and the service of the schools is of the best modern standard in all departments. The corps of teachers now aggregates more than forty, the enrollment in the high school is 350 students, and the average annual class graduated from high school numbers more than sixty. A general survey of the educational advantages of the city and county is more clearly a part of the historical section of this publication, so that details are not demanded in this personal sketch.

Professor Lewis married Miss Grace Au, who likewise was born and reared in Richland County, and they have one son, Gerald.

P. W. Frederick is proprietor of the Mansfield-Ohio Business College, the composite title indicating the consolidation of a school he founded here more than a quarter of a century ago, and another school, the Ohio Business College, one of the pioneer institutions of business education in the Middle West. Thousands have owed a debt to these institutions for some of the training which has made them successful in business and in personal life and character. The institution is a movement to the live men who gave the best of their lives in the interests of the school and its pupils.

The founder of the Ohio Business College was the late Joseph W. Sharp, who was born in York County, Pennsylvania, in 1838. His great-grandfather, James Sharp, came from Ireland to this country about 1753, locating on a farm in York County Pennsylvania. He and his descendants were affiliated with the Quaker Church or Society of Friends. His son John was born in York County in 1753, and toward the close of his long life moved to Ohio and died in Knox County. He was a surveyor and astronomer, and some of his mathematical ability undoubtedly descended to his grandson. His son, John, Jr., was born in 1801, and in 1840 moved with his family to a farm in what is now Morrow County, and he lived there until his death in 1865.

Joseph W. Sharp was two years of age when brought to Ohio. He was educated in the common schools, in Oberlin College, and subsequently took degrees in old Chicago University. He began as a teacher of business methods and science in 1866, when he established a business college at Delaware, Ohio. He conducted that school on a high plane for twenty years, graduating nearly 2,500 students. In 1884 he moved to Mansfield and opened the Ohio Business College, and continued its active head until he retired when venerable in years. He was an excellent and efficient teacher, thoroughly imbued with the import-

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ance of a business training, and few men did more in that line. He was an expert accountant, frequently employed by banks and other institutions for auditing.

Joseph W. Sharp was one of the pioneer Ohio leaders in the prohibition cause. He was a member of the editorial staff of the state prohibition organ, and was twice a candidate for lieutenant-governor on the prohibition ticket, and served for many years as chairman of the state executive committee. He was a personal friend of St. John Neal Dow and many other leading phohibitionists of that day. While of Quaker ancestry, he was a member of the Methodist Church. He married Elizabeth A. Kelley, and his only surviving child was W. Way Sharp.

In 1904, after the death of Professor Sharp, the Ohio Business College and the Mansfield Business College were consolidated as the Mansfield-Ohio Business College. In 1912 the institution was incorporated. Three years later P. W. Frederick became sole owner and then surrendered the charter and has since conducted it as a private institution. The college has accommodations for 100 students, and its facilities have been improved to meet the new and stringent demand of business for thoroughly trained workers. The college maintains an excellent faculty, and its graduates have made favorable accounts of themselves and of their school in all classes of business and in many states of the Union. It is said there is not a business house in Mansfield that has not had some one in its office force or management who attended the school, and there is a steady demand by local business and industries for the services of practically all those trained in the college.

P. W. Frederick was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, October 19, 1865. His grandfather, John C. Frederick, was a native of Germany, and coming to the United States as a young man settled in Coshocton County and was a pioneer. John G. Frederick, father of P. W. Frederick, married Amy Curran.

Mr. Frederick was educated in the schools of Coshocton, and attended some of the best business colleges of the day at Delaware and Columbus. He became a teacher in the Zanesville Business College, soon bought an interest, and remained there for two years. In September, 1897, he founded the Mansfield Business College, having for about a year been a teacher in Professor Sharp's Ohio Business College.

In June, 1895, Mr. Frederick married Miss May Lauck, of Zanesville. They had one son, J. Lowell, now deceased. Mr. Frederick is a Methodist. He has proved one of the valuable citizens of Mansfield, interested in its religious, educational and social affairs. He is a man of great earnestness, and his high ideals have had much to do with making the Mansfield-Ohio Business College one of the leading institutions of its kind. As a youth he was impressed with the value of education, and has regarded the teaching profession as the highest calling, worthy of his best efforts and all of his talents.

Robert McDonough has the distinction not only of having been mayor of his native town of Plymouth, Richland County, but also of being a representative of one of the old and honored pioneer families of this county. He was born at Plymouth on the 6th of October, 1858, and is a son of the late Robert McDonough, who was born in Virginia in the year 1812, the family, of Scotch lineage, having been founded in the Old Dominion state in the early Colonial period of our national history. Robert McDonough, Sr., was a boy at the time of the family removal from Virginia to Richland County, Ohio, about the year 1820, and his father, John McDonough, became one of the early settlers in the neighborhood of Plymouth, which was then known as Paris and which was a town of no insignificant importance in the pioneer days. Several of the main roads of travel in that period passed through the little Town of Paris, which had several taverns or inns for the entertainment of the traveling public, and which was a place of importance in connection with traffic on the old-time stage routes and overland freighting with teams and wagons. In that period Paris was one of the most vital towns in this section of the state. Robert McDonough, Sr., as a youth learned the trade of cabinetmaker at Mansfield, and at the age of twenty-one years he established his residence at Plymouth, or Paris, which was then at the height of its pioneer-day prosperity. The Village of Paris was founded in 1813, but its village charter under this name was not obtained until 1823, the present name of Plymouth having been adopted in 1838. For a few years Robert McDonough, Sr., here followed his trade of cabinetmaker, and in 1833 he here established himself in the general merchandise business, of which he continued a leading representative until his death, in 1873, besides which he was a prominent figure in local banking enterprises. He was three times married, the maiden name of his third wife, whom he wedded in 1854, having been Artemisia Drennan and she having passed her entire life at Plymouth, where she died in 1908, at the venerable age of eighty-two years. Of this union Robert McDonough, Jr., subject of this sketch, was born, and he is now the only survivor of his father's eight children, most of whom died from tuberculosis. John D., one of the sons, was known to have been in San Francisco at the time of the great earthquake and fire that devastated that city, and is supposed to have lost his life in that disaster, as none of the family have since had any news concerning him.

The former mayor of Plymouth is indebted to the public schools of this place for his early education, and while he is now virtually retired from active business he made a record of eleven years of effective service as a traveling commercial salesman. He has been actively concerned in the ordering of the municipal government of Plymouth for the past thirteen years as a member of the city council and as mayor, in which latter office he served three terms. He has been the advocate of progressive movements in municipal affairs, and has strongly supported the street paving work and other public improvements. In his native county his circle of friends is limited only by that of his acquaintances, and he is distinctly one of the popular and influential citizens of his native place.

Mr. McDonough chose as his wife one of the fair daughters of this town, Miss Belle Hoffman, who was here born and reared and who is a daughter of the late George W. Hoffman, who was here engaged in the jewelry business for many years and who also served as postmaster. Mr. and Mrs. McDonough have two sons, George R., who is manager of a men's furnishing-goods store in the City of San Francisco, California; and S. C., who is an automobile sales-manager of the Jordan Motor Company in the City of Cleveland, Ohio.

Eugene P. Willis. Though his home the greater part of his life has been in Lawrence County, Eugene P. Willis is well known both in Ohio and West Virginia. For many years he was active in railroad service, and has also held local and state offices.

Mr. Willis was born at South Point, Lawrence County, Ohio, January 18, 1879, son of John Wesley and Eva (Boothe) Willis. He represents an old and prominent ancestral line. There were two brothers in one branch of the Willis family in New England, and one of them, the ancestor of Mr. Willis, moved to

Virginia. From this branch of the family is also descended United States Senator Frank B. Willis, and the senator and the father of Eugene P. Willis were close friends. One of his ancestors, his great-grandfather, Joshua Willis, was a pioneer of Southern Ohio, and when 104 years of age walked the distance of fourteen miles to Ironton. The paternal grandparents of Mr. Willis were Elza and Elizabeth (Ward) Willis. His grandparents on his mother's side were Isaac and Martha (Whitehead) Boothe. The Boothes went from Pennsylvania to Virginia and from the latter state came to Ohio. John Wesley Willis, who died June 2, 1920, was a soldier in the Civil war, in Company H of the Ninth West Virginia infantry. He went into the army very young, and was a drum corps fifer. For many years he engaged in school teaching, later became a farmer and for twenty years held the office of postmaster of Rockwood, now Chesapeake, Ohio, though he would never accept any other political office. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife is still living, and Eugene P. is the oldest of their seven children, the others being: Olney Carl, deceased; Edith Alice who married L. H. Kelley; Edgar Hayes, deceased; Bertha Ruth, deceased; John Tracey and Lloyd Russell.

Eugene P. Willis attended public schools at Rockwood, now known as Chesapeake, including the high school, and for three years engaged in teaching. He finished his education in Ohio University at Athens, but did not remain to graduate. Taking up railroading, he was for two years in the train service with the Kanawha & Michigan Railroad, and then became associated with his uncle S. W. Boothe, in the mercantile business at Ironton, Ohio. After two years there he resumed railroading as chief clerk in the transportation department with the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company at Hinton, West Virginia, and continued so for six years. In 1913 Mr. Willis was appointed to a position in the auditing department in the office of the state tax commissioner of West Virginia at Charleston, and was in that office for eight years. After his father's death, in 1920, he returned to Ohio and engaged in business as a general merchant at Chesapeake in Lawrence County, where he is conducting a profitable business.

Mr. Willis, who is unmarried, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic order, being master of the first veil in the Royal Arch Chapter, is a Knight Templar and member of the Scottish Rite Consistory, the Mystic Shrine, the Grotto and Eastern Star. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias, Uniformed Rank, a life member of the Elks, and is affiliated with the Knights of the Golden Eagle, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Junior Order United American Mechanics, and Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

JOE C. HARTLINE is the active executive of the office and business of The City Loan & Savings Company in the City of Mansfield, Richland County. This important corporation, which exercises most benignant functions in connection with civic and financial affairs, maintains offices and has substantial business in about twenty different Ohio cities, with home office in Lima, Ohio. The Mansfield branch has proved of distinct value to the community. The corporation bases its operations upon ample capital and effective executive control, and its reputation constitutes its best business asset. The Mansfield headquarters, in charge of Mr. Hartline, are in the Southern Hotel Building, on South Main Street, and the concern constitutes a valuable addition to the financial institutions of this city.

Mr. Hartline was born in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, where his great-grandfather, Peter Hartline, settled in the early pioneer days, and his son Joseph, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, carried forward effectively the farm enterprise which had there been instituted by his father. Frank Hartline, father of Joe C., has long been a successful breeder and exhibitor of fine red polled cattle, is a charter member of the International Live Stock Show at Chicago, and served (1923) as mayor of Strasburg, Tuscarawas County.

Joe C. Hartline was reared and educated in his native county, and at the age of twenty-one years found employment in connection with coal-mining operations. For a time thereafter he was engaged in mercantile business at Strasburg, and later he became a successful automobile dealer at Lima, where he was specially prominent in advocating and supporting the good roads movement. He is an active worker in the ranks of the republican party, is a valued member of the Optimist Club of Mansfield, a director of the Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the United Commercial Travelers. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He has had charge of the business of the City Loan & Savings Company at Mansfield from the time this branch was established, and he is one of the substantial and progressive business men of this city.

Mr. Hartline married, first, Miss Aurelia Blaser, of Winesburg, Ohio, who died leaving two children, Hazel Marguerite and Aurelia Loretta. He married for his second wife, Miss Flora Emma Styer, of Marietta, Ohio, she being a representative of one of the honored pioneer families of that section of the state. To this union two children were born, Bernice Naomi and Evelyn Gertrude.

W. A. WEHINGER is a member of the firm Wehinger Brothers, brick and tile manufacturers, doing an extensive business with several plants in Northern Ohio. The firm were pioneers in the utilization of the clay products of Richland County on a commercial scale. W. A. Wehinger is active manager of the large plant near Mansfield. The firm began their operations in Auglaize County in 1900, and in 1901 established the plant at Mansfield.

The Mansfield plant started with twelve workmen and an output of 10,000 bricks a day. The output is now regularly 40,000 bricks a day, with thirty-seven employes and a payroll of between $900 and $1,000 per week. The plant is located on a sixty-two acre tract three miles north of Mansfield, with ample railroad trackage. This acreage is underlaid with shale that produces a very high grade brick adapted to hard usuage, but most of the output is faced brick. The Wehinger Brothers have installed a most modern outfit, with steam power and all the facilities for efficient production. Three-fourths of the output is faced brick, and it is shipped to Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Virginia, and a large part to the local trade. Recently the company filled a single order of 2,000,000 bricks for Detroit. The business started with $50,000 invested, and now $225,000 are required to carry on the business.

W. A. Wehinger and his brother, F. J. Wehinger, both grew up in the atmosphere of a brick making plant in Auglaize County. They are sons of Anton and Alalonia (Lenhart) Wehinger. The father, a native of Germany, was brought to Ohio, when eight years of age. He spent his active career as a brick maker and is now living in Putnam County. W. A. and F. J. Wehinger and their brother, A. H. Wehinger, own a plant in Putnam County, the chief production of which is drain tile.

W. A. Wehinger married Antonette Craft, of Auglaize County. They have six children: Orville, Bernice, Floyd, Willette, Martha and Agnes.

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William W. Knecht represents an old family of Crawford County, and is a carpenter by trade, an occupation which was followed both by his father and grandfather. For a number of years Mr. Knecht has been one of the leading general contractors at Bucyrus.

He was born on a farm in Crawford County, June 1, 1879, son of John and Mary (Youngman) Knecht, the former a native of Crawford County and the latter of Pickaway County. His grandfather, Frederick Knecht, was a native of Germany, came to the United States when young, and for many years lived in Crawford County, where he was a carpenter and cabinet maker. John Knecht learned the same trade, and was in business both as a carpenter and contractor in Bucyrus. He was a democrat in politics. Of his five children only two are now living, the daughter Anna being the wife of L. A. Miller of Bucyrus.

William W. Knecht grew up in Bucyrus, attended public school there, and after completing his education he worked at several different occupations but eventually served his apprenticeship as a carpenter, and during the past fifteen years has been head of an organization capable of handling the largest contracts in the way of building and other construction.

January 1, 1900, Mr. Knecht married Miss Ada Zimmerman, who was reared in Bucyrus. Their one daughter is Ruth, born February 28, 1901, a graduate of the Bucyrus High School and who also spent two years in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. She is now the wife of Robert Heil, a teacher in the Junior High School. Mr. and Mrs. Knecht are members of the German Lutheran Church. He is affiliated with Bucyrus Lodge of Masons and Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

Lt.-Col. Abraham Henry Dunn, M. D. With pronounced abilities in the field of surgery, Colonel Dunn was an army surgeon in the great war, attached to the British army and later had charge of an American hospital, and since returning to this country while chiefly a consultation surgeon, has continued his duties with the government through the United States Veterans' Bureau and holds a reserve commission as lieutenant-colonel with the army. He has been unusually successful in handling both the technical and administrative problems connected with rehabilitation of disabled soldiers at Chillicothe, where he was in charge of the hospital at Camp Sherman until July, 1924.

Doctor Dunn was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 14, 1883, son of Belmont and Anna (Brill) Dunn. His mother lives at West Philadelphia. Belmont Dunn, who died in 1897, was a physician at West Philadelphia,. and was long interested in the public health movement, serving on the Pennsylvania State Board of Health. He was an Elk and a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. There were three children, one daughter dying in infancy. The son, David, was the second child, and Abraham Henry, the oldest.

Doctor Dunn attended public schools in Philadelphia, leaving high school in his third year to take the work of the preparatory school of Brown's College, in medicine. He graduated in 1906 in medicine and surgery from the Medico-Chirurgic School of Philadelphia, now the Post Graduate School of the University of Pennsylvania, and for two years after his interneship was engaged in general practice. For three and one-half years, beginning with his appointment in 1909, he was a government surgeon with the department of the interior. For another three and one-half year period he was in California associated with the eminent American surgeon, Dr. Henry Parker Newman. After this he sustained an injury of his left hand, compelling him to utilize his time in post graduate work in surgery without active practice.

Doctor Dunn established his home in Chillicothe in 1916, and was engaged in private practice, limiting his attention to surgery until he enlisted for the war. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps August 11, 1917, and, going to Washington D. C., sailed for overseas on September 7, landing in England and was assigned to duty with British army hospitals at Birmingham until January, 1918. He then accompanied a general hospital contingent of the British forces to France and had an interesting service. Then he was assigned with Kitchner's Division (Thirty-seventh Division British Expeditionary Forces). While with the British he was sent to Egypt on a six weeks' trip on detached service in February, 1918. In August, 1918, he was returned to the American Army Medical Corps, and at Coure Cheverney, France, organized American Hospital No. 87, with 600 beds. He had charge of this hospital, which was located between St. Agnon and Blois, at the same time doing the major surgery. On September 7, 1918, he was promoted to captain, in the spring of 1919, before leaving France, was advanced to the rank of major in the Medical Corps, and after the war, he was given the rank of lieutenant-colonel in the Medical Officers Reserve Corps.

On his return to the United States he resumed his surgical practice and was made surgeon at Camp Sherman. He was the first medical officer in charge of the organization and equipment of the new hospital in course of construction at Camp Sherman, which will have provisions for 425 beds. Doctor Dunn has applied his talents with unceasing energy to the arduous and responsible work of a medical officer in charge of disabled veterans. In October, 1921, he organized the medical work of the United States Vocational School No. 1, and Hospital 87 at the same location, heading both and doing the surgery. He was cited for promotion to the rank of lieutenant-colonel in the Army Medical Corps before sailing from France.

July 18, 1906, at Philadelphia, Doctor Dunn married Miss Fannie Carlin, daughter of Arthur and Orinnie Carlin. Her father is a merchant, a stove wholesaler and has an interest in a truck manufacturing concern. Doctor Dunn is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, plays golf at the Chillicothe Country Club, is a Scottish Rite Mason and Elk, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. In his profession he is a member of the Ross County Academy of Medicine, Ohio State and American Medical associations and Columbus Academy of Medicine. He has written on numerous surgical subjects, some of the most notable ones being: "Gall Bladder Disturbances," "Appendicitis" and "Post-War Rehabilitation Surgery."

William M. Jefferys is one of the prominent iron masters of Southern Ohio in the Hanging Rock iron region, where he has been actively identified with one of the oldest blast furnaces in that section, the plant of the Hanging Rock Iron Company at the village of Hanging Rock. He is superintendent of this plant. The furnace was started in the early days of iron making in Ohio. In 1900 the present company purchased the property from the Means-Kyle Company, and it was in July, 1901, that Mr. Jefferys came to the plant as its superintendent.

He was born at Grafton, West Virginia, November 27, 1868, son of Phillip and Margaret (Brookover) Jefferys and grandson of Thomas and Elizabeth Jefferys and of Abraham and Anna Jane Brookover. The Jefferys came from England and settled in Vir-

ginia, coming with two of the Brookovers. Phillip Jefferys and his wife were both born in the State of West Virginia, and he died in 1878 and his wife, in 1888. He was in the railroad business, and for many years a railroad superintendent. He was also interested in prohibition and was a deacon of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The family consisted of six children: Emily, deceased, Carrie, Oscar, Lucy, William M. and Claude, all of whom are married.

William M. Jefferys acquired his early education in the public schools at Fairmont, West Virginia. Leaving high school after finishing the course at the age of sixteen, he went to work in a flour mill at Martinsville, West Virginia, and remained with that industry seven years. Leaving there, he came to Ohio and for one year worked in the Dayton Car Works at Dayton. He learned the blast furnace and iron business with the Tonawanda Iron and Steel Company at Tonawanda, New York. He became engineer and assistant superintendent of the plant, and was identified with that industry in an executive capacity for fourteen years. It was on leaving Tonawanda that Mr. Jefferys came to Hanging Rock as superintendent of the local iron company in 1901.

He has interested himself in local affairs, being a member of the Rotary Club, the Masonic Lodge and Elks.

In September, 1906, at Ironton, he married Miss Florence Hudson, daughter of James and Mary Hudson. Her father was during his lifetime a man of great influence at Hanging Rock, was interested in politics, and for many years served as mayor of the village. He and his family were prominent members of St. Lawrence Catholic Church at Ironton. There were eight children in the Hudson family, Arthur P., Elizabeth, Eleanor, Florence, Anna, Richard, Thomas and James, but the last named died in infancy.

Walter William Bauer is a native of Scioto County, and as a young man he was identified with school work for several years, and has made a particularly successful record as a contractor, builder and real estate man at Portsmouth.

He was born at South Webster, Scioto County, January 7, 1885, son of Adam and Mary A. (Haverner) Bauer. His grandfather was Henry Bauer, who came to Ohio when Adam was eighteen months old. Gilbert Haverner, the maternal grandfather, was a native of Germany and married a Miss Lamb. Adam and Mary Bauer are still living in Scioto County. Adam Bauer has been a farmer and stock raiser, and has devoted his active attention to his business, his home and his membership in the United Brethren Church.

Walter William Bauer, who is unmarried, was reared on his father's farm at South Webster, attended district schools there, and subsequently was a student for two terms in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and spent one term and two summers attending Ohio University at Athens. After the completion of his first term at Athens he began teaching, and for four years he had charge of district schools in his home county and for three years was a teacher in the grade schools at Portsmouth.

Mr. Bauer engaged in the building business in 1912. He did a great deal of contracting at Portsmouth and over the county, and in 1917 he broadened his sphere of efforts to real estate and insurance. He has since continued the building of homes as part of his real estate program, and his business is now mainly real estate, in which he is rated as one of the leaders in Portsmouth.

Mr. Bauer was registered during the World war, but his class was not called to active duty. He is one of the trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church and a leader in church work. Fraternally he is an Elk, and is a republican voter.

Louis P. Cranston. In the progress and development that has marked sanitary science in the past twenty years in relation to food products, great and salutary changes have been brought about in the production and handling of milk, that greatest of all health builders, one that is a necessity as well as an indispensable luxury. It is not necessary to recall the old days of ignorant carelessness whereby this life giving fluid was more often a menace than benefit The proper handling of milk, however, was a problem about which many intelligent, progressive farmers and stockmen in Ohio concerned themselves long before legislative action placed the present sanitary laws on the statute books. Perhaps no one man in Scioto County had clearer vision on the subject or had more to do with arousing public sentiment than the late James J. Cranston, who was one of the organizers and subsequently sole owner of the Pure Milk Company at Portsmouth, which is one of the most important enterprises of its kind in Southern Ohio. It is under the able management of Louis P. Cranston, one of Portsmouth's substantial men of affairs.

Louis P. Cranston was born at Wheelersburg, Scioto County, Ohio, November 4, 1885, the only son of James J. and Addie M. (Merrill) Cranston, both natives of Ohio. His paternal grandparents were Jeremiah and Abigail (Deutramont) Cranston, natives of New York, and undoubtedly of English and French ancestry. It is a matter of family history that the first Cranstons who reached Ohio from New York came down the river on a raft, sturdy, resourceful people whose virtues and characteristics have been inherited. The maternal grandparents of Mr. Cranston were John P. and Julia (Moore) Merrill, substantial farming people long well and favorably known in Scioto County.

James J. Cranston was a man of progressive spirit and business enterprise. For a number of years he owned and operated a woolen mill at Wheelersburg, Ohio, and after disposing of that property engaged in agricultural pursuits in Scioto County. As indicated above, he was an intelligent, well-informed man, and his judgment on many questions was respected throughout the county. In 1904, in association with two others, William Fuhs and John Miller, he organized the Pure Milk Company of Portsmouth, an enterprise that was destined to long outlive him and continue to reflect credit on his business judgment and public spirit. Shortly after the organization of the company Mr. Cranston purchased the Fuhs interest, and the Miller interest was bought by a Mr. Bardin, from whom Mr. Cranston subsequently acquired it, and as sole owner continued to conduct and develop the business until the time of his death in 1915. His widow, Mrs. Addie M. (Merrill) Cranston then became the sole owner of the business, and so continues.

Louis P. Cranston was educated in the public schools of Wheelersburg, Ohio, where he completed his high school course in 1902. He returned then to the home farm, and two years later, on the organization of the Pure Milk Company, became his father's assistant and thus may be said to have practically grown up in the business, with which he has been identified ever since. Upon the death of his father he became manager of the business for his mother, and not only because of his thorough familiarity with every detail but mainly because he possesses energy and initiative of his own, he has met with notable success. The Pure Milk Company of Portsmouth and its pure products have an established reputation in Southern Ohio. Mrs. Cranston's plant at Portsmouth

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is thoroughly modern, and all the equipments are of the latest improved style. The business is continued according to the old standards of excellence in product and honesty in management that were as foundation stones in the beginning.

Although not notably active in a political sense, Mr. Cranston shirks no public responsibility and is a highly useful citizen. He is an active member of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Kiwanis Club. During the World war he did not serve in the military only because his class, although ready, was not called. He is a Knight Templar Mason and a Shriner, and belongs also to the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Cranston is not married, his home being with his mother at Portsmouth, where both have many social connections.

HOMER M. EDWARDS has been established in the practice of his profession in his native City of Ironton, Lawrence County, since 1911, and has a record that places him well to the front among the representative members of the bar in this part of Ohio.

Mr. Edwards was born at Ironton on the 1st of July, 1884, and on both paternal and maternal sides he is a scion of sterling pioneer stock in the Buckeye State, the original representatives of the Edwards family in this state having come from North Carolina about the year 1820. The paternal grandparents of the subject of this review were William and Jane (Arthur) Edwards. William Edwards was killed while the Civil war was in progress, he having met a tragic death shortly after the beginning of the war. He was an ardent supporter of the Union cause during the war, and was virtually assassinated by a southern sympathizer whose enmity he had incurred, this man having thrown a rock which struck Mr. Edwards in the back of his head, which was crushed, his death occurring a few hours later. James Allen, maternal great-grandfather of him whose name initiates this review, was born in 1768, and was an honored pioneer citizen of Ohio at the time of his death, in 1839. He came to Ohio from Virginia about the year 1817. William and Lucretia Allen, maternal grandparents of Homer M. Edwards, continued their residence in Southern Ohio until the time of their death.

Homer M. Edwards is a son of Meredith and Sarah Elizabeth (Allen) Edwards, the latter being deceased and the former still a resident of Lawrence County. Meredith Edwards was born at South Point, this county, June 10, 1852, and his activities in former years included successful farm industry and the ownership and operation of two coal mines. He has figured as one of the honored and influential citizens of his native county, gave more than twenty years of service as a member of the school board, and has served in other local offices of public trust, including two years as superintendent of the county infirmary.

Homer M. Edwards was graduated from the high school at Coal Grove, Lawrence County, in 1900, and thereafter he devoted ten years to specially effective service as a teacher in the public schools. He was for some time the principal of the Ironton schools, and for three terms he was a member of the Lawrence County Board of School Examiners. He was private secretary to Senator Willis two years, while the senator was governor of Ohio. In 1908 Mr. Edwards was graduated from the University of Lebanon, Ohio, with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy, and thereafter he completed the curriculum of the law department of Ohio Northern University at Ada, in which he was graduated in 1911, his admission to the Ohio bar having been virtually coincident with his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In 1911 he opened an office at Ironton, and this city has since continued the central stage of his successful professional activities, which have involved his appearance in important cases in the various courts and established his reputation as a resourceful trial lawyer and well fortified counselor. In the World war period he served on the draft board of Lawrence County, and was a four-minute speaker in furthering the local patriotic campaigns in support of the government loans, Red Cross work, etc. Simultaneously he was striving to enter military service, and finally, August 22, 1918, he succeeded in this laudable ambition. He was sent to Camp Taylor, Kentucky, for training, but there suffered an attack of influenza, from which he had not yet recovered at the time when the armistice brought the war to a close. He received his honorable discharge November 30, 1918, and then resumed the active practice of his profession at Ironton. Since the close of the war he has given two years of effective service as prosecuting attorney of Lawrence County. Since his retirement from this office he has given his undivided attention to his substantial and important individual law business. His political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a Knight Templar and Shrine Mason, is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and at present Grand Chief of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of the State of Ohio. He is an active member of the Ironton Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife hold membership in the Baptist Church.

At Ashland, Kentucky, on the 28th of May, 1914, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Edwards and Miss Pansy B. Winter, who was born and reared in this state, as were also her parents, Lawton B. and Mary (Freeman) Winter. The mother still resides here, Mr. Winter being deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards have one son, Homer M., Jr.

JOHN T. CALLAHAN represents a family that settled in Jackson County, Ohio, in very early pioneer times. Mr. Callahan for thirty-five years was in the monumental business at Gallipolis, and the product of his plant he shipped over Southern Ohio and into several adjoining states.

He was born on a farm in Jackson County, Ohio, in 1854, son of William J. and Sarah (Strain) Callahan. His father spent all his life on the farm where he was born. His grandfather, John Callahan, with his parents came to Ohio in 1803 from Bath County, Virginia.

His great-grandfather was of Protestant faith and came from Ireland to America about 1792. William J. Callahan was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, serving on the official board and as a steward. He and his wife have a large family of children: Jennie, Mrs. Susan Hayes; America, deceased; Mrs. Elizabeth Stephenson, deceased; John T; Julia; Peters; Mrs. Sarah Iron, deceased; Emma, deceased; William S; and Oscar P; who lost his life in an automobile accident at Columbus in 1922.

John T. Callahan was reared on a farm, attended district schools, and after leaving school until he was about thirty years of age his experience was that of a farmer. He was then in Indiana, and for a time was engaged in the tile business. About 1889 he took up the monumental and cut stone industry, and specialized in the manufacture, sale and distribution of tombstones and the erection of mausoleums. It is probable that his business was the largest of its kind in Southern Ohio. His sales covered the entire state, and he also shipped work to Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Indiana. In March, 1924, he sold the business and retired to private life.

Mr. Callahan married Miss Minnie Evans, daughter of Evan and Sarah (Cherrington) Evans, both of

Welsh ancestry, and prominently known in Jackson County, Ohio. Her father was a very active member of the Methodist Church. Mr. Callahan has been president of the official board of Grace Methodist Church of Gallipolis for the past fifteen years. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and the United Commercial Travelers. Politically Mr. Callahan is a democrat and is now serving as chairman of the county central committee.

PATRICK JOHN CARROLL. One of Ohio's ablest figures in industrial affairs was the late Patrick John Carroll, of Bucyrus, who began his career as a boy apprentice in a foundry, and until the end of his life remained a toiler and worker, though a comparatively short period of years put him into executive responsibilities and eventually he founded and built up the largest single industry in the city of Bucyrus and became an executive in several of Ohio's leading industrial companies.

He was born at Urbana, Ohio, January 20, 1861, and he died at Bucyrus on his fifty-fifth birthday anniversary, January 20, 1916. Only a man of tremendous energy and exceptional ability could accomplish so much in such a comparatively brief span of years. His parents, Patrick Berry and Mary (Coomy) Carroll, came from Cork, Ireland, about 1848. When Patrick J. Carroll was two years of age his parents moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he was educated in the Brothers School. At the age of fourteen he became a moulder's helper of the Brass Foundry and Machine Company. In 1882, at the age of twenty-one, he came to Bucyrus and found work at his trade with the Bucyrus Steam Shovel & Dredge Works. He also was employed as a moulder at Oil City, Pennsylvania, and Shelby, Ohio. He then resumed his former position with the Bucyrus Steam Shovel & Dredge Works, and held the position of foreman when the company moved its plant to Milwaukee.

In 1892 he bought the foundry and machine works of the Campbell Frog & Crossing Company, and changed this name to the Carroll Foundry & Machine Works. This was the industry in which his energies were tendered and in which he took the greatest pride. He made of it the chief industrial organization of Bucyrus, and developed the grey iron foundry until it was not excelled by any similar plant in the state. The Carroll Company manufactures the Ohio locomotive crane, which for years has been extensively used in nearly all the railway shop yards and other industrial plants. He also secured the cast iron contracts from the Toledo & Ohio Central Railway Company. Its growing business soon made the original plant too small, and in 1898 he bought the plant of the Gibbony Radiator Company at North Bucyrus, where the Carroll Foundry & Machine Works was reestablished on a larger scale. Besides being president of the Carroll Foundry and Machine Works Mr. Carroll was president of the Bucyrus Steel Casting Company, of the Ohio Locomotive Crane Company, of the Bucyrus Rubber Company and the Brokensword Stone Company; was vice president of the Bucyrus Lumber Company, the Bucyrus Light & Power Company, and the First National Bank of Bucyrus, and was a director in the Bucyrus City Bank. Many of his investments took the form of real estate in his home city and at other places.

Mr. Carroll represented the old type of the industrial manager, one who had come up from the ranks, and always maintained, as far as possible, the intimate association of worker with worker. This no doubt was responsible for the fact that he never had any strikes or labor troubles. Mr. Carroll was a Catholic, was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his favorite recreation was fishing.

February 18, 1896, he married Miss Phoebe Strawbridge, daughter of John Strawbridge, an engineer of Bucyrus. Mrs. Carroll survives, and there are three children: Robert S.; Edith Eleanor, who finished her education in Simmons College at Boston; and John Carroll, now a student of law in the University of Michigan.

Robert S. Carroll, the oldest child, is manager of the estate of P. J. Carroll. He was born at Bucyrus, March 4, 1897, was educated in the local schools and in the University of Notre Dame at South Bend, Indiana, and was attending Ohio State University at Columbus when his father died. He immediately left school to lend his aid in carrying on his father's many business enterprises, and is now a director in the Carroll Foundry & Machine Works, the First National Bank of Bucyrus, the Bucyrus Rubber Company and of several other local organizations. He is unmarried and lives with his mother. He is a Catholic, belongs to the Phi Delta Theta college fraternity, the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

WILLIAM BUCK is a native of Ohio, and the important work of his early manhood was teaching and school administration. He has been a member of the bar for a number of years, and since 1916 has been engaged in a general law practice at Germantown in Montgomery County.

He was born at West Alexandria, Ohio, December 7, 1871, the son of George and Barbara Buck. Mr. Buck acquired a public school education in his native town, and after that relied upon his own resources to get him the educational equipment he desired. He attended Capital University at Columbus, Ohio, and did most of his school work in Preble County, serving three years as school superintendent in Monroe Township, and seven years as principal of the Eaton High School. At Eaton he studied law under E. P. Vaughn, was admitted to the bar, but from 1904 to 1916 his time was taken up with his duties as an officer of the revenue department of the federal government.

Mr. Buck in 1916 established his law office and home at Germantown, and has built up an extensive practice there. In the fall of 1917 he was elected mayor of Germantown, and held that office two terms. He is a member of Boliver Lodge of Masons at Eaton, the Knights of Pythias Lodge at Alexandria, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Germantown, and is a trustee of the Lutheran Church.

He married, August 25, 1898, Miss Mina E. Trone, daughter of Jacob and Mary Trone, of West Manchester, Ohio. She is a graduate of the high school there, and is active in social and club life at Germantown, being a member of the Eastern Star, the Pythian Sisters, the Twentieth Century Club, and is a teacher in the Sunday School of the Lutheran Church. Mr. and Mrs. Buck have two children, Dr. Marcus A., who is a graduate in dental surgery from Ohio State University and is practicing at Germantown, and John Buck, a member of the Junior Class of Northwestern University Medical School at Chicago.

COL. FRANK C. GERLACH, present postmaster of the City of Wooster, is a veteran of two wars, enlisting as a private in the Ohio National Guard thirty years ago. In the great war while in France and Belgium he served as lieutenant-colonel and colonel of the One Hundred Forty-sixth Infantry.

Colonel Gerlach was born at Wooster, Ohio, April

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29, 1870, one of the four children of Frank C. and Johanna M. (Kaltwasser) Gerlach. His parents were born at Wetzlar, Germany, and were married after they came to the United States. His father for many years was in the retail meat business at Wooster. Both parents are now deceased.

Frank C. Gerlach as a boy attended the public schools of Wooster, and from school went to work in a drug store. In 1891, at the age of twenty-one, was graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. As a registered pharmacist he was for several years connected with the John Zimmerman Drug Company of Wooster, and then engaged in the drug business on his own account. He has been successful in business, and is esteemed for his business integrity and good citizenship as well as his record as a soldier.

In 1894 he enlisted as private in Company D of the Eighth Regiment of Ohio National Guard. He was promoted to captain of the company, and when the Spanish-American war came on in 1898 he commanded his company during its service in Cuba, including the siege of Santiago. After that war he continued an officer in the National Guard, and when America entered the World war he was commissioned lieutenant-colonel of the One Hundred Forty-sixth Infantry. He was with that regiment in training at Camp Sheridan in Montgomery, Alabama, and later at Camp Lee, Virginia, where the regiment was recruited to full war strength. In June, 1918, the regiment was ordered overseas, landing at Brest and then proceeded to Bourmont for intensive training before being sent to the front lines. The regiment was part of the Thirty-seventh Division. Its first duty was in the Baccarat sector, which, while considered a quiet sector, was really exposed to much enemy activity, so that the Thirty-seventh Division participated in a number of minor engagements. Colonel Gerlach and his command participated in one of the greatest battles of the war, that of the Argonne Forest, and subsequently held a portion of the line near Verdun. From there they were ordered to Belgium, and just before leaving for that front Lieutenant-colonel Gerlach was transfered to the One Hundred Forty-fifth Infantry of the same brigade. In Belgium his regiment participated with the French and Belgian forces along the Escaut River, and in that campaign he was promoted to the rank of colonel. After the signing of the armistice Colonel Gerlach remained in France, being returned to the One Hundred Forty-sixth Regiment, and returning to the United States, was mustered out April 13, 1919. Colonel Gerlach was one of Ohio's soldiers cited in military orders and awarded the Belgian war cross, the French croix de guerre and the American distinguished service medal. He had been home only a few months when he was appointed postmaster of Wooster, on February 24, 1920.

Colonel Gerlach is a member of the Ohio Legion of Foreign Wars. He organized the first post of the American Legion at Wooster and became its first commander. In 1922-23 he was president of the Thirty-seventh Division Veterans Association, and for the preceding year had been president of the One Hundred Forty-sixth Infantry Veterans Association. Colonel Gerlach organized the Camp of Spanish-American War Veterans at Wooster and he served as its first commander. He is a director of the Wayne Building & Loan Company and the Citizens National Bank, and is vice president of the Wooster Board of Trade. He is president of the Wayne County Council of Boy Scouts of America, is a member of the Rotary Club, a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a democrat in politics, and a member of the Lutheran Church.

Colonel Gerlach married in 1902 Miss Florence M. McClarran, of Wooster, who was born and reared in that city, daughter of Harry McClarran, who for many years was active in the grocery business. Mrs. Gerlach has two children, Mary and Harry.

Ralph Hathaway. Among the educators of Seneca County who by instruction, precept and example have contributed to the advancement of this community, Ralph Hathaway, superintendent of schools at Bloomville, is worthy of mention. Since entering upon his independent career he has devoted himself to educational work, and there are few more efficient or popular instructors in this part of the state.

Mr. Hathaway was born on a farm in Reed Township, Seneca County, and is a son of Henry and Arvilla (Dwire) Hathaway. Henry Hathaway was born in 1828, the first white male child to be born in Scipio Township, Seneca County, while Mrs. Hathaway was born in Reed Township, in 1845. Mrs. Hathaway was a woman of excellent intellectual attainments and advanced education, having attended the district schools and Republic Academy, from the latter of which she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Her husband had attended the same academy. Following their marriage they settled on a farm in Reed Township, and there they continued to make their home. Mr. Hathaway at the time of his death was the oldest living Mason in Attica Lodge in point of years and membership. A republican in politics, he held several township offices, and always proved himself honorable and conscientious in the discharge of his duties. He and Mrs. Hathaway had three children: Ralph, of this notice; a sister who died at the age of ten years; and a brother who died when forty-four years of age. The last named was a graduate of Green Spring Academy and a teacher, and afterward a farmer. A prominent republican in politics, he served for some years as a member of the County Board of Education, and was president thereof at the time of his death.

Ralph Hathaway was reared on the home farm and was given good educational advantages, attending first the local schools, then Miami University and Lima College. He received his degree of Bachelor of Philosophy from Heidelberg University and the degree of Master of Arts from Ohio State University. Upon the completion of his education Mr. Hathaway took up teaching, and for a time was an instructor at Heidelberg Academy and did normal work for two years. After school work at various points, in 1914 he was made superintendent of schools at Bloomville, which position he now occupies, and in which he has done much to aid the cause of education and to better the standards and system in this locality. Mr. Hathaway is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and teacher of the Men's Bible Class. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias; to Eden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and to the Order of the Eastern Star, of which he is a past worthy patron and Mrs. Hathaway, past worthy matron. In politics he is a republican.

Mr. Hathaway married Miss Winifred Kentfield, of Carey, Wyandotte County, Ohio, and to this union there have been born three children: Bernice, Dwight and Marjorie.

Perry Augustus Jividen, M. D. In Meigs County, where he was born and reared, Dr. Perry Augustus Jividen has for more than twenty years been an honored and skillful physician and surgeon, with an extensive practice both in town and country. His home is at Rutland.

Doctor Jividen was born on his father's farm in Lebanon Township of Meigs County, January 30, 1876, son of Elias and Viola (Webster) Jividen. His father, who died in July, 1911, at the age of

sixty-five, volunteered when only sixteen years of age for service in the Union army at the time of the Civil war, joining the Thirteenth West Virginia Infantry on the Union side. He was in the thick of many battles in the Shenandoah Valley and other sections of Virginia. Soon after the war he moved to Meigs County, Ohio, and in his mature career proved a very able business man and a citizen. He was in the timber and tan bark business, and subsequently a practical farmer and live stock dealer, owning 500 acres of land. He served as chairman of the Meigs County Republican Executive Committee, was honored with a number of township and county offices, and was on the county board of agriculture. He was one of the organizers of the Racine Bank in his home community. His fraternal affiliations were with the Masonic order and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Elias Jividen married Viola Webster, of Lebanon Township, Meigs County, daughter of Abraham Webster. She is now a resident of Columbus. There are four children: Jasper Finley, a farmer at Racine; Charles Alva, who operates the ferry boat at Mason City; Clara Frances, widow of Alva Gaylord and living at Columbus; and Perry Augustus.

Doctor Jividen, the youngest child of his parents, grew up on the farm, attended the country schools near his home, and at the age of seventeen became a student in Carleton College at Syracuse. He taught three terms of school in his home district, and began the study of medicine in the office of Doctor Ryan at Long Bottom. He then entered Starling Medical College, now the medical department of Ohio State University at Columbus, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1902. After graduating he practiced at Dexter until 1909, and since then has been established at Rutland. He is a member of the County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and has rendered civic service in addition to the faithful work of his profession. He is financially interested in the Mutual National Bank of Middleport and the Racine Home Bank. He is a former member of the Rutland Town council and School Board. In politics he votes as a republican, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias order.

Doctor Jividen married Miss Blanch Dye, daughter of Thomas F. Dye, of Downington, Ohio. They were married in 1903, and have one daughter, Mary Frances, born in 1911. Mrs. Jividen is a member of the Methodist Church.

Willis E. Haines grew up in the village of LeRoy in Medina County, the home for three-quarters of a century of the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company. This business is the central institution of the town, and, like nearly every one else there, Mr. Haines on reaching manhood entered the service of the company. He has remained with it in increasing responsibilities and for a number of years has been secretary of the organization. The history of the company is sketched elsewhere.

Willis E. Haines was born at Bryan, in Williams County, Ohio, May 16, 1860, only child of Thomas W. and Urania M. (Daniels) Haines. His mother was born in Portage County, Ohio, of an old family there. Thomas W. Haines was born in New Jersey, came to Ohio when a young man, and was a shoemaker by trade. He located at LeRoy in 1869, and lived there until his death.

Willis E. Haines was reared and educated in the public schools of LeRoy, and after leaving high school he taught for a brief time. In 1881, at the age of twenty-one, he went to work for the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company, and in later years was appointed assistant secretary, and since 1909 has filled the office of secretary. He has been a member of the Board of Directors for many years. Mr. Haines is a member of the Universalist Church. He is a Knight Templar and Thirty-second Degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In 1885 he married Miss Bertha E. Reynolds. They have two children, Harold A. and Harriet. Harold is an ex-service man, serving in the chemical warfare division, and was overseas. He is now head of the statistical department of the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company.

Daniel C. Jones, one of the representative members of the bar of Lawrence County, is established in successful general practice at Ironton, the county seat.

Mr. Jones was born at Oak Hill, Jackson County, Ohio, December 18, 1878, and is a son of Evan C. and Margaret (Parry) Jones, both now deceased, the lineage on both sides tracing back to staunch Welch origin, Evan C. Jones was a son of Evan and Elizabeth Jones, who were born in Wales and who came to the United States and settled on a farm near Oak Hill, Ohio, where they passed the remainder of their lives. Margaret (Parry) Jones was a daughter of David and Susan Parry, the former of whom was born in the United States, of Welch parentage, and the latter of whom was a native of Wales.

Evan C. Jones was a gallant soldier of the Union during virtually the entire period of the Civil war, he having been a member of the First Ohio Heavy Artillery. He became a skilled civil and mining engineer, and served as county surveyor of Jackson County, Ohio. He became a pioneer in Rice County, Kansas, where likewise he served as county surveyor, and he eventually returned to Jackson County, Ohio, where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives. Of the five children the subject of this sketch is the eldest, he being the only son. One of the daughters is deceased.

Daniel C. Jones was graduated from the high school at Jackson as a member of the class of 1898, and in 1902 he was graduated from the University of Ohio, with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. He thereafter completed the curriculum of the law department of the same institution, from which he received in 1905 his degree of Bachelor of Laws, with virtually coincident admission to the bar of his native state. In December of the same year he became associated in practice with A. R. Johnson at Ironton, and in 1909 the two formed a professional partnership under the title of Johnson & Jones, this firm being one of the foremost at the bar of Lawrence County and controlling a large and representative practice.

Mr. Jones is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party. He is a valued member of the Ironton Chamber of Commerce and the local Rotary Club and in the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with the Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council of the York Rite, and Knights Templars in his home city. He is a member also of the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, besides being affiliated with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the Phi Delta Phi, and the Phi Beta Kappa college fraternities. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church.

June 17, 1908, recorded the marriage of Mr. Jones and Miss Marguerite Blanche Jones, daughter of E. T. and Julia A. Jones, of Jackson, this state. E. T. Jones was a pioneer in the charcoal industry in Jackson County, and he served as sheriff of that county, his election having attested his popularity, since he was a democrat and was elected in a strong republican county. He was educated at Ohio University at Athens, Ohio. He took specially deep interest in educational matters and served for a quarter of a century as a member of the City Board of Edu-

cation of Jackson, Ohio, where he was a citizen of prominence and influence and a business man who achieved large success. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Jones have one child, Helen Kathlyn.

ROBERT ELLIS SHELTON, D. D. S., has been established in the successful practice of his profession in the City of Portsmouth since 1921, and is one of the able and popular dental practitioners in Scioto County.

Doctor Shelton was born in Adams County, Ohio, May 22, 1883, and he is the youngest of the fine family of twelve children (all living) born to Thomas Jefferson Shelton and Mary (Dragoo) Shelton, both likewise natives of the old Buckeye State. The loved mother died in the spring of 1923, and the venerable father, now eighty-four years of age (1923), still resides in Adams County. He is a son of William and Bettie (Cochran) Shelton, both of Irish lineage, William Shelton having come to Ohio from Virginia. Samuel Dragoo, maternal grandfather of the Doctor, likewise was a scion of staunch Irish stock, the family name of his wife having been Day. Thomas Jefferson Shelton gave the greater part of his active career to farm industry, in which he gained substantial success. He has ever been a stalwart advocate of the principles of the republican party, has been influential in public affairs in his county, and has given effective and loyal service as a member of the Board of County Commissioners. He is a past master of his Masonic Blue Lodge, and his religious faith is that of the Presbyterian Church, of which his wife likewise was an earnest member.

The childhood and early youth of Doctor Shelton were passed on the home farm, and his public school discipline included that of the high school at Manchester, in his native county. In preparation for his chosen profession he thereafter entered the department of dentistry of the Ohio State Medical College in the City of Cincinnati, and from this institution he received his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery upon his graduation as a member of the class of 1909. For the ensuing ten years he was established in practice at Manchester, Adams County, and in 1921 he moved to Portsmouth, which city has since continued the stage of his successful professional activities, his practice being of substantial and representative order. The Doctor is an active member of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce, is aligned in the ranks of the republican party, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he maintains membership in the Presbyterian Church.

December 6, 1911, recorded the marriage of Doctor Shelton and Miss Bertha Himes, who was born and reared in Kentucky and whose death occurred in 1921. Mrs. Shelton was a daughter of Pal and Queen (Truesdale) Himes, both natives of Kentucky, which state the father represented as a valiant soldier of the Confederacy in the Civil war. Doctor Shelton has two children: Mary Katherine and Thomas Himes.

MELVIN DAVID HARTINGER, a doctor of dental surgery who has been giving a highly qualified service in that profession in Meigs County for a quarter of a century, is a professional man at Pomeroy, and is also known as owner and developer of one of the finest fruit farms in this section of Ohio.

Doctor Hartinger was born at Middleport, Meigs County, May 22, 1875, a son of Dr. Daniel Skinner and Hannah E. (Jacobs) Hartinger. The Hartinger family came from Germany to America in Colonial times. The grandfather was William B. Hartinger, who was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, and spent most of his active life as a farmer in Meigs County, where he died at the age of seventy-eight. He was an original republican in politics. His wife was Phoebe Skinner, and they had a family of three sons and three daughters. The only one now living is Doctor Daniel S. The son of William M. Hartinger was a druggist at Middleport, and died at the age of sixty-nine. In the Civil war he saw active service all through the struggle with the Ninety-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, participating in many battles, including Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Lookout Mountain and the engagements on the march to the sea. He served as treasurer of the county, and was a member of the school board and city council. The other son, Isaac Wesley Hartinger, was also a veteran in the Ninety-second Ohio Infantry, and was killed in the battle of Missionary Ridge on December 24, 1863.

Dr. Daniel Skinner Hartinger was born on a farm three miles northwest of Middleport, January 19, 1847. He attended country schools in Rutland Township, the Middleport High School, had an experience as a teacher in country schools for two terms, worked on a farm and on steamboats on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, and began the study of medicine in the office of Dr. D. C. Rathburne. For six years he was employed in his brother's drug store, that being a valuable experience in teaching him pharmacy and the compounding of medicines. For one term he was able to attend Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati, and was then given a temporary license to practice medicine. In this way he was able to complete his course at Cincinnati, where he graduated in 1876. However, for fully half a century he has been in practice at Middleport. In that time he has ridden thousands of miles on horseback, his range of practice covering not only this section of Ohio, but portions of West Virginia. He has always been very fond of horses, and kept a number of good ones in his stables long after the advent of the automobile. His practice is now office consultation except when his old friends demand his presence at their bedside. He has served on the pension board for thirty years, and is a member of the Universalist Church. At the time of the Civil war he started for the army whenever opportunity permitted his slipping away from home, but his father brought him back every time. He has been a Mason for forty years and is charter member of the Knights of Pythias.

Doctor Daniel S. Hartinger married in 1870, Miss Hannah Jacobs daughter of David R. Jacobs. She was born in Meigs County. Three sons were born to their marriage.

Melvin David Hartinger attended school at Middleport, and subsequently entered the Ohio Dental College at Cincinnati, where he was graduated April 6, 1898. He practiced at Middleport for nearly twenty years, but since 1916 his home and offices have been in Pomeroy. He has kept in touch with the rapidly advancing knowledge and methods in dental surgery, and has achieved a distinctly gratifying success in his profession.

Largely as a diversion, Doctor Hartinger in 1911 established what he then called the Hillsdale Fruit Farm. He had personal supervision of the property until 1920, and was directly responsible for the foundation work that has made the farm a show place among horticultural enterprises in Southern Ohio. Since 1920, however, James Titus, a graduate of the State University Horticultural Department, has been in charge. In order to give it a more individual name the business is now known as the Hartinger Fruit Farm. The farm has fifty acres of apple trees producing the delicious Stayman winesaps, King David and other splendid commercial varieties of the apple, and peaches are ripening in the orchards from early in the season until October.

Doctor Hartinger has always confessed to a strong love for fine horses, and at one time gave much attention to the raising of horses. He and his mother were

at one time joint owners of a prosperous dairy business, maintaining an exceptionally fine herd of Jersey cows. Doctor Hartinger was the first president of the Kiwanis clubs of Pomeroy and Middleport. The following year he was elected president of the Meigs County Good Roads Association. As a boy he played baseball and later managed the team. In 1911 he served as president of the Pomeroy and Middleport Baseball Club. This club was a member of the Mountain State League, operating under the National Baseball League rules. This was the first professional baseball ever played in the Pomeroy Bend. The following teams composed the league: Charleston, Huntington, Ashland, Cattlesburg, Pomeroy-Middleport, Montgomery and Parkersburg. After a hard fought battle Pomeroy-Middleport won the pennant. In 1912 Doctor Hartinger was elected vice president of the league, but about mid-season several of the teams became dissatisfied and the league disbanded. This was a great disappointment to the lovers of good sport, for never before or since has there been such an exhibition of the great American game in this section. As a financial proposition the venture was a failure, but for those who loved the sport it was a great success. Doctor Hartinger is an independent in politics, is a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythias and Elks. Doctor Hartinger married in 1902 Miss Edith Lust, daughter of William Lust, of Pomeroy, Ohio.

Lucien M. Doty. In naming the men who are identified with the great shoe industry of Ohio no list would be complete that did not contain the name of Lucien M. Doty, secretary and sales manager of the Selby Shoe Company of Portsmouth, Scioto County. With the exception of four years at the start of his career, when he was employed as a telegraph operator, he has been identified with this line of business all his life, and in the attainment of the office which he now holds has worked his way up from a humble capacity to one in which he is recognized as a force in the industry which he represents.

Mr. Doty was born October 14, 1876, at Chillicothe, Ross County, Ohio, and is a son of Theodore and Martha (Weaver) Doty, being descended from ancestors from New England, whence came his great-grandfather to Ohio. Theodore Doty was born October 26, 1844, in Ross County, Ohio, a son of John M. and Sarah H. (Jones) Doty, the former a well-known and influential democratic politician of his day and locality. Until the age of fifteen years Theodore Doty attended the public schools of Chillicothe, and then was variously occupied until reaching the age of twenty-one years, when he secured employment with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company. He remained in the employ of this company until 1888, when he located at Portsmouth and became freight agent of the Scioto Valley Railway Company, later holding the same position with the Norfolk & Western Railway. In 1893 he became president and one of the Board of Directors of the Scioto Fire Brick Company of Sciotoville, Ohio, and for two years, from 1890 to 1892, was president of the Scioto County Agricultural Society. From 1896 to 1901 he served as president of the Board of Trade, was a member of the City Council in 1896 and 1897, and in 1898 and 1899 was a member of the City Board of Education. In 1893 and 1894 he was president of the Garfield Club. Mr. Doty was reared a democrat, but when he became of age became a republican of pronounced type, and was active in political circles while living at Chillicothe. On coming to Portsmouth he at once became identified with the affairs of his party, and for a number of years acted as a member of the Republican Executive Committee. Fraternally Mr. Doty was a Mason, and past eminent commander of Calvary Commandery, Knights Templar; in addition to which he was past exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge at Portsmouth. In all enterprises for the public good he has always been ready to do his share, and while he is now retired from active affairs still takes an interest in civic matters. Mr. Doty married Miss Martha E. Weaver, July 9, 1868, and she is now deceased, having been the mother of six children; Frank, Harry, Lucien, Charles, Elizabeth and Edith.

Lucien M. Doty attended the public schools of Chillicothe until his parents moved to Portsmouth in 1888, at which time he began attending the schools of the latter city. After two years in the high school he went to work for the Norfolk & Western Railroad Company as a telegraph operator and in station work, and continued as a railroader for four years. Next he joined the Heer Shoe Company, with which he remained until that company sold out its interests. His next connection was with the Murphy Company, handling shoes as a jobber, but in 1905 he resigned and joined his present company, the Selby Shoe Company. Mr. Doty commenced with this concern as a clerk and general office worker, and gradually worked his way upward until becoming secretary of the company in 1918. He still retains this position and has done much to contribute to the success of the company. Mr. Doty is an active member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Country Club, and as a fraternalist is a Scottish Rite and Knight Templar Mason and an Elk. With his family he belongs to the First Presbyterian Church. When he can spare the time from his business duties Mr. Doty indulges his liking for the pastimes of golf and fishing. He takes an active interest in civic affairs, and during the World war was prominently identified with all the activities engaged in by the local organizations.

On September 29, 1910, at Portsmouth, Mr. Doty was united in marriage with Mrs. Murial (Evans) Larew, daughter of Nelson W. and Elizabeth (Henderson) Evans, Ohio people, the latter of whom survives. The late Nelson W. Evans was one of the leading attorneys, as well as a historian, being the author of the History of Scioto County, published in 1903, which is most complete in every respect. Four children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Doty: Gladys, Lucien M., Jr., Drayton and Elizabeth, all at home.

John F. Taylor, president of the Universal Motor Company of Portsmouth, Ohio, is a native of Pennsylvania, his birth occurring in Susquehanna County on February 10, 1878. His parents are Leslie and Elizabeth (Landon) Taylor, the former being now deceased, but the latter is still living with her daughter, Mrs. George L. Pake, of Waverly, Ohio.

The paternal grandfather of John F. was born in Pennsylvania, the maternal grandfather was born in Ohio. Leslie Taylor was a prominent bridge contractor and builder on the railroads in Western Kansas and Missouri.

John F. Taylor received a liberal education in the public schools of Emporia, Kansas, and elsewhere, and was prepared for the strenuous duties of life upon the death of his father while he was a boy. He came to Rarden soon afterward and began work for his uncle, Lafayette Taylor, in the lumber business. At that time Lafayette Taylor was one of the leading and conspicuous business operators of the county. He owned a tract of valuable timber land and was the owner and operator of several saw mills, besides a large general store, a capacious stone quarry and was the head of the Taylor Cooperage Company. The big store was where John F. was assigned work and responsibility. So earnest were his efforts and so masterly his management that he soon acquired a one-half interest in the establishment. In 1914 he accepted the Ford agency for the disposal of cars

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for Rarden and vicinity, and the following year moved to Portsmouth and organized the Universal Motor Company and soon had a large and profitable business. In 1917 he acquired the entire holdings of the Universal Motor Company. Soon afterward he sold his interest in the store at Rarden and began to devote his entire time to the rapidly growing business of the Universal Motor Company. So prosperous and promising became their operations that in 1922 he purchased one of the best and most conspicuous corners in the business section of Portsmouth and has erected thereon the most complete, best equipped and arranged and the handiest repair garage probably in the state and perhaps in the whole country. Many who have seen and used it are firm in their declarations that it is superior to any in the country. So widely were its merits advertised that the "Motor World" of New York sent one of its representatives to Portsmouth to examine it, with the result that the magazine gave it a full front-page write-up with elaborate illustrations.

On October 19, 1898, John F. Taylor was united in marriage with Miss Romie E., daughter of Dugal and Violet (Journey) Steward. Mrs. Taylor died November 9, 1922, at Portsmouth. They had two children, Mary Stewart and Helen Elizabeth. Her mother is living, but the father is deceased. He was a stone dealer on a large scale, owned a quarry, and was associated with the uncle of Mr. Taylor in the stone business. He was an Odd Fellow and a prominent and reputable citizen. John F. Taylor is a member of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, a Knight Templar, a Scottish Rite and a Shriner.

Lewis C. Peel. One of the old established and reliable business establishments of Portsmouth is that operating as the Peel Storage Company, of which the president and founder is Lewis C. Peel. This business has been in operation since 1900, but Mr. Peel's advent in the City of Portsmouth antedated that year by more than a decade, as his arrival occurred in 1889, when, still a youth, he embarked upon a career that has been one of constant advancement honorably acquired.

Mr. Peel was born March 19, 1871, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and is a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Clark) Peel. The Peel family is a notable one in the history of England, and Mr. Peel is a direct descendant of Sir Robert Peel, an English statesman, son of Sir Robert Peel, a wealthy manufacturer. Sir Robert Peel, the younger, was born in 1788, and studied at Harrow and Oxford. When just twenty-one years of age he entered Parliament, and thenceforth the sphere of his exertions and triumphs was in the House of Commons. In 1811 he was made under secretary for the colonies, and in 1812, when only twenty-four years of age, was given the very responsible position of chief secretary for Ireland. In 1822 he became home secretary, and in 1828 joined the ministry of the Duke of Wellington. He became prime minister in 1841, as the head of a protectionist government, and later becoming convinced of the value of free trade, became determined to carry its principles into practice. After the repeal of the Corn Laws and other measures in the same spirit he resigned office to a party to whom his later opinions legitimately belonged, in the summer of 1846. He died in 1850, of internal injuries caused by a fall from a horse. On his mother's side, Mr. Peel is a grandson of Capt. Luke Clark, an officer of the Union army during the Civil war.

Samuel Peel, the father of Lewis C. Peel, was born in England, and in 1865 came to the United States and settled at Cincinnati, where he established himself in business as a dyer. He continued as a resident of that city until his early death in 1873, when his son was only two years of age. Mrs. Peel, a native of Indiana, is also deceased.

The public schools of Cincinnati furnished Lewis C. Peel with his educational training, but his educational advantages were somewhat prescribed, inasmuch as owing to his father's death he was called upon to work at the age of fourteen years. His first employment was in a furniture store at Cincinnati, where he worked for four years, and after securing some experience decided to embark in business on his own account. Accordingly, in 1889, when eighteen years old, he came to Portsmouth and started a modest furniture establishment. This he built up to sizable proportions, and in 1900 went into the storage warehouse and general transfer and truck business. He now has the largest storage warehouse in the city, and handles all manner of merchandise, doing a general forwarding business. This enterprise has been built up gradually from small beginnings to one of general importance to the city as a commercial asset, through industry, good management, honorable dealing and fair representation. Mr. Peel has established an excellent standing for himself in business circles, one that is well merited because of the manner in which he has conducted his activities. He belongs to the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce and fraternally is affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Eagles, while his religious connection is with the Presbyterian Church.

On November 18, 1891, at Portsmouth, Ohio, Mr. Peel was united in marriage with Miss Mary Agnew, a daughter of Capt. John and Mary (Bobb) Agnew, natives of Kentucky, who are both deceased, a granddaughter of Samuel and Jane (Wilkins) Agnew, and a member of one of the old and prominent families of Kentucky. She is also connected with the well-known Wilson family of West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Peel are the parents of one son, Ralph, now connected with the shipping department of the Whittaker-Glessner Steel Company of Portsmouth, who served during the World war as a first sergeant in the Quartermaster's Department, Hospital Corps. He married Miss Grace Adams, of Portsmouth, and they are the parents of two daughters, Marilan and Betty Lew.

William S. Hart, M. D. While a physician by education and profession, Doctor Hart, of Pomeroy, Meigs County, is perhaps better known in that section because of his extended public service as county auditor, a post of duty in which he served four terms.

Doctor Hart was born on a farm in Lodi Township, Athens County, October 15, 1865, and was an infant when his parents moved to Meigs County. His father, David Hart, was a native of New Jersey, and his mother, Barbara (Wetheral) Hart, was born in Pennsylvania. Both had been married before, and Barbara Wetheral at the time of her marriage to David Hart was the widow of Robert Shaw. David Hart had fourteen children by his first marriage and six by his second wife. David Hart spent his active career as a farmer and during the sixteen years he lived at Pomeroy he was a butcher and justice of the peace. After leaving Pomeroy he established his home on a farm in Scipio Township of Meigs County. He was a very prosperous citizen and active in the United Brethren Church. David Hart died in 1895 at the age of eighty, and his wife, Barbara, passed away aged seventy. The sons of David Hart by his first marriage were Aaron, Daniel, James, Peter, Philip and John, and there were two sons of the second marriage: Frank, a farmer, who died in 1921, and Dr. William S.

William S. Hart acquired a common school education, and at the age of seventeen began teaching. He taught through a period of eight years, using his

vacation periods and his earnings to advance his education, attending the Pageville Academy and the Jerseyville Seminary, and he also began the study of medicine in Doctor Blakely's office. Besides teaching he also did farm work as a means toward accumulating the capital needed to put into medical school. He graduated in March, 1891, from the Columbus Medical College, and then for about twelve years was engaged in private practice at Dyesville in Meigs County.

In 1902 he became deputy auditor of Meigs County, serving in that capacity until 1908, when he was elected auditor, serving four years, from 1909. During 1914-15 he was assistant to the district assessor, and then was again elected auditor, holding that office until March, 1923. During a portion of his term as county auditor the present Governor Donahey was state auditor. Doctor Hart has always been deeply interested in politics, attending numerous county and state conventions as a delegate. His chief business responsibilities at present are as secretary and manager of the Valley Standard Credit Company.

Doctor Hart married, on September 2, 1890, Miss Blanche Tewksbury. Her father is Aaron Tewksbury, a veteran of the Civil war and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Doctor and Mrs. Hart have four children: Elsa, bookkeeper and cashier for the New York Clothing Company at Pomeroy; Edna B., wife of H. E. Cooper, an automobile dealer at Pomeroy and Middleport; Audrey L., wife of Dr. E. F. Maag, of Middleport; and William L., a student in high school. Doctor Hart is a republican, is past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias, a member of the Masonic order, and is active in the Methodist Episcopal Church, having formerly been a teacher in the Sunday school.

Floyd Elmer Stearnes. Of all the arts none is productive of so much genuine pleasure as music, and those who adequately interpret the masters are benefactors of the human race as well as artists of the highest culture. One of the men whose lives have been given to this art, and who has attained to distinction in it is Floyd Elmer Stearnes, leader of the Excelsior Band and for many years president of the River City Band. He was born at Portsmouth, October 23, 1879, a son of Frederick A. and Anna M. (Saufferer) Stearnes, the former now deceased. Frederick A. Stearnes was born in Bavaria, Germany, as was his father, and was eleven years old when his parents brought him to the United States. When war broke out between the North and the South Frederick A. Stearnes enlisted in the Union army, as did so many of his countrymen, and, being a musician, served as bugler of the One Hundred and Forty-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Subsequently he became a major of the Home Guards, and was always called Major thereafter. During his military service he was wounded. In addition to following his calling of musician he worked at his trade of barbering. His father, the grandfather of Floyd Elmer Stearnes, was also a musician, and taught that art in Bavaria, so that Mr. Stearnes, of this notice, inherits his musical talent.

The Portsmouth public schools gave Mr. Stearnes his literary training, but he left school at the age of fifteen years and went to work in the Selby-Drew shoe factory, where he remained for eight years. Leaving that concern, he established a news agency, and through it handled all the daily and other papers and magazines, and for four years successfully conducted this business, and then, selling at a profit, opened a music store and handled pianos and musical instruments. During all of his mature years he has been connected with musical matters, and during much of the time was leader and manager of the old Excelsior Band. He was one of the organizers of the American Federation of Musicians, and for fifteen years was its president. Mr. Stearnes is a member of the River City Band and for twenty years was its president. During the late war he was active in war work.

On January 1, 1905, Mr. Stearnes married Bessie E. Fout, a daughter of Levi and Jane Fout, natives of Pennsylvania and Ohio, respectively, the former of whom is deceased, but the latter is living. Mr. and Mrs. Stearnes have four children: Marjorie Jean, Ruth Evelyn, Robert Louis and Richard Clayton.

Mr. Stearnes is a Mason, having been advanced through the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, and he also belongs to the Knights of Pythias, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce and the American Federation of Musicians, and is very active in all movements in behalf of the advancement of the city. His father was likewise prominent in the civic life of Portsmouth, and he, too, belonged to the Masonic fraternity and the Knights of Pythias, and he was also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Stearnes is the man to whom everyone goes in Portsmouth for music for all occasions, and they are never disappointed, for he can furnish it, and always of the highest class.

Samuel Anselm Skelton, of Portsmouth, has had a busy ten-year program since he was admitted to the bar. He has been city solicitor, and while still holding that office served nearly two years in the World war. He is now prosecuting attorney of Scioto County.

His father was the late Capt. James Skelton, an honored veteran of the Civil war. Capt. James Skelton was of old Virginia ancestry, and was born in Vernon Township, Scioto County, December 30, 1836, son of John and Minerva (Sperry) Skelton, and grandson of Samuel Skelton, who came to Southern Ohio from Staunton, Augusta County, Virginia. The Skelton name has been prominent in Virginia history for many generations. Samuel Skelton married Francis Wilson. Capt. James Skelton was reared in Scioto County, attended the common schools, and as a young man of eighteen went to work at farming and also was employed at the Empire Pine Grove and Junior Furnaces. On July 19, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company F of the Twenty-seventh Ohio Infantry, was soon made fourth sergeant and later first sergeant, and on June 27, 1864, promoter to sergeant-major. Soon afterward he was commissioned second lieutenant, and on the same day he lost his right leg in the battle of Kenesaw Mountain. After several months in the hospital he received his honorable discharge, February 14, 1865, having been promoted to the rank of captain in recognition of his brave and meritorious conduct. He was in many of the battles of the Mississippi Valley, including New Madrid, Island No. 10, Hamburg Landing, the siege and battle of Corinth, Parkers Cross Roads, and in all the engagements during the slow advance from Chattanooga to Kenesaw Mountain, where he was wounded.

After the war Captain Skelton became a merchant at Powellsville for a year or so, and then conducted a hotel and drug store at Wheelersburg, and also served as postmaster. In October, 1868, he was elected county auditor of Scioto County, and was reelected in 1870, his second term being extended ten months by act of the Legislature. Captain Skelton in 1875 purchased the old horse-car street railway at Portsmouth, and operated that public utility for eight years. In 1877 he was elected a commissioner

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of Scioto County, serving one term, but before its expiration he was appointed United States gauger, and filled that post of duty with the internal revenue department for ten years. On retiring from office he turned his attention to the real estate business, with A. T. Holcomb as a partner. He did more real estate development and laying out of town additions than any other individual.

Captain Skelton was a man of varied resources and interests. Perhaps his chief diversion was the raising of blooded stock. He had some of the best horses in this section of the country, and always was represented on the Grand Circuit. His stock farm had a private race track for training his horses. For a number of years he was in the City Council of Portsmouth, representing either the Fourth or the Third Wards. While he was on the council the first street paving was done. In 1900 he represented the Seventh Senatorial District on the Board of Equalization. Several terms he was a member of the Republican County Executive Committee and for two terms chairman of the Congressional Committee of the Tenth District. He was an alternate in several national conventions and did some very effective work in the campaign of 1896.

Captain Skelton had a great many admirers in Scioto County, and all of them united in praise of his utter fearlessness, his splendid qualities as a soldier, and his old army comrades say that but for his wound he would have reached a high rank before the end of the war. If he had ever set up a coat of arms his motto would have been "Never Say Die." He was energetic, public spirited, far seeing, and his enterprise redounded to the welfare of the entire community. He was always young in actions, and never too old. He was the soul of honor, and ever acted according to the right as he saw it.

On May 16, 1868, Captain Skelton married Mary O. Remy, daughter of Thomas Remy. To this marriage were born five children: Berry, deceased; William W., of Scioto County; Charles F., of Montana; James, of Chicago; and Fannie, wife of John DeLotelle, of Dayton, Ohio. On April 2, 1884, Captain Skelton married Mary E. Knittel, who is still living and is of German ancestry. She is the mother of four children, John R., Samuel Anselm, Dessie and Grace L.

Samuel Anselm Skelton was born at Portsmouth June 14, 1892. He acquired his early education in the graded schools in New Boston, and graduated from the Portsmouth High School in 1910. For six months was also a student in Ohio State University, and then finished his law course in the Cincinnati Law School, graduating Bachelor of Laws in 1913. He was admitted to the bar in June of the same year, and his time and energies were taken up with a growing general practice until the fall of 1915. At that date he was elected city solicitor. On August 27, 1917, while active in the campaign for reelection, he entered the Second Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, and at the close of the training was commissioned second lieutenant. While at the Officers' Training Camp he received word of his reelection as city solicitor. He was assigned to duty in Company D of the Fourth Infantry, and November 27, 1917, went to Camp Dodge, Iowa, with the Forty-second Infantry Regiment. In March, 1918, he was assigned to duty at Philadelphia, at the Cramp Ship Yards, and June, 1918, became an instructor of the Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg, New York. While at Plattsburg he was commissioned first lieutenant. In September, 1918, he was transferred to Lehigh University at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, as camp adjutant and professor of military science, and on November 23, 1918, became commanding officer of the Students' Army Training Corps at Penn College at Gettysburg. He remained on duty there until granted his discharge, February 19, 1919. Mr. Skelton soon afterward returned to Portsmouth, and on April 1 resumed his duties as city solicitor, and in the fall of 1919, was elected for a third term in that office. In November, 1922, he was elected prosecuting attorney of the county.

May 14, 1921, at Portsmouth, he married Miss Charlotte Dupuy, daughter of Thomas J. and Sarah (Hicks) Dupuy, both Ohio people and living at Portsmouth. Her father is active in business as a worker and also a stockholder and director in the Excelsior Shoe Company of Portsmouth, and is a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason. Mr. and Mrs. Skelton have one son, Samuel Anselm, Jr. They are members of the Second Presbyterian Church. Mr. Skelton is a Mason, Knight of Pythias, has held all the chairs and is a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a member of the Sons of Veterans, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Modern Woodmen of America and the American Legion Post. He also belongs to the County and State Bar associations, the Portsmouth Country Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and in college was president of the chapter of the Phi Alpha Delta.

R. Ansley Miller. A general building contractor at Middleport, the work of Mr. Miller is found in evidence throughout the district of country known as the Bend in Meigs County and over the Ohio River in sections of West Virginia. He is also a dealer in building material. A very prosperous business man and leader in civic affairs. Mr. Miller started his career at the age of twelve years digging coal in this section of Ohio.

He was born at Syracuse, Meigs County, November 2, 1877, son of David C. and Elizabeth (White) Miller. His father came from Scotland in 1860, having been a coal miner in his native land. For the first four years he worked in the anthracite mines of Pennsylvania, and then moved to Pomeroy, Ohio, and continued his work as a miner here. For many years his home was at Syracuse. He died in 1903, at the age of sixty-eight. He became a republican in politics after acquiring American citizenship. David Miller married Elizabeth White, who was born in Delaware. They were members of the Presbyterian Church. Their family consisted of three sons and four daughters. One son, David, is a manufacturer of patterns at Cleveland. Montrose was a miner and died at Syracuse at the age of twenty-two.

R. Ansley Miller was reared at Syracuse, attended the common schools there, and when he was twelve years of age took his place beside his father in the coal mines. He was in the mines until he was nineteen, when he became a carpenter, and as a journeyman he worked at his trade in Parkersburg, West Virginia, and at McKeesport, Pennsylvania, and on returning to Syracuse continued working for others in the mines, helping build houses and mine tipples in the Pomeroy Bend. Gradually he began taking small contracts, and during the past fifteen years he has handled most of the important building work in the Bend district. His most recent important contract was the Masonic Temple at Middleport. He also erected the Pure Oil Salt Plant at Bell, West Virginia, and another salt plant at Mason City, West Virginia, the plant of the Brocalsa Chemical Company, the high and graded schoolhouses at Middleport, the Syracuse Methodist Episcopal Church and a number of other buildings. During a portion of 1918-19 P. L. Clifton was his partner, but otherwise he has been in business alone.

Mr. Miller began dealing in lumber and building supplies in 1907, and now operates a modern planing plant in connection with his lumber yard. He is a

director in the Williams Cup Company, a director in the Mutual National Bank of Middleport and vice president of the Brocalsa Chemical Company. At all times he has put his services at the disposal of the community, and has been prominent in various movements. He is active in the good roads federation, is a member of the National Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, and was chairman of the local republican central committee in the campaign of 1922. All his employes are members of the Red Cross. Before coming to Middleport he was a member of the Syracuse school board for twelve years, and for eight years was chief of the Volunteer Fire Department of Middleport. He is affiliated with the Elks, the Junior Order United American Mechanics and the Knights of Pythias, and he and his family are Methodists.

Mr. Miller married in 1902 Miss Ethel Chase, daughter of David Chase. They have one son, David Chase Miller, now attending Culver Military Academy in Indiana, where he is preparing for entrance to Cornell University. Mr. Miller is a member of all the Masonic bodies in the York and Scottish Rites.

THOMAS CARLYLE BEATTY, former judge of the Probate Court at Portsmouth, has been in law practice in Scioto County for nearly thirty years, and the record of his life includes a number of honors and distinctions, marking special service.

Judge Beatty was born in Scioto County, December 7, 1868, and is a son of Robert and Armina (Reme) Beatty. The Beattys came to Ohio from Pennsylvania in 1830. Judge Beatty had a Revolutionary ancestor. His paternal grandparents were Reinhard and Mary (Taylor) Beatty. His mother was a daughter of Thomas Reme, of French ancestry. Armina Reme had three brothers who were soldiers in the Civil war.

Robert Beatty, father of Judge Beatty, is one of the most interesting old time citizens of Scioto County. He is still living, at the advanced age of eighty-three. He has a service record of four years as a Union soldier, a member of the First Ohio Cavalry. He was under General Thomas during much of the time. He was in the battles of Stone River, Kenesaw Mountain, Chickamauga and numerous others. He was once captured and for a time held a prisoner at Atlanta, made his escape and was recaptured, and was about to be sent to Libby Prison when he was exchanged. About two years after the war he married and settled on the farm in Scioto County, and continued farming and working in the mines until he had reared and provided for his family and finally retired under the burden of years. He reared ten children, and outlived all but two of them. Robert Beatty has been a man of great vigor, and probably never knew the meaning of fear. That quality was demonstrated while he was a soldier, and many times in civil life. He would never accept any public office. He was successful in a business way, and he always carried considerable money with him. When in his eightieth year and while living alone, as he still does at his farm, a robber entered his unlocked door and robbed him of about $1,000. He has always enjoyed the companionship of the old soldiers.

Thomas Carlyle Beatty grew up on his father's farm, and combined his schooling with hard work. He attended district schools three months each year, and then worked on the farm and in the mines with his father. Much of his early education was supplemented by study at home at night. When he was nineteen he was given a teacher's certificate, and during the next seven years he alternated between the teaching of school and study of law. His preceptor in law studies was Judge Theodore Funk. Mr. Beatty was admitted to the bar by examination in 1894, and since that year has been in general practice at Portsmouth. He filled the office of city attorney for five years, from 1901 to 1906, and his service as judge of the Probate Court continued for eight years, from 1909 to 1917. During the late war he assisted on the draft board and was also one of the four-minute speakers of the county. Judge Beatty is a member of the Portsmouth City Bar Association, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Eagles, and is a member of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church.

In February, 1896, at Portsmouth, he married Miss Margaret Apple, daughter of Theodore and Mary (Brant) Apple. Her father came from Germany in 1854 and settled in Scioto County and became one of the substantial farmers of this locality. Judge and Mrs. Beatty have three children, Charles E., Howard Holcomb and Louise. Charles E. is a dentist by profession, and during the World war was a first lieutenant in the Dental Corps and had charge of dental work at Camp Sherman. He married Mary Hunter, of Columbus, Ohio. The daughter, Louise, is the wife of William Henderson, and they reside at Cincinnati, where he is pursuing his medical studies.

HARRY M. DUNHAM. The distinction of being the youngest county sheriff in Ohio belongs to Harry M. Dunham of Portsmouth, Scioto County. Mr. Dunham was not yet twenty-eight years of age when he assumed the duties of that responsible position in January, 1923. His career has been an interesting one, marking the progress of a poor boy through hard work and fidelity to every interest.

He was born at Piketon in Pike County, Ohio, April 2, 1895, son of Jacob V. and Sarah (Foster) Dunham. The Dunhams are an old Virginia family. The founder of the family in Southern Ohio was Benajah Dunham, who was born in Virginia about 1785. In April, 1813, he married Eliza Mayner, and shortly afterward they came West and settled at Piketon, Ohio. They were the parents of Vincent Dunham, who was born about 1816. Vincent Dunham was the father of Jacob Dunham, who with his wife, Mary, were the grandparents of the Scioto County sheriff. The latter's maternal grandparents were Isaac and Elizabeth Foster. Mrs. Sarah Foster Dunham is now living at Portsmouth.

The late Jacob V. Dunham was in the meat market and cattle business at Piketon. He enlisted for service in the Union army at the time of the Civil war, but being only fifteen years of age his mother protested to the army authorities and they sent him home. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His death occurred in 1909.

Harry M. Dunham was only fourteen when his father died, and his public school education was ended soon afterward and his career has ever since been one of steady reliance on his own initiative and effort. After coming to Portsmouth, which was in 1911, he worked for the Selby Shoe Company until the early part of 1916. Mr. Dunham was then appointed a member of the City Police Department but left that service in May, 1918, and went to work for the Solvay Coke Company. In 1919 he was appointed deputy sheriff of Scioto County, and continued until April, 1921, when he was made clerk of the Municipal Court. He resigned that office in the fall of 1922 to become a candidate for sheriff, and received a substantial majority at the polls in November. In January, 1923, he was inaugurated, and since taking charge of the office he has proved by the vigor and courage of his administration that he possesses all the qualities deserving of the confidence and support he received. He believes in the vigorous enforcement of the law, and at the same time is a man with so many friends and of such social charm

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that his influence and prestige win more respect for the law than would any stern display of force.

Mr. Dunham married in 1913 Miss Emma A. Johnson, daughter of William and Nancy (McCleese) Johnson. Her parents are farming people living in Carter County, Kentucky. The two children of Sheriff and Mrs. Dunham are Jacob A. and Pauline. Mr. Dunham is a Methodist, and fraternally is affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America, the Woodmen of the World, the Tribe of Ben Hur, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Junior Order United American Mechanics and the Eagles. In politics he is a republican.

Maj. Ormsby Keselring, D. D. S. Few of the dental practitioners of Ohio can boast of more varied or valuable experience than Maj. Ormsby Keselring, D. D. S., of Portsmouth, Scioto County, who gained his title in the great World war through meritorious service in the line of his calling and who has made no less a splendid record during the days of peace that have followed as a capable and thoroughly learned practitioner.

Doctor Keselring was born March 16, 1889, at Lewisburg, Ohio, and is a son of Frank and Belle (Eversoll) Kesselring, natives of Ohio, who still reside at Lewisburg, where they are highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends and are active members of the Reformed Church. Frank Keselring carried on a general tobacco business, buying, selling and raising, and is the owner and operator of a tobacco warehouse at Lewisburg. Fraternally he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in former years was very active in that body, having passed all the chairs in his lodge.

Ormsby Keselring received his early education in the public schools of Lewisburg, Ohio, where he was graduated from the high school in 1908. For three years thereafter he taught in the public schools of the county, then enrolling as a student at Starling Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, from the dental department of which institution he was graduated in 1914 with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. At that time he began practice at Dayton, Ohio, where he was in the possession of a goodly clientele when the United States entered the World war. Doctor Keselring immediately enlisted for service in the Medical Corps as a dental surgeon, and was called into active service September 8, 1917, going to Camp Sherman, Ohio, where he received his first lieutenant's commission. He remained at that camp, in charge of the dental work, until June, 1918, in the meantime, in March, 1918, having been commissioned captain. In June, 1918, he went to Camp Mills, and on the 12th of that month sailed from Hoboken with the Three Hundred Twenty-fourth Field Artillery of the Eighty-third Division, landing at Liverpool and going thence to Le Havre, France, where he remained for a time at Rest Camps Nos. 1 and 2. He was then sent to Bain de Bretagne, France, where he remained for six weeks in charge of all dental work, following which he went to Coetquidan, France, and remained for a month in the training camp. He was next transferred to LeMans, where he had a very large class under his supervision, this being the point from which the troops were sent to the front for replacement work after examination, in addition to being a classification and transfer camp. Here at one time he had six assistants, and in one month they examined over 79,000 men as to the condition of their teeth, working all day and far into the night. After the signing of the armistice Doctor Keselring was sent to a forwarding camp, where he was engaged in debouching and evacuation work, and there, in February, 1919, received his commission as major. He arrived at Brest, July 5, 1919, whence he sailed for the United States, arriving at Boston seven days later, and then went successively to Camp Davis, Camp Dix and Camp Sherman, at the last named of which he was honorably discharged August 1, 1919. He first returned to Lewisburg, but shortly thereafter came to Portsmouth, where he again opened up an office, and is now a member of the dental surgery firm of Coffman and Keselring.

While there are numerous Keselrings in Virginia and nearby states, Major Keselring is the first of the family to have joined the Masons, in which he has attained to the thirty-second degree, Scottish Rite. He is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the College Greek dental fraternity of Psi Omega. He belongs to one of the old and honored families of the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia and is a grandson of Jonathan and Mary (Klinger) Keselring.

On March 23, 1918, at Dayton, Ohio, Major Keselring was united in marriage with Miss Miriam Mowery, daughter of Isaac and Lucy (Bright) Mowery, natives of Ohio, both of whom are living at Dayton, where Mr. Mowery is connected with the National Cash Register Company. Mr. Mowery has been a lifelong member of the United Brethren Church, in the work of which he is active.

Hon. Charles E. Peoples, judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the Ninth Judicial District, has earned many distinctions in the law and public affairs in Meigs County. His career has been one of intensive self effort directed to high and laudable ends, and he is easily one of the outstanding men in Southeastern Ohio today.

Judge Peoples was born in Orange Township, Meigs County, May 15, 1857, son of Addison and Huldah (Merritt) Peoples. Addison Peoples, who was born in Jefferson County, Ohio, in 1833, was a miller by trade, his father, Robert Peoples, having followed the same vocation. Robert Peoples was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, December 2, 1802, and on his mother's side was a descendant of the Griffins, one of the prominent early families of Pennsylvania. Peebles was an old family name in Ireland, and when one branch of the family came to America they changed the spelling to Peoples. Addison Peoples died in 1866, when his son Charles was nine years of age. The mother had died in 1863, and subsequently Addison Peoples married Hannah Biggs. Charles E. Peoples accompanied his stepmother after his father's death to Bedford Township, Meigs County, and lived with the Biggs family during his boyhood. He attended school there, did work as a farmer boy, and at the age of twenty became a teacher, doing work in the rural schools of Meigs and Athens counties for a period of ten years. He was also industriously advancing his own education by attending a select school six or eight weeks in the fall of each year, and in 1884, after his marriage, he was a student in the National Normal University at Lebanon. Some of the most valuable training he had in these years was his active work in the literary society, where he distinguished himself as a debater. He was studying law at home, and after completing his course Senator Cal Welch of Athens certified for him and he was admitted to the bar. Judge Peoples has been a constant student of his profession through all the years.

His first associate in law practice was C. D. Hopkins, now of Athens. They were together for about a year, and subsequently for three years he was in practice with H. C. Fish. Since 1908 his son, Emmett W. Peoples, who was educated at Ohio State University, and who was admitted to the bar in 1907,

has been in practice with his father at Pomeroy. Another son is E. M. Peoples, now a prominent business man, in the tent and awning business in Huntington, West Virginia. He was appointed a clerk in the adjutant general's office of Ohio by Governor Harmon, and during the Cox administration he served as assistant adjutant general of the state.

Judge Peoples married Ann Cowan, daughter of George and Diademia (Jones) Cowan, of Bedford Township, Meigs County. They were schoolmates, and she spent a year in the National Normal University with him after their marriage. She was a teacher for ten years. Mrs. Peoples died in January, 1917.

The first official honor given Judge Peoples was election as a justice of the peace of Bedford Township. He was chosen at the age of twenty-three, serving from 1880 to 1883. In 1890 he was elected prosecuting attorney, being the only democrat on the county ticket elected that year. He served two and one-half years as prosecutor, resigning to accept appointment as postmaster of Pomeroy. He was appointed by President Cleveland, and held the office four years. In the meantime, in 1892, without his solicitation or consent, he was nominated for Congress against C. H. Grosvenor, and in this republican stronghold was defeated by only 2,600 votes. He was again a nominee for Congress in 1898.

He was elected judge of the Ninth Common Pleas District in 1910. This district comprises the counties of Meigs, Gallia, Vinton, Hocking and Fairfield. In this election Judge Peoples defeated Judge Joseph P. Bradbury by 2,300 votes. Judge Bradbury, a former justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio, had carried the district in the previous election by 3,500 votes. Judge Peoples was chairman of the democratic central committee from 1890 for several years, and was a regular attendant as delegate at democratic state conventions from 1890 until conventions were practically superseded by primaries. Judge Peoples was a delegate to the national convention that nominated Judge Parker, and was in the national convention at Denver, representing the Philippine Islands. He was in the Philippines from June, 1907, to June, 1908, being associated in law practice at Manila with his stepbrother, C. W. O'Brien, who had gone out to the Philippines with the first contingent of American teachers, and while on the Island read law and was admitted to the bar. Judge Peoples was accompanied by his wife on this trip to the Philippines.

From 1889 for thirty years Judge Peoples published the Pomeroy Democrat. For twenty-five years Mrs. Peoples had charge of the circulation, and read the proof on the paper. Judge Peoples is president and a director of the Meigs County Savings & Loan Company. He is a member and elder of the Disciples Church, and for a number of years conducted the men's Bible class of that church at Middleport. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club.

Benjamin F. Prince, Ph. D., is distinguished among Ohio educators on account of his long service to Wittenberg College at Springfield, which he has served in teaching and other capacities continuously since 1866, a record probably unsurpassed by any school man in the state.

Doctor Prince was born at Westville, Champaign County, seven miles from Urbana, December 12, 1840, son of William and Sarah (Nauman) Prince. He is a descendant of John Henry Prince, who came from the palatinate region of Germany, arriving in this country September 26, 1749. Doctor Prince's first American ancestor in the maternal line was John G. Nauman, who arrived in this country August 21, 1750. The Prince family lived in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia for a number of years, and from there a branch of the family came into Ohio about 1809, and the Naumans settled in Champaign County in 1805. Doctor Prince' paternal grandparents were Adam and Eve Prince, the former a soldier in the War of 1812. The maternal grandparents were John Christian and Mary Magdalene (Zimmerman) Nauman. Doctor Prince was only seven years of age when his father died, in 1848. He had spent his life as a farmer. Sarah (Nauman) Prince died in January, 1881. Both parents were devoted Lutherans. They had a family of six children: Mary, who married Reinhard Snapp and had four children; David N., who served three years and three months in the Forty-second Ohio Infantry under General Garfield and others in the Civil war, married Mary Jones and became the father of five children; Peter W., who married Mary Browning and had four children; Elizabeth, who married John Wiant, and had three children; Benjamin F.; and Lydia, who married Emanuel Rogers and had four children.

Benjamin F. Prince grew up in the country, attended district schools, and as a youth entered the preparatory school of Wittenberg College at Springfield, an institution that was established a few years after his birth. He graduated Bachelor of Arts from the college in 1865, received his Master of Arts degree in 1868, and in 1891 his scholarship and his long service brought him the degree Doctor of Philisophy. He began teaching at Wittenberg in 1866 as instructor in Latin, Greek and Algebra, subsequently held the chair of history and for the past quarter of a century has been connected with the faculty as professor of history and political science. He is now vice president of the college.

Doctor Prince married, August 3, 1869, Miss Ellen Sanderson, daughter of John P. and Ellen (Keyser) Sanderson. Her father, who died in 1864, was a colonel in the regular army, and during the Civil war for a time was assistant to Simon G. Cameron, secretary of war, and at the time of his death was provost marshal of Missouri. Doctor Prince lost his wife by death February 17, 1911. They have four children: Miss Gracella; Miss Flora; Walter M.; and Mabel, who is the wife of Dr. John C. Easton, a specialist of the eye, ear, nose and throat, and has two children, Ellen and Sarah.

Doctor Prince is a Phi Kappa Psi, member of the Ohio Archæological Society, the American Economic Association, National Geographic Society, was for many years president of the Clark County Historical Society, was editor of the book, "Centennial of Springfield," published in 1901, was editor of "Springfield and Clark County," published in 1922, and is a member of the American Historical Association. He is a Lutheran, a republican, and is president of the Springfield Building & Loan Company.

Harley L. Herrick. The value of public utilities to any community is unquestioned, in fact no place can lay claim to any measure of public spirit or progressiveness until it has had installed in its midst those adjuncts to a modern life. Galion is one of the smaller cities of Ohio which has recognized the fact and taken proper measures to provide for its citizens public utilities of a high class, and their proper operation is assured by the capability of the superintendence of them, Harley L. Herrick, a man exceptionally well qualified for his work, and one who has the welfare of the city at heart.

Harley L. Herrick was born at Newton Falls, Trumble County, Ohio, February 15, 1885, a son of Calvin L. and Nellie O. (Clark) Herrick. Calvin Herrick was born at Leroy, Ohio, in April, 1856, while his wife was born at Tallmadge, Ohio, in March of that same year. After their marriage they went to Akron, Ohio, where he became superintendent of

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the Thomas Lumber Company, and held that position for some years. Later he was with the Falls Lumber Company of Cuyahoga Falls for fifteen years, but is now living retired from active participation in any business affairs. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and has held an official position with it. Three of his sons are now living, namely: Harley L., whose name heads this review; Carlton C., who is assistant credit manager for the Kirk Lumber Company, Okron, Ohio; and Ford F., who is proprietor of the Akron Auto Break Service Garage of Akron, Ohio.

Harley L. Herrick was reared at Cuyahoga Falls, and attended its public schools through the high school course, and was graduated from the latter. He had been given special training in engineering, and for three years was in the experimental department of the International Harvester Company, following which he spent seven years in the employ of the State of Ohio as vocational instructor and three years as chief engineer at the Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home at Xenia. During the World war he was director of mechanics and engineering at Wilberforce University. Following the close of the war he returned to his work for the state, but April 1, 1922, came to Galion as superintendent of the public utilities of this city. While at Xenia, where his work for the state occupied him, he formed many connections, and was a vestryman of Christ Episcopal Church, and its treasurer. He is a Mason and has advanced in that order through the chapter and council, and also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is a democrat. An earnest, steadfast and capable man, Mr. Herrick has always faithfully discharged the duties involved in any position he has accepted, and is giving the people of Galion a splendid service and earning their confidence and respect.

THOMAS H. B. CLUTTER, M. D. For many years Dr. Thomas H. B. Clutter was one of the skilled and resourceful physicians and surgeons of Crestline and Crawford County, but he is now living in honorable retirement, feeling that he has earned his present leisure, for his labors were heavy and included service in a professional capacity during the late war, and he holds his honorable discharge from the medical service, which he prizes very highly. Doctor Clutter also has the distinction of having been the first man of his profession to volunteer in Crawford County.

Doctor Clutter was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, August 2, 1841, a son of John P. and Margaret (Andrews) Clutter, both of whom were born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, where they were reared, married and began their married life. The Clutters are Dutch, the forbears of the family having come to New York in 1635. The paternal great-grandfather of Doctor Clutter, John Clutter, served in the American Revolution, and crossed the Delaware River with General Washington on Christmas night and helped capture Trenton. His grandfather, John Clutter, was also in the Revolutionary army. The maternal grandfather was also a soldier of that mighty conflict. Soon after the Revolutionary war the Clutters and several families came to Washington County, Pennsylvania. This was before that section of the state was surveyed. John Clutter and wife, grandparents of Doctor Clutter, had the following children: Jacob, Abraham, Isaac, Joseph, Patterson, Christopher, Nancy, Abigail, Martha, Eunice, Lavina and Hannah. The Doctor's maternal grandparents had children as follows: John, William, James, Robert, Ruth and Deborah, twins; Anna and Margaret. The Doctor's brothers were James, Samuel, John and Robert.

Growing up on the farm occupied by his father and grandfather, Doctor Clutter attended the village schools and remained at home until in March, 1861, when he came to Crestline and entered a drug store, where he learned to be a pharmacist, and was engaged in that calling for six years. He then read medicine and was graduated from Starling Medical College in 1869, and entered at once upon the practice of his profession at Leesville. After nineteen years of practice at Leesville he came to Crestline and entered into partnership with Dr. C. W. Jenner, whom he later bought out, and for the subsequent thirty-five years practiced alone. Doctor Clutter was noted for his skill in obstectrical cases, and was the attending physician at the birth of over 3,300 babies.

Doctor Clutter married Joanna Day, who was a former schoolmate during childhood. She died without leaving children. He was married second to Ida Mapes, of Bucyrus, Ohio, who was born at Newcastle, Pennsylvania. She, too, died without issue. As his third wife Doctor Clutter married Margaret P. Jackson, who was born and reared at Crestline. Doctor Clutter belongs to Crestline Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Crestline Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which he was high priest for four years; Mansfield Commandery No. 21, Knights Templar, and he is also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner. He and his wife belong to the Eastern Star. Active as a democrat, he has served on the school board. When the First National Bank of Crestline was organized Doctor Clutter was one of the prime movers in this work, and he was one of its first directors. He is on record as one of the 100 persons who contributed $100 for the erection of the Masonic Home at Springfield, Ohio. Churches and benevolent institutions receive his generous support, and in every way possible he has aided in the advancement of his home city and county, and is properly recognized as one of the leading men of this region.

GEORGE REA, mechanical engineer of the Brocalsa Chemical Company at Pomeroy, has had a wide and extended experience in the industries of this section of Ohio, and for a number of years was connected with the river transportation interests.

His grandfather, Robert Rea, came from Scotland, was an expert tool maker, and he conducted a shop that made the tools used in drilling the first salt and oil wells in this section of Ohio. Robert Rea was a big hearted, liberal and high minded citizen, and though he made a fortune he gave most of it away, always taking care of some of those in need. He had a son, Robert, Jr., who was a Union soldier in an Ohio regiment. The Rea tool shop was located at Minersville in Meigs County.

David Rea, father of George Rea, worked in his father's shop for a number of years. Robert Rea died in 1872. David Rea finally gave up the tool making industry and turned his attention to coal mining. He retired about 1908, and died in June, 1923. He married Ida Williamson, who now lives at Minersville. Her father, Capt. George Williamson, was a noted river captain, in the early days making many trips to New Orleans with flat boats and subsequently owned and commanded steam boats on the river. David Rea and wife had the following children: Robert Edward, and Ohio River pilot living at Pittsburgh; George; Morgan; Ernest, who is foreman in the J. M. Crawford machine plant; Minnie, wife of E. G. Morgan, general manager of the Eaton Telephone Company at Eaton; and Ethel, wife of James Hood, a boat builder at Pomeroy.

George Rea was born at Minersville in 1882, attended his first school there, and subsequently, while in Pittsburgh, attended night school. His first

employment was in the coal mines operated by the Glendale Salt Works, and for three years his wages were only 40 cents a day. This money he used to buy his parents a home to live in. On going to Pittsburgh he worked in a rolling mill, then as stoker on steamboats, and finally became chief engineer on steamboats plying on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. Through all the years of his mature life Mr. Rea has been a student, and has acquired a liberal and technical education by courses with the International Correspondence Schools and the Alexander Hamilton Institute and he graduated in 1923 from the Hays School of Combustion. From the age of seventeen until 1912 he was connected with river transportation interests. In 1912 he became superintendent of the salt plant at Mason, West Virginia, being employed by the Ohio River Salt Company, and he came to Pomeroy as a mechanical engineer for the Brocalsa Chemical Company. The founder and president of the Brocalsa Chemical Company is Elmer Hyson Holmes.

Mr. Rea married Margaret Thomas, daughter of William H. and Anna Thomas. She died February 7, 1923, her death being mourned because of her character both in her home and as a worker in the community, particularly in church and Sunday school. Mr. and Mrs. Rea had two children, Margaretta, born in 1910, and George W., born in 1917. Mr. Rea is affiliated with the Masonic order and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Charles E. Trimble, M. D., one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Crawford County, has been established in the general practice of his profession at Crestline from the year of his graduation in Starling Medical College, which is now the medical department of the University of Ohio, at Columbus. In the passing years he has built up a large practice, and his able professional stewardship and sterling character mark him as one of the leading physicians of his home county.

Doctor Trimble was born on a farm in Richland County, Ohio, November 15, 1863, and is a son of James S. and Lucinda A. (Murphy) Trimble, both likewise natives of Richland County, where the former of whom was born February 2, 1826, and the latter on the 8th of November, 1825, dates showing the respective families were there founded in the pioneer days. The early education of James S. Trimble included a course in the academy at Ashland, and as a young man he did successful service as a teacher in the rural schools. After his marriage he established his home on a farm in Springfield Township, Richland County, and he continued as one of the representative farmers and substantial and honored citizens of his native county until his death, June 13, 1913, at the venerable age of eighty-seven years, his wife having passed away February 16, 1903, about four months prior to the seventy-eighth anniversary of her birth. Of the nine children only three are living at the time of this writing, in the spring of 1923, William L. being a representative farmer in the old home township of Springfield, Richland County; Dr. Charles E. being the immediate subject of this review; and Della being the wife of William Brook, a farmer in Springfield Township, Richland County.

The invigorating influences and discipline of the home farm compassed the boyhood and early youth of Dr. Charles E. Trimble, and in the meanwhile he profited by the advantages of the public schools of his native county. He advanced his education by a course in the Northwestern Ohio Normal University at Ada, and before initiating his preparation for his chosen profession he made an excellent record as a teacher in the district schools, principally in Richland County. His academic or literary education was supplemented by his attending Western Reserve University at Cleveland, and thereafter he was matriculated in Starling Medical College, Columbus, in which historic institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1890 and with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. In the same year he established his residence at Crestline, and here he has continued in the successful practice of his profession during the intervening years. He is an active and influential member of the Crawford County Medical Society, and is identified also with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Doctor Trimble is found loyally aligned in the ranks of the republican party, he and his wife hold membership in the Presbyterian Church, and in the time-honored Masonic fraternity he has received the Thirty-second Degree of the Scottish Rite, in the Consistory at Columbus. He is actively affiliated with the York Rite organizations, and has gained also the title of Noble in the Mystic Shrine, besides which he is an appreciative member of Bucyrus Lodge No. 156, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The Doctor is a liberal and progressive citizen, and in his home city is a stockholder in the Farmers & Citizens Bank and the Burth Plow Works, besides having other capitalistic investments.

February 22, 1888, recorded the marriage of Doctor Trimble and Miss Cora A. Condit, who likewise was born and reared in the old Buckeye State. Doctor and Mrs. Trimble have two children. Cecil is the wife of William F. Miller. Starling F., a graduate of the Crestline High School, as is also his sister, represented Ohio in the nation's military service in the World war period, and is now postmaster of Crestline.

Martin W. Miller maintains his home at Crestline, Crawford County, but still continues his active alliance with farm industry in this county.

Mr. Miller was born on the parental homestead farm in Sandusky Township, Richland County, Ohio, near Blooming Grove, and the date of his nativity was February 2, 1857. He is a son of Christopher and Elizabeth (Hirth) Miller, both natives of Germany, where the former was born February 10, 1835, and the latter on the 15th of March, 1834. Christopher Miller was a lad of seven years when he accompanied his parents on their immigration to the United States, and the family home was established, in 1842, on a pioneer farm two miles south of Blooming Grove, Richland County, where he was reared to maturity and where he passed the remainder of his useful and worthy life, a substantial representative of farm enterprise. His wife was a child when her parents came to this country and settled in Ohio, her marriage having been solemnized in Richland County, where her death occurred on the old home farm that was long the stage of earnest activities in supervising the household affairs and in carefully rearing her children. Both she and her husband were earnest members of the Reformed Church, and Mr. Miller was a democrat in political allegiance. Of the five children Martin W., of this review, is the eldest; Julia Ann is deceased; John is a prosperous farmer in Richland County; George is deceased; and Sarah, the wife of Charles Krepps, likewise is deceased.

Martin W. Miller has never had occasion to regret the sturdy and invigorating discipline that came to him in connection with the activities of the old home farm during the period of his boyhood and youth, and the experience proved of enduring value in connection with his later independent operations as an agriculturist and stock-grower. He profited fully by the advantages of the local schools, and supplemented this education by attending the Northwestern Ohio

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Normal University at Ada. He put his attainments to practical test by two terms of service as a successful teacher in the district schools, and after his marriage he was continuously engaged in active farm enterprise until 1915, when they left the farm and moved to Crestline, their present home. Mr. Miller still gives a general supervision to his fine farm estate of 235 acres, situated in Crawford and Richland counties. At Crestline he is a director of the Farmers & Citizens Bank, and a director of the Richland Equity & Mutual Fire Insurance Company at Shelby.

A staunch advocate and supporter of the principles of the democratic party, Mr. Miller has been influential in community affairs and has been called to various offices of public trust. While residing on his farm he served as justice of the peace, township treasurer, assessor and trustee, and was for fifteen consecutive years president of the school board of his district. He and his wife are active and zealous members of the Reformed Church.

As a young man Mr. Miller wedded Miss Emma Louisa Eichhorn, who was born in Jackson Township, Crawford County, on the 10th of April, 1862, a daughter of the late Frederick and Christena (Seiber) Eichhorn, her father having been born in Baden, Germany, June 15, 1815, and having long been one of the substantial farmers and highly respected citizens of Crawford County, Ohio. In conclusion is entered brief record concerning the children of Mr. and Mrs. Miller: Carl C. holds a clerical position in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; William F., a graduate of high school, taught three terms of district school, and he is now manager of the grain elevator at Crestline; Albert D., a machinist, was in overseas service with the American Expeditionary Forces in France in the late World war; Christena I. was graduated from high school and thereafter made an excellent record as a teacher in the public schools, she being now a stenographer in the Crestline offices of the Pennsylvania Railroad; Laura May is the wife of C. A. Whittaker; Howard remains at the parental home; and John C., now employed in the City of Cleveland, there attended the celebrated Case School of Applied Science, he having previously been graduated from high school.

Richard Holcker, senior member of the firm of R. & H. Holcker, which conducts one of the leading hardware establishments at Crestline, Crawford County, is one of the live business men and loyal and liberal citizens of this thriving little Ohio city, where through his own ability and well directed efforts he has achieved substantial success. He is a director in the First National Bank and the Crestline Building & Loan Association, and is a stockholder in the Burch Plow Works and other local concerns at Crestline.

Mr. Holcker was born in the fair province of Alsenz, Germany, October 26, 1866, and is a son of George and Elizabeth (Hübsch) Holcker, who continued their residence in their native land, where the father was a machinist by trade and vocation, until 1903. In that year they joined their sons at Crestline, Ohio, where they passed the remainder of their lives, both having been earnest members of the Reformed Church. Of the ten children only one is deceased, and of the survivors all are residents of the United States, except Hugo, who remains in his native land.

Richard Holcker attended school in his native province until he was fourteen years of age, when he entered upon an apprenticeship to the machinist's trade, in which he became a skilled workman. In 1887, shortly after attaining to his legal majority, he came to the United States, and in view of the abundant success that has attended him since he established his residence in Ohio it is interesting to record that he was compelled to borrow ten dollars to partly defray his expenses in making the trip from New York City to Crestline. Here he was employed in a machine shop for six years, and he and his brother Herman then purchased a small stock of hardware and engaged independently in business. In 1913 they erected the modern building in which their now large and well ordered hardware business is conducted, and they are numbered among the popular and representative business men of their adopted city.

Richard Holcker has proved a most loyal and appreciative American citizen, and in politics he maintains an independent attitude, his support being given to men and measures meeting the approval of his judgment. His wife is an active member of the Reformed Church at Crestline, and he contributes liberally to its support. Mrs. Holcker, whose maiden name was Catherine Gehrisch, was born in Germany, in 1873, and was a young woman when she came to the United States and established her residence in Crestline, where her marriage was solemnized. Mr. and Mrs. Holcker have three children, all of whom are (1923) attending the public schools of Crestline, namely: Frederick, Magdalene and Hugo.

Joseph T. Micklethwait, before taking up the practice of the law, completed a very thorough and careful education, and his mental equipment, his great energy and natural qualifications have brought him a place of eminence as an attorney of Southern Ohio. His home is at Portsmouth, and as a corporation lawyer he has few peers in this part of the state.

Mr. Micklethwait was born at Portsmouth, February 5, 1879, son of William R. and Abigail (Dever) Micklethwait. His grandfather, Joseph Micklethwait, came to the United States about 1830, possibly as early as 1828, and was a pioneer in Ohio. He married Barbara Funk, a native of Ohio and member of an old Revolutionary family. One of her ancestors was in the troops when Washington reviewed them at the close of the war for independence. Her father, Martin Funk, married Elizabeth Studebaker. Joseph T. Micklethwait's maternal grandfather was William Dever, who married Louisa McDowell. The Devers have been long identified with with this section of Ohio. William R. Micklethwait and wife are both living. He is a retired farmer and dairyman, and for many years was one of the most substantial men of Scioto County. He served as treasurer of Clay Township, and for over fifty years was an active member and also on the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Joseph T. Micklethwait spent his boyhood on his father's place in the country in Clay Township, land that is now included in the city limits of Portsmouth. He attended the district school there and afterwards the Portsmouth High School. He left before graduating and then took the full commercial course in the Portsmouth Business College, graduating in 1896. Following that came three years of study in the Ohio University of Athens, and he took his law course in Western Reserve University at Cleveland. He was graduated Bachelor of Laws in June, 1903, and by examination was admitted to the bar on the 11th of June and at once opened his office at Portsmouth. While Mr. Micklethwait for some years engaged in general practice, his time and abilities have been more and more centered on corporation law, and he has the reputation of doing more in that line than any other attorney in Scioto County. He is a

recognized expert in organization, reorganization and capitalization phases of corporation practice. Mr. Micklethwait has also done his share of official work in connection with his profession. He was prosecuting attorney of Scioto County from 1914 to 1918, and during the war period was legal adviser for the draft board, a four minute speaker and assisted in all the patriotic campaigns.

December 27, 1914, at Dubois, Pennsylvania, Mr. Micklethwait married Miss Virginia Hildinger, daughter of John and Jennie (Trip) Hildinger, both now deceased. Her father was a commission merchant at McKeesport, Pennsylvania, was a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner and active in the Lutheran Church. Mr. Micklethwait is a member of the Scioto County Bar Association, and is a Royal Arch, Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason. In politics he is a republican.

MARCELLUS N. ROBERTS. From almost pioneer times until the present the name Roberts has been prominently identified with the agricultural industry in Crawford County. As a family they have been noted for large land holdings and extensive operations as cultivators of the soil and raisers and dealers in live stock.

One of the family is Marcellus N. Roberts, now a retired resident of Bucyrus, with home at 570 South Walnut Street. He was born on his father's farm in Dallas Township of Crawford County, May 9, 1866, son of Wesley and Elizabeth (Newson) Roberts. His mother was a native of Morrow County, Ohio. His father, born in Pennsylvania, came to Crawford County when a child with his parents, the family locating in Whetstone Township. He was reared there, and out of his individual industry and energy became one of the largest land holders in this section of the state, having at one time 2,000 acres. He used the land largely as a basis for live stock operation. Wesley Roberts died in 1904, surviving his wife several years. He was a republican in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Of his six children four are living: Charles, a garage proprietor at Bucyrus; William A., a farmer living at Bucyrus; Marcellus N.; and Ida, wife of Harry Keil, of Cleveland.

Marcellus N. Roberts spent many years of his life at the old homestead in Dallas Township. As a boy he attended the common schools of that locality and was actively associated with his father for many years. Finally his father divided his estate, giving each child a farm, and Mr. Roberts thus became established independently as a farmer and stock man. He carried on extensive operations for a number of years as a buyer and shipper of live stock. He still owns two farms, one of eighty acres in Dallas Township, and one of 100 acres in Marion County. He is a stockholder in the Farmers and Citizens Bank at Bucyrus.

Mr. Roberts' first wife was Adeline Wise, who died after they had been married about fifteen years. In 1907 he married Miss Bertha Worick, a native of Whetstone Township, Crawford County, and daughter of John Worick. Mrs. Roberts is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics he has always voted as a republican.

HENRY E. BORMUTH, who is successfully engaged in the general contracting business at Crestline, Crawford County, is one of the substantial business men and popular citizens of his native city and county, he having formerly been a valued member of the board of county commissioners.

Mr. Bormuth was born at Crestline July 13, 1865, and is the elder of the two surviving members of a family of three children, his sister, Mary, being the wife of James Franklin, a prosperous farmer in Jackson Township, this county. Mr. Bormuth is a son of George and Barbara (Arnold) Bormuth, both of whom were born and reared in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, where their marriage was solemnized. George Bormuth was born in the year 1832, and in his native province he secured his early education and also learned the trade of cooper. He was about eighteen years of age when he came to the United States, in the early '50s, and established his residence at Crestline, where his young wife joined him about three years later. He here continued to be employed as a section foreman on the Pennsylvania Railroad until 1880, and thereafter he was successfully established in the hotel business at Crestline, where he and his wife continued to reside until their death, both having been earnest communicants of the German Lutheran Church and his political support having been given to the democratic party.

The public schools of Crawford County were the medium through which Henry E. Bormuth acquired his youthful education, and in the meanwhile he gained practical experience in farm enterprise in Jackson Township. At the age of eighteen years he initiated an apprenticeship to the barber's trade, and eventually he owned and successfully conducted a barber shop at Crestline. Later he found a broader field of enterprise by engaging in the general contracting business, of which he has long been a prominent and successful representative in his native county.

Mr. Bormuth has been active in the local councils and campaign affairs of the democratic party, and he served as a member of the board of county commissioners from 1909 to 1913. He is a member of the board of education at Crestline, and as a member of the waterworks board of the municipal government he was for a number of years superintendent of the local water plant and system. In connection with his contracting business he is a manufacturer of grave vaults of cement construction. He is a director of the Weaver Brothers Company, which owns and operates a grain elevator at Crestline, is a director of Crestline Publishing Company, is president of the Crestline Floral Company, and a director in the Schill Brothers Company, besides being a stockholder in the First National Bank of Crestline. Mr. Bormuth is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Maccabees and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He and his wife are active members of the German Reformed Church in their home city.

The year 1887 recorded the marriage of Mr. Bormuth and Miss Margaret L. Frick, and the children of this union are three in number: Ivan E., associated with his father in the contracting business; Miss Louise who graduated as a nurse in the Gant Hospital at Columbus, Ohio, and is now on the public-health staff of nurses in Cleveland; and Henry W., who resides at Crestline and is with the National Cash Register Company.

LEONARD L. SUTTON. The banking interests of a community are necessarily among the most important, for financial stability must be the foundation stone upon which all reliable enterprises are erected. The men who control and conserve the money of a community must possess qualities beyond the ordinary. Public confidence must be with them, and they must use sagacity and foresight in their operations. A citizen who has been connected with the banking interests of Attica, Ohio, for some years, and who has done much in the effective upbuilding

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of this community along additional lines is Leonard L. Sutton, president of the Sutton State Bank.

Mr. Sutton was born in Reed Township, Seneca County, Ohio, December 5, 1863, and is a son of Lester and Emmeline (Rundell) Sutton. Mrs. Lester Sutton, who was born March 10, 1835, died February 7, 1901. Lester Sutton was born at Hornellsville, New York, July 13, 1836, was educated primarily in the public schools of his native place, and at the age of seventeen years came to Republic, Ohio, where he attended the Republic Academy. He became a teacher in the public schools, and while thus engaged became a student of law. After studying for a time under the preceptorship of Col. Leander Stein he was admitted to the bar in 1865 and opened an office at Attica, where he continued in a successful practice until his death, May 20, 1909. In 1878 Mr. Sutton established a private bank, originally known as the Lester Sutton Banking House. In 1903 he admitted his two sons, the name of the institution at that time being changed to Lester Sutton & Sons, bankers. This style continued until February 12, 1915, when it became the Sutton State Bank, with the following officers: Leonard L. Sutton, president; John Schottler, vice president; Charles C. Sutton, cashier, and the board of directors includes the above three gentlemen, with W. L. Fritz and C. M. Link. The capital stock is $40,000.

Leonard L. Sutton received his early education in the public schools of Attica, and this was supplemented by a course at Denison University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts as a member of the class of 1889. He was then variously employed until 1903, at which time he became identified with the bank, and in 1915 was elected its president, when it secured a state charter. This is one of the sound and reliable institutions of Seneca County and bears an excellent reputation.

On June 26, 1895, Mr. Sutton was united in marriage with Miss Gertrude Wilhelm, who was reared on a farm in Seneca County, and to this union there have been born three sons: John H., a graduate of Denison University, Doctor of Philosophy, had a second lieutenant's commission during the World war, and now resides at Dayton, Ohio. Corwin, a graduate of the same university with the same degree, is now located at Attica; Russell is completing his education at Denison University. Mr. and Mrs. Sutton and their sons are members of the Baptist Church. Mr. Sutton is a past master of Attica Lodge No. 367, Free and Accepted Masons and belongs to the chapter at Willard, Ohio, and the council at Tiffin, this state. He is a republican in his political attitude.

Christian M. Link. A creditable utilization of opportunity is found in the success of Christian M. Link, who for a number of years has been engaged in business at Attica, Seneca County, as a buyer and shipper of livestock and hay, and of whom it may be freely said is the architect of his own fortunes. A man of sound judgment and reliability, he has also served his community ably in public office, and for the past twenty-years has been treasurer of Venice Township.

Mr. Link was born on a farm in Seneca County, September 26, 1864, and is a son of J. W. and Mary A. (Friedley) Link. His father was born on shipboard on the Atlantic Ocean, five days before the ship made port at New York City, whence his parents, natives of Wurttemberg, Germany, came to Columbiana County, Ohio. The family resided there for a time, and the grandfather continued farming until his death, which occurred when his son J. W. was five years of age. He left his widow with a farm of 240 acres, located principally in the woods, and not entirely paid for. She, with the help of her family, cleared the land of timber and debt. J. W. Link remained on the home place, and when he came of age received 100 acres of the land. He took his mother to live with him, and she resided at his home until her demise. J. W. and Mary (Friedley) Link were the parents of seven children, of whom five are living in 1923: J. J., who is an agriculturist of Venice Township, Seneca County; Christian M.; Sarah, the wife of William Stall, of Scipio Township, Seneca County; Ella, the wife of Samuel D. Smetz, of Huron County, this state; and Amanda, the wife of E. T. Smetz, of Newport, Oregon.

Christian M. Link was reared on the home farm and as a lad attended the district schools of the home community and the public school at Ada, Ohio. While working on the farm during the summer months he taught school for six winters, and then returned to Ada and took a commercial course, graduating as the second best scholar in a large class. At that time he established himself in the creamery and cold storage business at Attica, but disposed of his interests therein shortly afterward, and for the next two years devoted himself exclusively to agricultural pursuits. Returning then to Attica, he founded his present business, as a buyer and shipper of livestock and hay, in which he has achieved a large and well-merited success. Mr. Link holds an interest in 430 acres of valuable land in the vicinity of his home and owns two business blocks at Attica. He is likewise a member of the board of directors of the Sutton State Bank of that place. A democrat in politics, he takes an active interest in public affairs, and for twenty years has been treasurer of Venice Township. Fraternally he is affiliated with Willard Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

On March 26, 1893, Mr. Link married Miss Malinda J. Hiser, of Crawford County, Ohio, and to this union there have been born five children: George W., a graduate of the Attica High School, is now associated with his father in business. He served twenty-one and one-half months in the motor supply department during the World war, saw thirteen months of service in France, and returned with the rank of corporal. Hobart K., a graduate of high school, is also associated with his father in business. He served in the Aviation Corps during the World war, and on his return married Miss Garland Pankhast. Ivettie A., a graduate of high school, taught school for three winters, and is now the wife of Dowe S. Armitage; Mary, a graduate of high school, is now attending Heidelberg University, at Tiffin, and Doris, who graduated from high school is also attending Heidelberg University.

Ernst Fred Maag, M. D., is an accomplished physician and surgeon at Middleport, Meigs County. He was born in Meigs County, earned his way through university and medical school, and had a broad and thorough hospital training and experience before engaging in private practice.

Doctor Maag was born at Minersville, Meigs County, April 13, 1893, son of John Jacob and Margaret (Herrmann) Maag. His parents came from Switzerland to the United States and located in Meigs County during the '80s. His father had received considerable training as a chemical engineer in Switzerland, and in this country he used his technical knowledge to advantage in salt plants. For a number of years he was with the John E. Williams salt plant and subsequently at chemical plants at Mason City, West Virginia, and with the Koehler Salt Company at Pomeroy. He served twelve years as president of the board of education of Minersville district, and he and his wife were members of the German Evangelical Church. He died in December,

1919, at the age of seventy-eight, less than a month after the death of his wife, who passed away when seventy years of age. All of their nine children are still living, the sons being: John, at Minersville; Ernst Fred; Theodore, of Minersville; and Clinton.

Doctor Maag attended the common schools at Minersville to the fifth grade, graduated from the Pomeroy High School in 1912, at the age of nineteen, and in the same year moved to Columbus, where he went to work as night timekeeper for the Buckeye Steel Castings Company. He was with that industry two years and then for a period sold aluminum cooking ware. Having saved a fund of about $350, he entered Ohio State University as a student in 1914, and paid all his expenses while in the university. He graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree, and in 1920 received his degree in medicine. Doctor Maag had a year of hospital work in Saint Luke's Hospital at Cleveland, and then spent a year in the United States Government Hospital in Panama, returning to this country by way of San Francisco. He first opened his office at Cheshire in Gallia County, but after a few months removed to Middleport, where he has an extensive private practice. During the World war he was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps.

Doctor Maag married, August 17, 1918, Miss Aubrey Hart, daughter of Dr. W. S. Hart, of Pomeroy. They are members of the Church of Christ and he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

Amos Keller, of Bucyrus, judicial center of Crawford County, is a native son of this county, and in the varied relations of a signally useful career he has proved distinctively a man of thought and action. He has served both as deputy sheriff and judge of probate of Crawford County, gave nearly a score of years to effective service as a teacher in the public schools of Ohio, and has been a power in Ohio politics. Judge Keller, a son of the late Philip and Hannah (Stocker) Keller, showed marked ambition and perspicacity in his studies while attending the public schools, and his advancement in scholarship was rapid and substantial. He finally completed a course along scientific lines under the preceptorship of Professor Churchill of Oberlin College. By the time he was nineteen years of age he had solved virtually every mathematical problem pertinent to the curriculum of the district schools, and as a loyal and efficient teacher in the public schools he devoted nineteen years to the work of the pedagogic profession, in the meantime giving close attention to the study of law and making himself eligible for the legal profession. Judge Keller early became deeply interested in the problems touching the relations of capital and labor, gave to this subject prolonged and careful study, and finally became an active and effective worker in the councils of the labor party, under the organization of Hon. T. V. Powderly. In 1894 he was chosen a candidate for the United States Congress on the Ohio ticket of the people's party, and, while he failed of election, as he had fully anticipated, he made a splendid campaign, developed much strength in the field and gained a gratifying support at the polls. The judge became a great admirer of Hon. William J. Bryan, and in the national campaigns of 1896 and 1900 he was a most vigorous and influential speaker in behalf of the presidential candidacy of the "Great Commoner," nominee of the democratic party. On the 2d of January, 1911, Judge Keller was appointed deputy sheriff of Crawford County, and of this office he continued the incumbent until he assumed that of judge of the Probate Court of the county, a position to which he was elected February 9, 1913, and of which he continued the incumbent until February 8, 1921, his administration having been characteristically careful and efficient.

Judge Keller was one of the five men who organized the Farmers & Citizens Bank & Savings Company of Bucyrus, and of this institution he is first vice president and serving on the executive committee of its board of directors. He is a director of the Mead Utilities Service Company and president of the Western Power Company at Bucyrus, is a member of the Farm Bureau of Crawford County, and is the owner of valuable farm property in this county—eighty acres in Sandusky Township and an equal acreage in Liberty Township. The judge and his wife are zealous and valued members of St. John's Reformed Church in their home city, and he has served as an elder in the same. He is affiliated with the local aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

October 30, 1895, recorded the marriage of Judge Keller and Miss Hattie M. Carrothers, who was born and reared in Crawford County and is a daughter of James B. Carrothers. Of the four children of this union the eldest is Miss Constance R., who was born February 18, 1897. She was graduated from the Bucyrus High School as a member of the class of 1913, attended the law department of Ohio State University and is a now practicing her profession in Bucyrus. John C., born July 20, 1898, was graduated from the Bucyrus High School, and is now manager of one of his father's farms. Robert W., born January 31, 1900, is employed at the steel mills in Mansfield. James P., born June 7, 1909, is attending the Sulphur Springs Consolidated High School.

William A. Adams, who is now engaged in the bakery business at Portsmouth, Ohio, was born in Greenup County, Kentucky, on August 13, 1884, and is the son of David and Mary Jane (Willis) Adams, both of whom during their lives were prominent reputable and dignified citizens and desirable and agreeable neighbors. The father is now deceased, but the mother is yet alive. She is a native of Kentucky, and received a good education and superior training during her girlhood. Her father, William Willis, served in the Union army during the Civil war, was in actual service for two full years, and participated in many notable army movements and campaigns. While stationed at Memphis, Tennessee, he was taken with typhoid fever, and died on the field. He was unusually well educated and was a teacher in the public schools the greater portion of his adult life. He possessed striking mental and moral qualities and inspirations, and was always conspicuous wherever he went.

David Adams, father of William A., was an elaborate and conspicuous farmer and agriculturist, and was a master of the proper management of the farm and the live stock. He was born in Kentucky, and resided there during the greater portion of his useful life. His father, John W. Adams, was a native of North Carolina, and was there reared and educated. He finally moved to Greenup County, Kentucky, and there passed the remainder of his life. He likewise was a prosperous and successful farmer and stock raiser, and was a superior citizen and a courteous neighbor. His wife was formerly Amy Hood, daughter of Andrew Hood.

William A. Adams, subject of this chronicle, grew to maturity on the farm of his father, and in youth learned how to properly raise healthy live stock and large crops of grain and grass. At the same time he received a good education in the neighboring schools of the district. This schooling however, was merely a preliminary step to his subsequent elaborate reading and study. Soon after completing his district schooling at home he entered Berea College,

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Kentucky, took the complete course in the general curriculum and was finally graduated with high merit in the class of 1913 with the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy. Being thus notably fitted for teaching and instructing, he began his schooling duties at once on a much more efficient scale than he had previously pursued before he had gone to college. In order to secure means for his college expenses he had begun to teach in the country or district schools as soon as he could secure a teacher's certificate, and while thus teaching greatly improved his meager education as a boy by steady reading and study of books and newspapers. This study fitted him so that he was able to pass the examination of college entrance and the money earned enabled him to pay his college expenses. In all he taught for about fourteen years, largely at Booneville and Russell, and for four years in Berea College.

He finally entered the government service as an industrial agent during the World war, and a little later engaged in the bakery business, and is thus occupied at the present time. He has a large establishment, and his products, particularly his bread, are appreciated by the inhabitants of the town. In October, 1908, at Hopewell, Kentucky, he married Mary Jane Curry, daughter of Henry and Emma (Riffe) Curry, both of whom were natives and residents of that state. Her mother is living, but the father is deceased. Henry Curry, grandfather of Mary Jane, came from Scotland to America in early times and settled in Virginia, and there reared his family. He was a renowned minister of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Adams and wife have three children: Kathleen, Ormand and Emma Louise, all at home and in school. The parents are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Frederick August Ruhlman is president and general manager of the Standard Supply Company, one of the largest wholesale establishments of the City of Portsmouth. Mr. Ruhlman became head of this prosperous business at the age of twenty-eight years, and in his progress he has had many obstacles and disadvantages to overcome.

He was born at Portsmouth, Scioto County, February 21, 1882, son of Phillip and Amelia (Goetz) Ruhlman, both now deceased. His grandfather, Frederick F. Ruhlman, came from Germany to the United States about 1842, landing at Philadelphia. He reached this country poor in purse and without knowledge of language or people, but his enterprise and industry opened opportunities for him. He went to Missouri and acquired a tract of land, including a portion of the present site of Jefferson City, the state capital of Missouri. Subsequently he sold this land for a small sum, and then located at Portsmouth, Ohio, where he lived until his death in 1897 at the age of seventy-seven. Phillip Ruhlman, father of Frederick A., was also born in Portsmouth, and as a young man he followed the cigar maker's trade at Delaware, Ohio. While there he met and married Amelia Goetz, who had come from Germany to the United States at the age of seventeen. She came over in a sailing vessel, requiring twenty-seven days to make the trip. After his marriage Phillip Ruhlman moved back to Portsmouth and worked in the Gaylord Rolling Mill, subsequently became a coal merchant, and finally engaged in the dairy business. Phillip Ruhlman and wife had five children, four sons and one daughter: Robert Charles, who lives at Portsmouth and married Kate Bauer; Frederick A.; Elmer O., who is unmarried; Walter E., who married Rose Johnson; and Ida, wife of Peter W. Petry, of Portsmouth.

Frederick August Ruhlman was reared in Scioto County, attended country schools there, but gave up formal schooling when he was fourteen years of age. When he was about twelve years old he had the great misfortune to lose his left leg above the knee, and his achievements are the more creditable because of of the handicap thus imposed upon him. After leaving school he made whetstones for a time, and subsequently was an employe in the Selby Shoe Company factory until 1904. In that year he engaged on a modest scale in the plumbing business, and he has developed that into a general supply business. The Standard Supply Company was organized and incorporated by him in 1910, and he has since been its president. This company is a wholesale and jobbing house, handling all plumbing supplies, pipes, mill supplies for saw and flour mills, pumps and an extensive line of electrical supplies.

Mr. Ruhlman married at Portsmouth, September 15, 1903, Vida Allen, daughter of Isaac Allen. Her mother was Julia Irvin. Isaac Allen was a soldier in the Civil war, and for many years was a substantial farmer of Scioto County. Mr. and Mrs. Ruhlman have one daughter Julia Pauline, now attending high school. The family are members of the Bigelow Methodist Episcopal Church, and he is a member of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the United Commercial Travelers, the Country Club and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

James Williams is one of the interesting representatives of the coal mining industry of Southeastern Ohio, and is a man who has made his way through every branch of the service to the official responsibility of mine superintendent. His home is in Athens, and his official duties are superintendent of Mine No. 211 for the Ohio Collieries Company at Poston in Athens County.

He was born near New Straightsville, Perry County, Ohio, January 15, 1884, son of David H. and Mary Ann (Johnson) Williams. His father was likewise a coal miner, was born at Oak Hill, and went into the coal mines at the age of twelve and held every possible position up to that of general superintendent. He worked in various mines and for various corporations, including the Sanday Creek Coal Company, where he remained for about twelve years. On July 15, 1899, he was appointed mine inspector for the second district, embracing mines located in Athens, Gallia, Meigs, Lawrence and Washington counties, by Governor Asa S. Bushnell. He was reappointed to this position by Governor George K. Nash, July 15, 1901, and again reappointed by Governor Myron T. Herrick, July 16, 1904. For a period of two years he was with the Ohio Collieries Company, with headquarters at Glouster in Athens County, and was general superintendent for that company when he died in 1918. He was a staunch republican in politics. His wife died in 1903, and they were the parents of two sons and two daughters. The other son, David, is a resident of Pennsylvania.

James Williams attended school at Glouster, and when thirteen went to work in the mines as a slate loader. He acted as driver in Mine No. 256, at Glouster, and then followed a series of employment that made him experienced in everything connected with the underground and outside operation of a coal mine. In October, 1917, he was made superintendent of Mine No. 209, and remained there during the war period. In September, 1921, he was made superintendent of Mine No. 211, and has been the responsible man in charge of the operations of that mine ever since.

In 1905 Mr. Williams married Miss Grace Vernon, daughter of Charles Vernon, of Glouster. They are the parents of two children, Floyd James and Maxine Elizabeth. Mrs. Williams is a member of the Metho-

dist Church. Mr. Williams is affiliated with the Masonic fraternities.

ALBERT JOHN REITZ. For more than half a century the name Reitz has been prominently identified with the industrial interests of Portsmouth and Scioto County. The pioneer institution for cutting and dressing building stone was started by the late Ignatius Reitz at Portsmouth. Several of his sons have followed him in industrial lines, and one of them, Albert John Reitz, is president of the Reitz Brothers Company, one of the largest concerns in Southern Ohio manufacturing interior wood work.

Ignatius Reitz was born at Hanau, near Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, February 4, 1845, a son of John and Amelia (Weber) Reitz. In 1847 the family came to America and first settled near Chillicothe, Ohio, and later moved to Scioto County. John Reitz was a stone cutter by trade and was born in 1812. Amelia Weaver, whose name in German was spelled Weber, was also a native of Hanau. Ignatius Reitz was one of three children, his two sisters being Mrs. Adolph Hurth and Mrs. Joseph Vollmer of Portsmouth. The family landed at Baltimore, and having sons in Ohio, they came on to this state. John Reitz died at Portsmouth in 1866, and his wife, in 1899. Ignatius Reitz was educated in the public schools of Portsmouth and in St. Mary's parochial schools. When he was fourteen he began learning the stone cutter's trade with his father. In 1865 John Reitz built the first mill at Portsmouth for sawing stone, the plant being at Second and Massie streets. Ignatius Reitz succeeded to the business on his father's death, and was a stone quarryman and contractor the rest of his life. The plant was finally burned in 1909. The Reitz Stone Quarries were located at Carey's Run, four miles from Portsmouth. At one time Ignatius Reitz employed seventy-five men in his quarry, thirty men in the stone cutting mill, and had fifteen teams and corresponding equipment. The mill was equipped with eleven gangs of saws, and it operated day and night, cutting 1,000 cubic feet every day. Immense quantities of stone for building and paving purposes were cut and shipped to all parts of the country. Ignatius Reitz incorporated the business in May, 1892, as the Reitz Stone Company and continued as its president.

Ignatius Reitz was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and for many years served on the city board of health and the board of equalization. On June 9, 1874, he married Mary A. Balmert, daughter of Simon and Elizabeth (Hauk) Balmert, They were also natives of Germany, of Hesse-Darmstadt. Mrs. Mary (Balmert) Reitz is still living. She became the mother of the following children: Albert J., Eleanor, Simon P., Mary Amelia, Antoinette, Cecilia, John and George.

Albert John Reitz was born at Portsmouth, May 26, 1875, being the oldest son and child of his parents. Until he was fourteen years of age he attended the Portsmouth grade schools, and then went to work in his father's stone business. He was active in this industry until the plant was destroyed in 1909. He then turned his attention to the building material business and lumber manufacture, and in 1913 formed the Reitz Brothers Company, handling building material. The brothers bought the plant of the River City Lumber Company, and have mills for planing and the manufacture of all kinds of interior wood work, including sash and doors. It is one of the most complete plants of its kind in Southern Ohio. The three brothers comprising the Reitz Brothers Company are, Albert J., president and general manager, Simon Peter and George M. Simon owns and gives his personal attention to the Cambria Clay Products Company. George is active with his brother Albert in the business.

Albert J. Reitz married at Portsmouth, January 12, 1898, Miss Clara Isabell Legler, daughter of Frederick and Elizabeth (Eck) Legler. Her parents are now deceased. Her mother came from Germany when she was seven years old. Her father, who died in 1880, was in the hotel business at Portsmouth. Mr. and Mrs. Reitz have one son, Charles Albert, a student in the Portsmouth High School. The family are members of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and Mr. Reitz is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Portsmouth Country Club, the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce and the old Colony Club of New York City.

GEORGE A. KAH. The largest and most complete plant in Southern Ohio for commercial printing, binding, engraving and all departments of the printing industry is the Kah-Patterson Printing and Lithograph Company of Portsmouth. The president of this notable industry is Mr. George A. Kah, himself a veteran printer, who served his apprenticeship at Portsmouth and has been identified with practically every branch of the business during an experience of over forty years.

Mr. Kah was born at Portsmouth, November 20, 1866, son of Mathias and Katherine (Cleis) Kah. His father was born at Lichtenau, Germany, and was thirteen years old when his parents came to America and settled in the eastern states. Mathias Kah learned the trade of coppersmith, was an expert in that field, and eventually took up the sheet metal industry at Portsmouth. He continued active in business until advanced years, and passed away at the age of eighty years. His wife, Katherine Cleis, was born in Alsace-Lorraine, and is also deceased.

George A. Kah had a common school education, attending the public schools of Portsmouth until he was fourteen. His long experience in the printing business was the university for his higher education and broad culture. For ten years he was a printer and in other departments of the German newspaper plant known as the Portsmouth Correspondent. Later, associated with Carl Huber, he published a weekly newspaper and carried on a general printing business. Finally he and his brother John E. took over the printing plant and in 1898 organized the G. & A. Kah Printing and Stationery Company. Subsequently this was known as the Kah Printing Works. In 1907 they bought the Patterson Printing & Book Bindery Company, one of the oldest establishments of the kind in the state. Since then the business has been known as the Kah-Patterson Printing & Lithograph Company, the merger of the two plants making a business of unexcelled facilities. They have handled some of the very largest printing contracts, and their business territory is all of Southern Ohio and several adjoining states. The Kah Brothers and their nephew, Oscar F. Kah, control the business, George A. Kah being the president of the company.

In April, 1895, at Portsmouth, Mr. Kah married Miss Emelie Brombacher, daughter of Charles M. and Marie Brombacher. Mr. and Mrs. Kah are members of the First Evangelical Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic and Knights of Pythias lodges, and is a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Country Club. For years he has been a leader in the musical affairs at Portsmouth. In 1889 he organized the River City Band, and under his leadership and business management this has achieved the reputation of being the finest band in Ohio. He was also for a time leader of the Grotto Band.

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Carl W. Windel, now one of the active and promising business men of Portsmouth, was born on the 27th of February, 1898, the son of Charles and Annie (Werner) Windel. The father is deceased, but the mother is yet living and enjoying the hope and sunshine of existence. The father received a fair education in youth, and soon after attaining his majority started in business as a traveling salesman for the B. Augustine Wholesale Grocery, and continued with them for some time, learning all the details and routine of the business. This experience gave him the right start. Later he became connected with the Gilbert Grocery Company, and was with them for a period of twenty-two years. His long association with the same firm, and its steadily advancing prosperity and success, are satisfactory proof of his capacity for traveling salesmanship and his ability to meet competition and the fluctuations of trade waves and billows. He covered a large scope of country and was able, through square treatment, to retain his old customers and to steadily add on new ones until the firm for which he worked fully appreciated his sagacity and expanded its operations to many side branches. Charles Windel remained with them until his demise. The father of Charles was Carl, and his mother was Louise Christopher. All distinguished themselves as sound and reputable citizens, and all contributed their shares to our civilization.

Annie Werner was the daughter of John Werner, whose wife was formerly Annie Marie Pfaff. John Werner and wife grew to maturity in Germany, of which country they were natives, and in 1862 immigrated to America from Wurttemberg, in spite of the Civil war then raging in this republic. In the old country two children were born to this union, but both died before their parents came over. After their arrival here they became the parents of ten more children, of whom Annie was one to reach middle age. The Werner family was one of the early groups to come to Portsmouth, and here established their permanent home. Ere long they were the owners of much valuable real estate and other property where the city now stands. Here they have built up a reputation both conspicuous and enviable, until at this day Annie shines forth as one of the noteworthy and superior residents. Her commendable pride in her ancestry and in her own exemplary life places her among the leaders in courteous and dignified social, domestic and civic circles. And she takes pardonable pride in the career of her son, the subject of this narrative, who, though comparatively young, is rapidly rising in the tide of our turbulent sea of civilization.

Carl W. Windel received his early educational training in the public schools of Portsmouth, and later finished with much credit in the local high schools. This he deemed sufficient for his business career, and accordingly entered into the automobile business, even for some time before he left the high school. In 1915 he secured an agency for several excellent cars, but it was not until two years later that he left school and began to devote his whole time and attention to the automobile business. Soon he had a large and rapidly growing trade. Then the World war burst forth and he was called to the service of liberty and Uncle Sam. He answered the call in dead earnest. He sold out, but by being thus forced to do so lost in round numbers about $8,000, and at once enlisted.

Soon he was again engaged with great activity and determination to succeed in the automobile business, and since that date has advanced rapidly in all branches of that occupation until he now conducts one of the best plants in the city. He is the owner of an excellent garage and repair shop, situated in a central spot, and is prepared to perform any required automobile adjustments or repairs. He now handles the Franklin, Gray and Moon cars, and at this day the cars he has sold may be seen all over the city and this part of the state. He carries a large stock of accessories, and is surely a live wire in the automobile business. He is still single and resides with his distinguished mother, and takes the same pride in being her son as she does in being his mother. They are adherents of the Evangelical Church on Fiftieth Street. He is a Mason—Knight Templar, Scottish Rite, Shriner and a member of the Grotto. He is also a member of the Elks Lodge and of the Chamber of Commerce.

Annie Windel was the first child of her parents to be born in this country. The other were: Martin; John, who is in the grocery business in Portsmouth; Marie; William, who is also in the grocery business here; Jacob and Charles.

Russell K. Ramsey is a member of the law firm of King, Ramsey, Flynn and Pyle of Sandusky, and vice president and treasurer of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company, large manufacturers of corrugated fibre shipping boxes and packing materials, with general offices at Sandusky, Ohio. Mr. Ramsey is not only a native of Ohio and a representative of families whose names have been associated with Ohio's development, but is also descended from ancestors who served in the War of the Revolution.

Russell K. Ramsey was born in the City of Columbus, Ohio, May 27, 1878, and is a son of Gustavus F. and Margaret A. (Young) Ramsey, both natives of this state. Gustavus F. Ramsey is a great-grandson of Alexander Ramsey, who was of Scotch ancestry, a soldier in the Continental line in the War of the Revolution, and was engaged in the battle of Bunker Hill. He is a son of the late Albert and Sophia (Romine) Ramsey. Sophia (Romine) Ramsey was the granddaughter of James Sinclair, who served with the Virginia forces during the Revolution. Gustavus F. Ramsey was forty-five years with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and is now living retired in the City of Columbus. His wife, whose death occurred April 7, 1924, was born and reared in Ohio's capital city, and was a daughter of William H. and Maria (Biddle) Young, the former a native of Virginia and the latter of North Radnershire, Wales. William H. was a contractor and builder in Columbus in the pioneer period of its history, and erected many of the early buildings in that city. Russell K. Ramsey is the oldest in a family of three children. Edith, the second child, died in infancy and the youngest, Raymond A., is a physician and surgeon in the City of Columbus, associated with Dr. Andre Crotti.

Russell K. Ramsey was educated in the Columbus public schools and Ohio State University in both the academic and law departments. He was admitted to the bar in the year 1900, and in the same year engaged in practice at Sandusky with the law firm of King & Guerin until 1904, when Mr. Guerin retired and the title of the firm became King & Ramsey. The firm has since 1919 been King, Ramsey, Flynn & Pyle. Mr. Ramsey has been in the active practice of law since admission to the bar, but since 1918 much of his time has been occupied with the legal and financial affairs of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company.

In 1901 Mr. Ramsey married Miss Florence L. Samuel, of Columbus, Ohio, who was born and reared in that city. Mrs. Ramsey was a daughter of the late Samuel E. and Julia (Pomeroy) Samuel. Mr. Samuel was of Welsh extraction, settled in Columbus when a young man, and was an early wholesale druggist and real estate operator in that city. Mrs. Ramsey died April 22, 1913, leaving one son, Russell A.,

now a senior at Princeton University. On June 26, 1915, Mr. Ramsey married Helen Wilcox, only daughter of Clinton B. and Belle (Fuller) Wilcox. Major Wilcox, who obtained his title in the Ohio National Guard, was born in Sandusky, where he still resides, and is chairman of the board of directors of the Sandusky Gas and Electric Company. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey have one child, a daughter, Jean, born may 28, 1919.

Mr. Ramsey was chairman of the Erie County Liberty Loan Committee during the World war, raising the county's quota for the five loans. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, local Ohio State and American Bar associations. Politically he is a republican, a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, senior warden of Grace Church Parish, member Bishop and Council Diocese of Northern Ohio, a trustee of Howe Military School of Howe, Indiana, member of all Masonic bodies, past commander of Erie Commandery, member of Phi Delta Theta college fraternity, Sunyendeand (City) Club, Yacht Club, Plum Brook Country Club, all of Sandusky, and the Union Club of Cleveland.

James E. Tener, who is one of the prominent and successful business men of Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio, was born in Adams County, this state on January 11, 1886, and is the son of Jonathan and Ruhama (Herdnan) Tener. The father is still living, but the mother is deceased. Both were natives of this state and distinguished themselves as leading and reputable citizens. The father owned a fruit and produce farm in Adams County, which he conducted with profit for many years. He finally left the farm and came to Portsmouth in 1899, and here engaged in the produce business almost exclusively, but in the end sold out and is now associated in business with his son, the subject of this memoir. His life has been exemplary and his character conspicuous for its sterling qualities and undeviating purity. His father was George Tener, who chose for his wife Miss Martha Simmons. The father of Ruhama Herdnan was Seth. The Teners are of Scotch descent and the Simmons, of Irish. They came to the United States at an early day, locating first in the eastern states, probably Pennsylvania or New Jersey, but in the end came west to Ohio, where they reared their families and became illustrious citizens.

James E. Tener, the subject of this narrative, received an unusually sound education in the public schools of Portsmouth, though he did not continue his schooling beyond the adolescent period. He finished his educational career in 1905 as a high school graduate, and then branched out in business for himself. He started by securing a job with the Wurster Brothers drug concern of Portsmouth, and continued with them for one year. He then obtained a position with Excelsior Shoe Company, and was in their employ for two years. By this time he had become settled in business away from his old home and was prepared for any undertaking that promised and assured a reasonable profit.

It was about this time that the Ice Cream & Bottling Company manufacturers of the Peerless brand of ice cream, was planned and finally organized. Mr. Tener was one of the organizers and was one of the chief workers to make it successful. He became its secretary in 1910, and so satisfactory were his services that he became its general manager in 1913. He is thus occupied with much credit at the present time. He devotes all his business hours to this conspicuous industrial undertaking, and at the present date it is one of the most prosperous and active business establishments in Southern Ohio. The plant covers half a block and contains all the most modern and practical contrivances and conveniences to be found in the West. It is fully and notably up to date, and its products find a ready and extensive market over a large section of the country.

When the World war burst forth and startled the nation he became at once interested in wiping out the menace to the United States. In August, 1917, he enlisted and was sent to the Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. There he was strenuously occupied for three months in learning the duties and exactions of the officers' field requirements, and there he fitted himself for a creditable soldierly career. At the end of the first three months he was commissioned lieutenant and then transferred to Camp Custer, and was there required to make practical all the arts of military activity he had learned at Fort Benjamin Harrison. For thirteen months he served as instructor at Camp Custer, Michigan, and while thus engaged perfected his own knowledge of the operations of field movements, so that he was then qualified to take the field or firing line. He was attached to the Eighty-fifth Division, and was ready at any moment to cross the water and help crush the enemy that threatened the democracy of the world. But like many others of the gallant boys he was doomed to disappointment, was required to remain on this side of the Atlantic, and was honorably discharged on December 24, 1918, and at once returned to Portsmouth and resumed his business as general manager of the company.

In November, 1913, at Portsmouth, he was united in marriage with Miss Nellie Hudson, daughter of W. H. and Emma (Gustin) Hudson, both of whom are prominent Ohio people and both are still enjoying the comforts and pleasures of life on earth. Her father is a building contractor, and is now engaged in the construction of good roads, etc. He is a man of high character and renown.

James E. Tener is a prominent member of the Masonic fraternity, is a Knight Templar, belongs to the Scottish Rite and the Mystic Shrine, is a member of the United Commercial Travelers order, of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce, of the Country Club, of the Young Men's Christian Association, of the American Legion and also of the Knights of Pythias. Much of his life career is still before him and is promising and inviting. He is qualified for any position within the gift of his fellow citizens.

William J. Hays, one of the active and promising business men of Portsmouth, Ohio, was born at Vanceburg, Kentucky, on the 13th of February, 1892, and is the son of Enos R. and Amanda L. (Darraugh) Hays. The father was called by death some time ago, and so was the mother. They both were natives of Kentucky and were highly reputable and conspicuous citizens. The father was for many years a prosperous merchant of Vanceburg and also a large coal operator, and knew how to make money and how to save it for proper uses. He not only was a prosperous business man, but distinguished himself in municipal and civic affairs until he became one of the really great leaders in public life. He was a republican, and as such became a candidate for the office of magistrate of Vanceburg, and was duly elected and served with high credit and to the satisfaction of his constituents. He occupied other important positions in the political embroilments of this section. He was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and served that organization in various exacting capacities to his credit and to the pleasure of his fellow members. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity and advanced until he became one of the Thirty-second degree.

His father was Lewis L. Hays and his mother

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was formerly Miss Sarah Rousch. The father of Amanda L. Darraugh was Leonadis Darraugh. It is believed by Mr. Hays that his ancestors came from some part of the British Empire far back in Colonial time and settled permanently in "Old Virginia." This was the hear-say story that has been handed down from long ago, but may contain some discrepancies and may need correction and revision.

William J. Hays, the subject of this record, received an excellent education during his youthful days. Year after year he attended the public schools of Vanceburg, Kentucky, and finally finished his scholastic career with a strict course in the Riverside Seminary in the same town, finishing with high credit in 1909. He was then prepared for the exacting duties and responsibilities of a successful and adventurous business career. His first venture was to become traveling salesman for the M. Marcus Clothing House of Vanceburg, and he was thus actively at work for five strenuous years, winning much praise and renown from his employers. He then accepted a similar position with the Ben Aaron Clothing House of Chillicothe, Rose County, Ohio, and was thus occupied for three years. Upon the death of his father about this time he engaged in the automobile business, and continued the same with success until October 3, 1917, when he was the first to be called into the service of the government in the World war from Lewis County, Kentucky. He passed the examination and was first sent to Camp Taylor, Kentucky, on October 17, 1917, and was promptly assigned to duty in the motor section of the field artillery. There for some time he had charge of the payroll and the paycar. He was not called across the ocean, but did his full duty in this country until he was honorably discharged on December 23, 1918.

He then came home and prepared for business. On January 1, 1919, he became associated with Mr. Prichard, of Portsmouth, in the auto business as sales manager, and was thus employed until October 15, 1922, when he organized the W. J. Hays Motor Company and accepted the general agency of the Durant and Star cars, and has since carried on a constantly increasing and profitable trade, much to his praise and the benefit of the auto owners.

He now owns a complete garage and repair shop and handles all sorts of auto supplies. His plant is centrally located, his trade is large and the outlook for the future is bright and auspicious. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of the Masonic Order, of the Elks, of the Grotto, of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Country Club and of the American Legion. He is taking an active and notable part in the affairs of the city and has the confidence of the citizens.

On the 29th of January, 1914, at Chillicothe, Ohio, he married Marie Anderson, daughter of James and Florence (Thomas) Anderson, both of whom are natives of Ohio. The mother is deceased, but the father is still living and is in the insurance business in Portsmouth. He is an active and zealous member of the Bigelow Methodist Episcopal Church, and is one of the city's most reputable citizens. He takes great interest in the up-building of the city.

MARTIN SCHAUDER, who has gained a place as one of the successful general contractors in his native City of Tiffin, Seneca County, for a long period of years has given special attention to contract work and road and sewer construction. He is a representative of one of the old and honored families of Seneca County.

He was born at the family home at 190 Clay Street, Tiffin, October 28, 1865, son of Martin and Caroline (Burkhardt) Schauder. Martin Schauder, Sr., was born in Baden, Germany, in 1830, was reared and educated in the old country, and was a young man when he came to the United States and established his residence at Tiffin. Here he eventually became a successful contractor, assisting in the building of some of the early railroad lines through this section of the state. His wife likewise was a native of Germany. Both continued to reside at Tiffin until their deaths. They were zealous communicants of the Catholic Church. Of the eight children, one died in infancy and the others were: Louis, the oldest of the family, who died October 6, 1920; Albert, who was an invalid; Rosa, wife of Joseph Schira; Martin, of this sketch; John, associated with his brother Martin in the contracting business; Miss Teresa, of Tiffin, who died September 12, 1924; and Charles, a contractor at Tiffin.

Mr. Martin Schauder grew up in Tiffin, acquired his early education in the Catholic parochial school, and as a boy was associated with his father's contracting operations. Eventually he fortified himself for independent business as a contractor, and has handled a large number of contracts in connection with road construction, street improvements and sewer building in this section of Ohio. In addition to his business Mr. Schauder has always taken a loyal interest in the welfare and advancement of his native city and county. He has been a stalwart supporter of the cause of the democratic party, and though always more interested in the success of his friends than himself, he was prevailed upon to become democratic candidate for county commissioner at the primaries of 1924. He is affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Eagles and Knights of Columbus, and he and his family are communicants of the Catholic Church.

Mr. Schauder married, in 1891, Miss Rosa Schira. The supreme loss and bereavement in his life came when his wife passed away in 1918. Of their children the oldest is Marie, who was graduated from the Ursuline Convent at Tiffin, was married to Hal Smith of that city, and they have five children, named Robert, Lillian, Marion, Catherine and Margaret Jean. Louis Martin Schauder, the second child, is now at home. He was in service with the Three Hundred and Eighth Engineers of the American Expeditionary Forces in France, was mustered out and given his honorable discharge in July, 1919, and on November 29, 1923 married Bessie Fisher, of Tiffin, and has a son, John Louis. Norma Schauder is the wife of Edward Kromer, residents of Cleveland, and they are the parents of three children, named Marjorie, Evelyn and Joan. Cletus, youngest of the children, was in the air service of the United States Army during the World war, spending the greater part of his time in Texas. By his marriage to Miss Hattie Seivert he has a son, Paul Martin, born July 22, 1922.

CHARLES D. SCUDDER, of Portsmouth, who has built up one of the largest fire insurance agencies in Southern Ohio, represents an old and distinguished line of American ancestry.

He is a descendant of Thomas Scudder who came from London and was at Salem, Massachusetts, in 1635, living there until his death in 1658. His son John in 1651 moved to Southold, Long Island, and before 1660, to Newton, Long Island. He married in 1642 Mary King, who was born in England, daughter of William and Dorothy King. Their son John, born in 1645, lived at Newton, Long Island. In 1669 he married Joanna, daughter of Captain Richard Betts.

Lieutenant Richard Betts Scudder, representing the fourth generation, was born at Newton, and was the founder of the family around Trenton, New Jersey, where he located in 1709. His property on the

Delaware River, known as Scudder Falls, remained in the possession of the family for many years. He died in 1754. His wife was Hannah Stillwell, daughter of Joseph Stillwell. Lieutenant Richard B. Scudder commanded a section of the New Jersey militia in an expedition to Canada in 1711. His son John Scudder, who died in 1748, married Phebe Howell, daughter of Daniel Howell. One of their children was Daniel Scudder, who died in 1811, at the age of seventy-five. He married Mary Snowden, who died in 1798. Elias Scudder, of the seventh generation, died the same year as his father, Daniel, in 1811. He married Sarah Smith, daughter of Jasper Smith. Jasper Smith Scudder, who died in 1877, at the age of eighty, married Mary Stillwell. Jasper Smith Scudder was the first president of the Trenton Mechanics and Manufacturers Bank.

Edward Wallace Scudder, representing the ninth generation of the family, is a son of Jasper Smith Scudder, and grandfather of Charles D. Scudder of Portsmouth, was born August 11, 1822, and died at Trenton, New Jersey, in 1893. He was educated at Lawrenceville Academy, studied law at Trenton, became an attorney in 1844, was president of the New Jersey Senate in 1865, and in 1869 was appointed justice of the Supreme Court, an office he held until his death. Princeton College in 1880 bestowed upon him the degree Bachelor of Laws. He was for many years a trustee of the Princeton Theological Seminary. Judge Scudder in 1848 married Mary Louisa Drake, daughter of George King and Mary Alling (Halsey) Drake. George King Drake was also a justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court, and was a son of Colonel Jacob Drake, who was born in 1732 and died in 1823. Colonel Drake commanded the Western Battalion of New Jersey Militia during the Revolution, and was a member of the committee of correspondence and safety, and the first New Jersey Assembly. He was a member of the convention to approve the state constitution in 1776. The Halsey family were of old English stock, and the Halsey homestead still stands in the south part of England. One of the Halseys was a member of the House of Commons.

George Drake Scudder, father of Charles D., was born at Trenton, New Jersey, January 17, 1856, and acquired his early education in the State Model School at Trenton. In 1872 he entered Princeton College, graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1876, and subsequently received the Master of Arts degree. He studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1879, and began practice at Trenton. In 1882 he was given the degree Counselor at Law. He had a large private practice at Trenton from 1879 until 1893. November 20, 1879, while at Portsmouth, Ohio, he married Harriet Helen Damarin, daughter of Charles A. M. and Harriet Caroline Damarin. George Drake Scudder was for two years a member of the City Council of the Borough of Chambersburg, New Jersey, and in 1886 was nominated by the democrats for mayor of the borough, but was defeated. In the fall of the same year he was nominated and elected a member of the Legislature, and after one term declined re-election. He was also appointed and served as prosecuting attorney of Mercer County.

In 1893, his health having failed, he gave up his professional work and for some months traveled in Europe. On his return he located at Portsmouth, Ohio, was admitted to the Ohio courts, and became a leading attorney of Portsmouth. At the time of the Bryan and free silver issue he left the democratic party and became an independent voter, but was never active in politics after that. At the age of twenty he became a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Trenton, and in 1886 helped organize a new church on the outskirts of that city known as the Bethany Presbyterian Church. He was a trustee and ruling elder until he moved to Portsmouth, where he and his family united with the First Presbyterian Church and soon afterward he was made an elder and superintendent of the Sunday school. He twice represented the church in the General Assembly. He was a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason. He passed away March 9, 1921. His wife, Harriet Helen Damarin, was born in Ohio, and died February 12, 1922.

Charles D. Scudder, who represents the eleventh generation of the Scudder family in America, was born at Portsmouth, October 21, 1883. During his boyhood he attended the State Model School of Trenton, New Jersey, and also later attended the Portsmouth High School. Subsequently he entered Princeton University, a school in which many of his ancestors had been trained. He graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1907, and on his return to Portsmouth went to work for the Excelsior Shoe Company in the mail order department, remained there two years and then took charge of stock for the Reliable Engine Company. Mr. Scudder in 1911 engaged in the insurance business, and he has the agency for sixteen fire insurance companies, and among others he represents the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company, the Mutual Life of New York and the Aetna Casualty Insurance Company.

April 5, 1910, at Portsmouth, Mr. Scudder married Miss Katherine Waite, daughter of Gilbert D. and Sarah D. (Dillon) Waite. Both her parents were born in Ohio, and her mother is still living. Her father, who died in 1914, was a furniture manufacturer at Portsmouth, and a member of the Official Board of the Bigelow Methodist Episcopal Church. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Scudder are Charles D., Jr., Sarah Katherine and George D. Mr. Scudder is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, is a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Elks, and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the Portsmouth Country Club, and is a member of the Portsmouth School Board.

FRANK R. BACHMAN. During the entire period of its history as a commonwealth Ohio has been noted as a center of education and culture second to none in the country, and its institutions of learning rank with the best. Because of their prestige men of unusual capabilities have been, and are, attracted to them, so that the Ohio educators are a body of earnest, self-sacrificing members of this important profession, among whom in this connection it is eminently proper to mention Frank R. Bachman, president of the Portsmouth College of Business, which institution is sending into the business world its pupils as thoroughly prepared for the responsibilities of life as do the other educational bodies along classical and professional lines.

Frank R. Bachman was born at Sardis, Monroe County, Ohio, April 29, 1889. On the paternal side Mr. Bachman is descended from grandparents of Swiss birth, who, coming to the United States from Switzerland about 1843, settled in Monroe County, Ohio. The paternal grandfather was a stone cutter, having learned his trade in his native land, and turned out work of the very highest kind, being really an artist of rare ability in stone cutting. On his mother's side Mr. Bachman is descended from the Paulsons, a Scotch family which was established in the United States many years ago, the members of which have since been honorable and industrious.

The parents of Frank R. Bachman are John and Druscilla (Paulson) Bachman, the former of whom was born in Monroe County, Ohio, in 1851. For a number of years he was actively engaged in farming

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but is now living retired. Always active in the Church of Christ, he is now an elder of the local congregation. His wife was born in Pennsylvania, and she, too, is living.

Growing up amid healthy rural surroundings Frank R. Bachman attended the local district schools, and then became a school teacher. He earned the money for his normal school courses at Ada, Athens and Antioch, Ohio, by teaching country schools, and he completed his training by taking up commercial college work in 1912, at Portsmouth, as an instructor in the college of which he is now president. A year later, however, he went with the Irvin-Drew Company as an accountant, and remained with that concern for two and one-half years. Leaving that company, he went into business for himself and until 1918 found congenial employment for his energies and abilities in handling real estate, building and improving property and then selling it. However, as he is a born educator, he turned back to his old profession, and bought the control in the company owning the Portsmouth College of Business, of which he has since continued president. This is one of the best institutions of its kind in the state, accredited by the State Department of Education as a two-year commercial college giving state high school certificates. The instruction in all branches of business practice is thorough and practical, and the graduates from it are prepared to discharge the duties of a position in an efficient manner, such as years of actual practice could not give them. Employers recognize this fact and give a preference to those who have enjoyed the advantages of a course under President Bachman's supervision.

During the late war Mr. Bachman registered under the draft, but was not called to the colors. While waiting for his call he devoted himself to all of the war activities, and rendered an especially effective service as one of the four-minute speakers of Scioto County.

On October 16, 1913, Mr. Bachman married at Portsmouth Miss Sarah Edna Marsh, a daughter of William and Mary (Gibson) Marsh, both of whom were born in Ohio. Mr. Marsh is now deceased, but for many years he was one of the leading farmers of Bloom Township, Scioto County, and his farm was recognized as the finest rural property in that region. His widow survives him. Mr. and Mrs. Bachman have three children: Mary Joanna, Roberta Druscilla and Betty Lee. The Church of Christ at Portsmouth holds Mr. Bachman's membership, and he has been advanced therein to the position of an elder. In every respect he is a fine and representative citizen, and is especially popular with the young people, and a strong influence for good among those who come under his control in his college, as well as in the church and community generally.

Marvin C. Clark has been trying for some time to trace his ancestry back half a dozen generations or more, but thus far has found it a difficult and perplexing task. He has learned that his grandfather was Thomas Baxter Clark, of Cooperstown, New York, and that he inherited quite a large fortune. He has also learned that the wife of Thomas B., formerly a Miss Fitch, also inherited considerable money, which she invested in valuable timber lands in Lewis County, Kentucky. Both Thomas B. and wife, in 1873, moved from Cooperstown, New York, and located in Kentucky, near her tracts of land. A number of years ago the father of Marvin C. Clark journeyed to Cooperstown to secure all the data concerning the family that he could find. Upon his return he died suddenly, before the facts he had gathered had been told and recorded by his family. The old family records are at Cooperstown, perhaps in the possession of a relative named Gray, who at present cannot be located.

The father of Marvin C. Clark was named also Thomas Baxter Clark. He married Emma Alice Harry, a native of Adams County, Ohio. Thomas B., the father, moved from Cooperstown to Kentucky with his parents in 1873. He engaged in the merchandising business in Lewis County, and there remained until 1892, when he changed his location to Portsmouth and opened a store of general merchandise. Later he moved to Stockdale, and there pursued the same business for a period of fifteen years. He finally passed away, leaving an excellent personal record. He was very active and industrious in his early days in Lewis County.

Marvin C. Clark received his first schooling in the country districts of Lewis County and his first industrial lessons in the well-conducted store of his father. When in his teens he entered Portsmouth Commercial College and took a full course in commerce. Having shown unusual merit during his collegiate studies and revealed a character unusually high and promising, he was given a position as instructor in this college, where he taught successfully for a period of two years. He then secured a position with the Central National Bank of Portsmouth, and a few years later became bookkeeper and teller with the Portsmouth National Bank. In 1903 he quit the banking business and established himself in the real estate adventure, to which was added insurance, and he made both a success. He became secretary of the Portsmouth Building and Loan Association, and to this important and lucrative enterprise he devotes much of his present time. He is also actively connected with the National Movement of Home Building. He has well demonstrated his capacity thus far in life to make vital industrial enterprises a success.

During the World war he served as president of the Real Estate Board, and was one of the organizers of that important commercial body. He was also appointed one of the appraisers for the government in connection with housing and caring for the employes of the steel plant. Mr. Clark is a republican, active in its work and a state central committeeman from the Sixth Congressional District, State of Ohio.

On October 20, 1904, at Portsmouth, Ohio, he married Gertrude, daughter of Sanford P. and Elizabeth (Davey) Selby, both of her parents being Ohio people. They have two children, Howard S. and David M. They are members of the Bigelow Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Selby was for some time manager with the McCormick concern in Des Moines, then with the Selby Shoe Company at Portsmouth, and became the manager of the White House Stone Company at Toledo. Both Mr. and Mrs. Selby are still living.

Amos M. Fudge. In his early manhood, Amos M. Fudge gave abundant exercise to his energies and talents as a farmer and stockraiser on the ancestral acres of the Fudge family in Preble County. In addition to his farming interests in later years, he has been a pioneer in the Independent Telephone Industry, a banker and business man of many interests. His home is at West Alexandria.

He is the grandson of one of the very first settlers and the first sheriff of Preble County. This grandfather was Jacob Fudge, who was born in Virginia December 26, 1779. A few years later he and his brother David were taken by their widowed mother to Kentucky and in 1793 the family settled on the site of Lebanon, Warren County, Ohio. About the time Ohio entered the Union, Jacob Fudge and his brother made another progress into the wilder-

ness of Ohio, acquiring 500 acres in Lanier Township of Preble County, land that has been in the possession of the Fudge family continuously for over a century. Jacob Fudge was busy with the improvement of this estate during the rest of his active life. He helped organize and was appointed the first sheriff of Preble County, but holding public office was distasteful to him and the story is that he once gave a friend a gallon of whiskey in order to keep his name off the ticket. He was of the Universalist faith. He died March 27, 1863, at the age of eighty-three. He married in 1810, Elizabeth Potters, daughter of Jasper Potters. She was born in Virginia February 10, 1790, and died February 3, 1869. They reared thirteen children and were survived by seventy grandchildren.

Franklin N. Fudge, father of Amos M., was born in Preble County, December 15, 1826, acquired and for many years cultivated a farm adjoining the old homestead. He married Susanna Markey in 1849. She was born in Maryland, August 5, 1830, and attained a venerable age. Franklin Fudge died February 6, 1896.

Amos Fudge, the youngest son of these parents, was born on a farm in Lanier Township, Preble County, Ohio, June 27, 1868, and finished his education in the public schools at Gratis. For many years he occupied the home farm, adding to its facilities, and became an extensive tobacco grower. He was also a breeder of pure bred Durham cattle, and sheep. He still retains the personal ownership of 185 acres, and is also an officer in the Twin Valley Bank of West Alexandria, is secretary of the Preble County Heat, Light & Power Company and secretary of the Preble County Telephone Company. The heat, light and power company has been in existence only five years, and has 500 patrons and consumers and is a very prosperous public utility. The Preble County Telephone Company combined the history of the First Independent telephone lines in Preble County, the first effective exchange being operated at West Alexandria. The West Alexandria Telephone Company and the Gratis Telephone Company were combined in April, 1904, as the Preble County Telephone Company which is capitalized at $30,000 and has 800 subscribers. Mr. Fudge was a charter member of the old Gratis Telephone Company and has been secretary of the Preble County Company since its organization. Mr. Fudge is a democrat and a member of the Brethren Church and of the Grange.

He married March 30, 1892, Miss Mary Meyer, daughter of J. H. and Catherine Meyer of Lanier Township. They have three daughters and one son, Susie Catherine, Grace Anna, Dorothy Lucille and Russel M. Susie Catherine is the wife of Roy Smith, a farmer, and has one child. Grace married Rev. Elwood Rowsey, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Toledo. They have two children. The daughter Dorothy is the wife of Roy Brubaker connected with G. W. Shroyer & Company of Dayton. They have three children, including twins. The son, Russel Fudge, who occupies the old family homestead in Lanier Township, owning 106 acres of that property, married Miss Eby Royer and they have one son, Royer M. Mr. A. M. Fudge and his son-in-law, Reverend Rowsey, are owners of the noted Diamond Caverns near Glasgow Junction, Kentucky, and only a few miles from Mammoth Cave. These caverns have been improved and opened to the public as one of the most natural exhibits of the kind in the world.

George Chester Wallace. The building shortage all over the country and the increasing demand for properly improved homes have created a great activity in real estate, and many men of superior ability are becoming realtors, their high character and efficient methods of doing business having resulted in making of this important calling a real profession. In a city of the importance of Portsmouth the demand for real estate, especially that of the better class of properties, is heavy and increasing, and one of the representative citizens of this locality who has recently entered the field, and in it attained to a well-deserved prestige, is George Chester Wallace.

The birth of George Chester Wallace occurred in Scioto County, Ohio, October 6, 1870, and he is a son of the late William Riley Wallace, and grandson of Aaron Wallace. William Riley Wallace was born in Ohio, as was his wife, Emma Shelpman. During the war between the two sections of the country he served in the Union army. For many years he was engaged in the lumber business, handling logs and railroad ties, contracted to put in timber, and also carried on extensive teaming operations. Five of his sons became connected with him in this line of business. In addition to his large business connections he was very active in public matters, and was a representative and good citizen. In politics he was a strong republican.

Until he was sixteen years old George Chester Wallace attended the district schools, but at that age began making himself useful to his father on the farm. After a year at that work he left home, and, going to Catlettsburg, Kentucky, worked for the Pem Martin Company for about two years. For the following four years he was associated with the Wayne Dameron wholesale whisky house as general man looking after everything. Returning to Scioto County, Mr. Wallace was with the Olway Welch Brothers, lumbermen, for a year as inspector, and then went to Washington Courthouse, Fayette County, Ohio, and did general farm work and various other jobs for Mart Plymer during the ensuing three years. For the next two years he was first with the Brease Manufacturing Company and later with the Portsmouth Stove and Range Company, both of Portsmouth. Mr. Wallace then began handling second-hand furniture and goods of all kinds, and built up a very fine business in which he continued for seventeen years. Too close application to business, however, resulted in a breakdown, and he was obliged to sell his business, and sought relaxation in Indian Territory and other places. Upon his return to Portsmouth he entered the realty field, where, as above stated, he has been very successful. He handles all kinds of property, but does considerable building and improves a large amount of old property. He stands very high in public esteem, and is recognized as one who is exceptionally honorable in all of his dealings, and who will render a square deal to everyone with whom he transacts any business.

In 1892 Mr. Wallace married Miss Minnie Smith at Catlettsburg, Kentucky, and she died in 1906, leaving no children. In 1908 Mr. Wallace married at Portsmouth Miss Emma Copas, a daughter of Harrison C. and Latha Ann (Webb) Copas. Mr. Copas, one of the leading timbermen of this region, was deliberately shot and killed by James Lewis. There are no children of the second marriage. Not only is Mr. Wallace active in his business, but he is deeply interested in the advancement of Portsmouth, and is rendering the city an excellent service and was a member of its Chamber of Commerce. It is such men as Mr. Wallace who do much to raise the standards of business life, and set an example the younger generation would do well to follow.

Frank W. Moulton, a member of the Portsmouth bar for twenty years, and former prosecuting

Wilson W. Galloway.

attorney of Scioto County, represents one of the older families of this section of the state.

Mr. Moulton was born at Lucasville, in Scioto County, February 14, 1877, son of Chandler J. and Mary (Smith) Moulton. His mother is still living and a native of Ohio. The Moulton family is of New England ancestry and came to Ohio from Vermont. Mr. Moulton's great-grandfather, John Moulton, served as a Revolutionary soldier. In the paternal line he had another Revolutionary ancestor, a great-great-grandfather, Amasiah Ainsworth, who was a private in Colonel Wyman's regiment at New Hampshire in 1776 and a private in Colonel Bellow's regiment in 1777. The regiment of Bellows went to the support of General Gates in the battle of Saratoga. The grandparents of the Portsmouth attorney were Norman and Mary (Belknap) Moulton.

Chandler J. Moulton, one of Scioto County's leading men in his day, was born in Randolph, Orange County, Vermont, December 26, 1839. In 1848 his parents came west to Ohio, making part of the journey by the Erie Canal. They settled at Lucasville, where Chandler J. Moulton grew up, acquiring a common school education. During 1857-58 he was a student in Ohio Wesleyan College at Delaware. For seven years of his early manhood he was engaged in farming, and in 1867 opened a mercantile store at Lucasville, and was one of the busy merchants of that town until his death on the third of October, 1917. He was prominent in politics, served as chairman of the Republican County Executive Committee and for eight years as a member of the Central Committee, and was twice elected to represent Scioto County in the Legislature. He was known as a citizen of sterling qualities, endowed with wonderful patience and quiet efficiency. He was a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias and was a trustee of his church. His wife, Mary C. Smith, was a daughter of Judge John M. Smith, of West Union, Ohio. Chandler J. Moulton and wife had six children: Frank W., Arthur S., Mabel A., Jennie, John N., and Earl C.

Frank W. Moulton was reared at Lucasville, where he attended the grammar and high schools. In 1897 he graduated Bachelor of Arts from Ohio University at Athens, and in September of the same year went to Chicago, where he secured appointment as a clerk in the office of the United States Commissioner to the Paris Exposition. While thus employed he attended for two years the law school of Lake Forest University in Chicago. In 1900 he was sent to Paris with the Exposition Commission, being assigned to the textile department, and remained abroad until October of that year. On returning to Ohio he resumed his law studies in the Cincinnati Law School, and was graduated Bachelor of Laws June 12, 1902. Since graduating Mr. Moulton has been in a busy private practice at Portsmouth, at first in partnership with Nelson W. Evans. His service as prosecuting attorney of the county was rendered during the years 1909-10. Mr. Moulton lent the full strength of his influence for the successful prosecution of the war, and participated in all the local drives.

He had the Master of Arts degree conferred upon him by Ohio University at Athens, and is a member of the Beta Theta Pi social fraternity and the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity. He belongs to the County, State and American Bar associations, and is a member of the Masonic Lodge. He is a former member and exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge. Mr. and Mrs. Moulton are Methodists. June 30, 1908, at Portsmouth, Mr. Moulton married Miss Martha Dever, daughter of Noah J. and Mattie (Gilliland) Dever. Their marriage was of short duration, being terminated by the death of Mrs. Moulton in October, 1919. In September, 1922, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, Mr. Moulton married Miss Margaret Van Bergen.

Noble P. Kerns has been successfully engaged in the retail furniture business in the city of Chillicothe, Ross County, since the year 1916, and here has an establishment of metropolitan equipment and appointments—one that offers the best of facilities and service to its large and appreciative corps of patrons.

Mr. Kerns was born in the village of Ashville, Pickaway County, Ohio, March 17, 1889, and is a son of George W. and Louama (Peters) Kerns, the former of whom was engaged in the grocery business at Columbus at the time of his death, in 1908, and the latter still resides at Columbus. She is an earnest communicant of the Baptist Church, while he was a member of the Lutheran Church. The other two surviving children are daughters. Myrtle is the wife of Thomas W. Davis, and they have three children, Gwenlyn, Ruth and Mabel. Etta Louama is the wife of Van Kiner, and they have five children, Ralph, Helen, Mary, Katherine and Olive. Absolom Kerns, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a resident of Ohio at the time of his death. The original American representatives of the Kerns family came from Holland and made settlement in Pennsylvania, from which state came the first representatives in Ohio.

The public schools of his native county afforded Noble P. Kerns his preliminary education, and he was ten years of age at the time of the family removal to the city of Columbus. In the high school of the capital city he was graduated in 1910, and there also he took a course in business college. He then took a position with a wholesale dry-goods and shoe house in Columbus, and in 1912 he formed a partnership and there engaged in the retail shoe business. In 1916 he sold his interest to his partner, Mr. Bates, and came to Chillicothe, where by fair and honorable policies and service and progressive methods he has built up a substantial retail furniture business. He was registered for service in the World war, but as he was assigned to the fourth class he was not called into active service. He has completed the circle of York Rite Masonry, in which his maximum affiliation is with the local Commandery of Knights Templar, and he is a member also of the Mystic Shrine, the Elks and the Odd Fellows. He is actively identified with the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce, the local Rotary Club and the Chillicothe Athletic Club. He and his wife hold membership in the Walnut Street Methodist Episcopal Church in their home city.

At Columbus, in August, 1913, Mr. Kerns was united in marriage with Miss Norma L. Meyers, eldest of the six children of James H. and Abbie (Southard) Meyers, the former of whom died in the year 1918 and the latter still resides in Columbus. Mr. and Mrs. Kerns have two children, Virginia Jane and George Richard.

Capt. Wilson Washington Galloway, general manager of the Hagar Strawboard & Paper Company at Cedarville, is one of the most progressive business men of Greene County, and a veteran of the World war. He is descended from the distinguished Galloways for so many years prominent in the affairs of Greene County, and is connected with a number of other important families of the Middle West, including the one to which the illustrious General Lyons belonged.

Captain Galloway was born at Xenia, Ohio, August 17, 1890, a son of Edwin and Maggie (Wilson) Galloway. When he was but sixteen years old Edwin Galloway entered the employ of Hutchinson & Gibney,

of Xenia, as an errand boy, and rose in that establishment, during the thirty-one years he was connected with it, through successive promotions, to be manager of the department of floor furnishings and draperies. At the expiration of this long period of service, Mr. Galloway, with Mr. Cherry who had been associated with him in the drapery department, bought the business, and have since conducted it under the firm name of Galloway & Cherry. Since the new owners have taken charge the business has shown a healthy increase, the sales of each month exceeding those of the previous month without a single exception.

Graduated from the Xenia High School in 1908, Captain Galloway entered Denison University, Granville, Ohio, and was graduated therefrom in 1914, with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. From the university he went to the Newark, Ohio, Young Men's Christian Association as physical director, and subsequently became assistant purchasing agent for the Dort Motor Car Company, at Flint, Michigan, in which connection he had charge of buying all of the maintenance and factory supplies amounting to more than $200,000 annually. Resigning this position when the United States entered the World war, he enlisted in the service of his country.

Sent to Fort Sheridan, Illinois, he was commissioned a first lieutenant August 15, 1917, and assigned to duty at Watervliet Arsenal, New York. Later he was transferred to Washington City, and under the command of Colonel Hathaway, assisted in the organization of the Supply Division of the Ordnance Department, with a view to expediting the collection, assembling and delivery of supplies to the front in France, it being provided under this reorganization that all supplies should be under the absolute control and direction of this department from the time they left the factory until they arrived at the front. On June 28, 1918, he was commissioned a captain and remained with this department until he was sent overseas in September. Arriving in France he was assigned to the same line of work at Ordnance Headquarters where he remained for thirty days, when he was ordered to the front, and placed in command of Ordnance Depots Nos. 101 and 102. After the armistice was signed he returned to the Ordnance Department Headquarters at Tours, where his duties were similar to those at Washington City, and he continued in the service until he received his honorable discharge, August 6, 1919, in New York.

After being discharged, Captain Galloway in December, 1919, became associated with the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio, being in charge of the employing, assigning to duty and discharging of the salaried employes of this concern. Captain Galloway remained with this company until February 15, 1922. He resigned this position to accept one as general manager of the Hagar Strawboard & Paper Company of Cedarville, which he still holds, the proffer of it having come to him entirely unsolicited. During the two and one-half years he has held the position, he has made some very important changes, among them being the transfer of the office from Xenia to Cedarville, and the thorough overhauling of equipment and methods. The plant has been so altered as to make it like new. All of the buildings have been remodeled, the grounds and surroundings beautified with grass plots, flower beds and flower boxes, the latter being in the windows in plain sight of the employes.

A five day week was adopted January 1, 1923, thus eliminating all Sunday work, and affording the employes a Saturday half holiday. In spite of the decrease in the time put in, the production has increased 25 per cent. Foremen were put on salary, with two weeks vacation annually, each foreman being made manager of his department. These foremen, as an organization, meet with the general manager and superintendent at regular stated intervals, and at these meetings all details of the business are discussed. The employes are organized into a social club, literary society and baseball team, and they have their own movie theatre, the president of the company having donated a moving picture machine and projecting machine, while Captain Galloway provided the piano and chairs for the hall. Insurance is provided for all employes, and already this feature has, in several instances, proven a source of much-needed relief. Under the foregoing methods the sordid grind of daily labor has been reduced to a minimum and a spirit and perspective worth while has been infused into the lives of all employes with better salaries, increased production and decreased overhead expenses. Secretary Davis of the United States Department of Labor approved the foregoing plan, and in May, 1924, upon his recommendation, all similar plants in the country adopted the same system put into operation by Captain Galloway sixteen months earlier.

In June, 1922, Captain Galloway was also made treasurer of the company, so that his authority was thereby increased. In addition to the improvements already referred to, he has surplanted the old method of hauling loose straw from farms to mill, which required forty-four mules covering a fifteen-mile radius of supply, with specially designed trailers, drawn by Fordsons, thereby increasing the radius-base of supply to more than twenty-five miles, and yet reducing the cost of delivery 28 per cent, with better wages to the employes in this department, and a bonus for extra ton deliveries which enables some of the employes to double their daily wages. Each Fordson draws two trailers with a capacity of two tons each. These trailers were designed by Captain Galloway and his assistant, who personally conducted the experimental work in perfecting them, and he even drove the Fordsons in experimental trips from farm to factory in testing out the capacity, speed and similar matters. The Troy Trailer Company was awarded the contract for building these trailers according to Captain Galloway's specifications and models, which were so perfect that no changes were made in the process of manufacture. Soon thereafter the Troy Trailer Company induced another paper mill to install the same system, and the company is now manufacturing these trailers for the market.

Captain Galloway is a Mason, belongs to the Denison University Chapter of Kappa Sigma college fraternity, to the Xenia Kiwanis Club, and to the United Presbyterian Church of Cedarville. He is teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class of that church.

On July 7, 1917, Captain Galloway was married, at Chicago, to Miss Lucile Summers, a daughter of Rev. M. A. and Belle (Langfitt) Summers, the former for a long period engaged in missionary work for the Baptist denomination in West Virginia, was later in charge of the parish of his denomination at Nowata, Oklahoma, where he built a beautiful modern church edifice, and is now pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ironton, Ohio.

Mrs. Galloway was graduated from the Parkersburg, West Virginia High School in 1911, and from Denison University in 1915 with the degree of Bachelor of Science. For one year she was engaged in teaching school in Oklahoma, and for another year she was a teacher in the Cathedral School of Havana, Cuba. She has the distinction of belonging to the Kappa Phi Sorority of Denison University and to the Delta Omicron National Musical Sorority. When she abandoned her profession at the time of her marriage, a most efficient educator was lost. In this work she displayed inherited capability for her mother be-

fore her had been a teacher. Eligible to membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. Galloway is a charter member of the Cedarville Chapter, for which a charter has been applied. Captain and Mrs. Galloway have two children: Rebecca, who was born while her father was in France, and Dorothy.

Captain Galloway, as might be expected, is very active in the American Legion, and is past commander of the local post. He is at present president of the Community League, and is unceasing in his efforts to advance the general welfare of Cedarville, as well as to promote the prosperity of the employes of his plant. It is but fair to state that in all of his industrial improvement work he is ably seconded by Harlow G. Funsett, assistant general manager and superintendent, graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

William A. Cooper. The village of Piketon, Pike County, has a population and a complement of varied business interests, industrial and mercantile, that contribute directly to the important functions of the local postoffice, the affairs of which are under the able administration of William A. Cooper, whose appointment to the office of postmaster was received December 14, 1921. A native son of Piketon, he received the most loyal support in connection with his application for this office and his popularity in Pike County rests not alone on his sterling personal characteristics but also on the splendid record he made as a representative of the county in overseas service in the World war.

Mr. Cooper was born at Piketon, on the 14th of March, 1893, a son of Samuel and Effie G. (Wiltshire) Cooper, both of whom likewise claim the old Buckeye State as the place of their nativity. The first representative of the Cooper family in this state come from Germantown, Kentucky, and the original American representatives of the Wiltshire family came from England and made settlement in Maryland. William and Elizabeth Wiltshire were the grandparents of Mr. Cooper on his mother's side. Alfred and Hannah (Chestnut) Cooper, paternal grandparents of the subject of this sketch, were born and reared in Ohio, and here Alfred Cooper gave the greater part of his active career to farm industry. Samuel Cooper and his wife now reside at Piketon, where he served five years as city marshal, he having previously been engaged in farm enterprise in this county. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is a republican in politics, and he and his wife hold membership in the Presbyterian Church. Of the two children William A., the Piketon postmaster, is the elder, and the younger is Ina, who here remains at the parental home. The father of Samuel Cooper went forth from Ohio as a loyal soldier of the Union in the Civil war, and his grandson, the subject of this review, later found opportunity to add new military and warfare honors to the family name.

In 1911 William A. Cooper was graduated from the Piketon High School, and thereafter he here clerked one year in a store conducted by one of his uncles. He then took a normal course in the local high school, and after thus fortifying himself for the pedagogic profession he continued a successful teacher in the public schools until the nation entered the World war and the call of patriotism led him to enlist promptly for service. His enlistment occurred April 28, 1917, the month in which the United States became formally identified with the great conflict, and he was assigned to the Eighty-third Division of the United States Army, with which he proceeded to the stage of conflict oversea. On arriving in France Mr. Cooper was transferred to the One Hundred and Second United States Infantry, Twenty-sixth Division, with which he was at Marne two days, and for four days at the front in the famous Chateau Thierry sector. Thereafter he took part in the St. Mihiel drive, in which he was somewhat severely gassed, but he accompanied his command to Verdun, where physical conditions, as a result of the gas attack, led to his being officially pronounced unfit for further duty at the front. With this decision came his transfer to the base hospital at Raimecourt, where he remained one month under treatment. He then insisted on joining his company, and prepared to take this action, but the military surgeons declared him still unfit for active service, with the result that he was ordered to return to the United States. He landed in the port of New York City on the 2d of April, 1919, was thence sent to debarkation hospital No. 3, and from the latter proceeded to Fort Sheridan, Illinois, whence he was transferred to Camp Sherman, Ohio, where he received his honorable discharge on the 7th of May, 1919. He then returned to Piketon, and he continued as a teacher in the schools of his native county until he was appointed postmaster, December 14, 1921, for the regulation term of four years. Mr. Cooper is aligned staunchly in the ranks of the republican party, and is actively affiliated with the American Legion. His name is still enrolled on the roster of eligible young bachelors in Pike County.

Clarence V. Yaple, D. D. S., is not only a native son of Ross County but also has the distinction of being a representative of a family that was here founded in the early pioneer epoch, when this section of Ohio was still a forest wilderness. The Doctor's paternal grandfather, John Yaple, was born in Pennsylvania, in the year 1801, and from the old Keystone State he came with his family to Ohio in an early day, the journey having been made with teams and wagons, by means of which not only his family but also a goodly supply of household effects, as well as minor farm implements, found an effective medium of overland transportation, long before the day of railway construction through the new country. He made settlement in Colerain Township, Ross County, where he reclaimed and developed a productive farm and where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives, he having been seventy-three years of age at the time of his death. It was on this old home farm that William F. Yaple, father of Doctor Yaple, was born, the date of his nativity having been June 15, 1845, and he having passed his entire life in this county, where he was a substantial and prosperous representative of farm industry and a man of influence in community affairs. He was a stalwart republican, and he and his wife were most zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. One of his brothers entered the service of the Union when the Civil war was precipitated on the nation. and met his death on the field in the historic battle of Gettysburg. William F. Yaple as a young man married Miss Eliza A. Leasure, a daughter of Thomas and Mary (Jones) Leasure. Thomas Leasure came from Pennsylvania to Ohio about the year 1810, and became one of the pioneer settlers and farmers of Pickaway County, where he and his wife remained until their death, he having died at the age of seventy-seven years. The death of William F. Yaple occurred in 1907, and his widow passed to the life eternal in the year 1922. A brief record concerning their fine family of children is consistently entered here: Dr. Sherman T. married Jessie Terry, and they have two sons; Francis W. married Jeannette Reid, and they have one son and one daughter; Della L. is the widow of William Ashworth; Effie E. is the wife of Newton Strait and they have two sons; Mary B. is the wife of Daniel Watson, and they have one son and one daughter;

Harley E. married Maude Hassenflu and they have one son and two daughters; Willard A. married Bertha Wheeler, and of their six children three sons and two daughters are living; Dr. Clarence V., of this review, was the next in order of birth; Melvin L. married Mable Steffenhagen, and they have one son; Leland H. married Viola Miller, and they have one son and one daughter.

In September, 1908, Dr. Yaple wedded Miss Nellie L. Lynch, daughter of Marcus L. and Keziah (McGuire) Lynch, of Ross County, where the father still resides, Mrs. Lynch having died in 1922. Doctor and Mrs. Yaple have no children.

STARLING E. KAY, doctor of dental surgery at Chillicothe, has had a large and profitable practice in that city since he returned from overseas, where he was on duty as a captain in the Dental Corps during the World war.

Captain Kay is a native Ohioan, born at Taylorsville, Highland County, March 9, 1890, son of Lee and Sophia (Sauner) Kay. The Kay family is of English ancestry and settled in Pennsylvania early in the seventeenth century. The Sauner family came from France and located at Mowrystown, Ohio, in 1848. Lee Kay, who died July 12, 1921, was a farmer and was a Union soldier throughout the Civil war in the Ohio infantry. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The mother, Sophia (Sauner) Kay, is still living. There are four children, all married, Homer S., Edward M., Elizabeth A. and Startling E.

Dr. S. E. Kay was reared on a farm, attended the public schools of Taylorsville, and in 1909 graduated from the high school at Mowrystown. He took a course in dental surgery in Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tennessee, where he was graduated Doctor of Divinity in 1916. For a year he remained at Nashville engaged in practice associated with Dr. J. A. Dale.

On August 17, 1917, Doctor Kay was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Dental Corps, and was assigned to the Eighty-third Division at Camp Sherman. He was in training there seven months, and went overseas with the Eighty-third Division, which landed at Liverpool, June 22, 1918, and crossed the channel to LaHavre, France, July 1, 1918, and he was assigned duty at LeMans in American Hospital No. 52. He was there until February, 1919, and was then sent to Chateau-du-Loir Hospital No. 72, where on February 22 he was commissioned captain. He was on duty overseas until June 30, 1919, when he sailed for home, reaching Newport News July 12, and after a week at Camp Dix was allowed a two weeks leave of absence and his honorable discharge was granted August 9, 1919, at Camp Sherman.

Doctor Kay came to Chillicothe and opened his offices October 20, 1919, and in less than five years has become one of the busiest professional men in the city. He is a member of the Rehwinkel Dental Society, the Ohio State and National Dental Society, the American Legion, the Kiwanis Club, the Athletic Club and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His church is the Methodist.

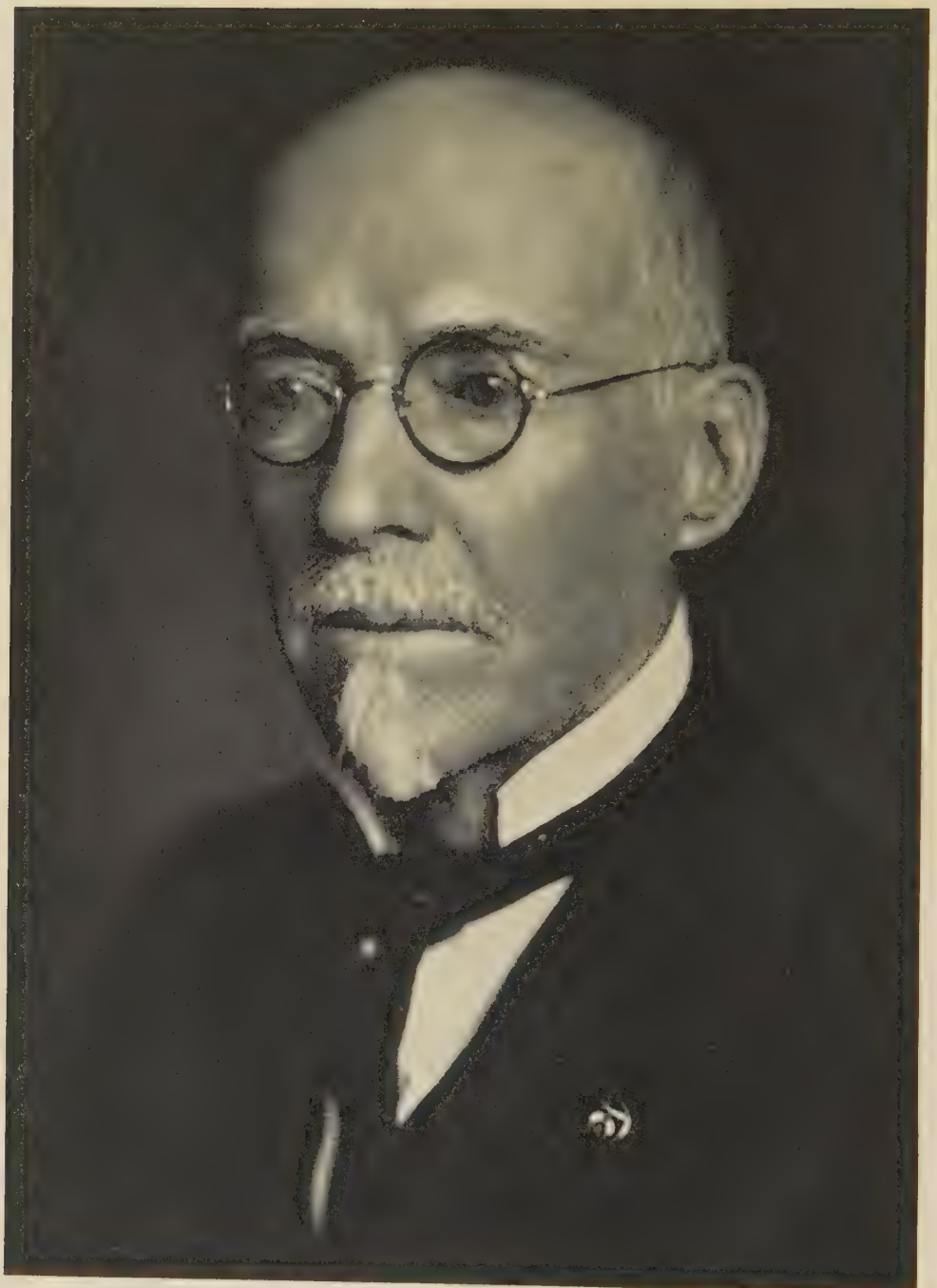
On January 8, 1921, at Chillicothe, Doctor Kay married Miss Muriel Schauseil, daughter of John C. and Clara (Stout) Schauseil. Her father is a farmer and coal dealer at Waverly in Pike County, Ohio. Mrs. Kay has one brother, Guy. The daughter of Doctor and Mrs. Kay is named Clara Bell, and she was born August 5, 1923.

ALPHONSO I. CAHILL, deputy county auditor of Ross County, was born at Chillicothe, and was one of Ross County's officers in the World war, going overseas with the famous Rainbow Division and rising to to the rank of lieutenant in the chemical warfare division. He is past commander of the American Legion Post at Chillicothe.

He was born in that city, October 31, 1892, son of Thomas and Nellie I. (Ireland) Cahill, residents of Chillicothe, where his father until he retired was in the retail shoe business. The grandparents, Matthew and Mollie (Fleschner) Cahill, came from County Cork, Ireland, to the United States about 1860, settling in Covington, Kentucky, and moving to Ohio about 1865. The maternal grandparents, Alphonso and Sarah J. (Butler) Ireland, were of English ancestry, the Ireland family having come to the United States in early Colonial times and settled in Pennsylvania, moving to Ohio about 1852. The Cahill family is of Catholic affiliation. Alphonso I. Cahill has one brother, Thomas, who married Gertrude Jones.

Alphonso I. Cahill attended the public schools at Chillicothe, graduating from high school in 1911, and pursued a business course in the Chillicothe Business College. He was employed in the cost department of the Portsmouth Steel Company until 1913, and then, returning to Chillicothe, assisted his father in the shoe business.

On April 6, 1917, the day after America declared war against Germany, Mr. Cahill enlisted as a private in Company H of the Fourth Regiment of the Ohio National Guard, which was mustered into the national army as Company H of the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry. It was sent to Camp Mills, and on September 1, 1917, was mobilized with the Forty-second or Rainbow Division, sailing for overseas and landing in France October 31, 1917. Mr. Cahill was in the Vaux Legrande Department of Meuse in training until December 1, 1917, when he was assigned as a student in the Army Training School at Langres, France, department of Haute Marne. He remained at Langres until March 16, 1918, and was assigned to active duty with the One Hundred First Infantry in the French army at the line at Chemin des Dames, south of Soissons, one of the points where the Germans concentrated their great offensive drive beginning March 21, 1918. From this point Sergeant Cahill was withdrawn and was put with the French troops that were rushed north and thrown into the gap made by the retreat of the Fifth British Army. Later he returned to Langres, and on May 8, 1918, was commissioned second lieutenant of infantry. Going north to Abbeville and joining the Eighty-second Division, he served one month with Company M, of the Three Hundred Twenty-seventh Infantry, and was then ordered transferred to the Eightieth Division and assigned to Company D of the Three Hundred Nineteenth Infantry. He went into battle line with the First Battalion of the Three Hundred Nineteenth in the Ayette sector, where the first battalion was brigaded with the Second Highland Light Infantry of the British Army. He remained on that line until August 26, 1918. At that time they were exposed to a heavy fire from gas shells of the yellow cross and blue cross mixture. During this gas attack the battalion major ordered Mr. Cahill to gas duty to look after the battalion, and he moved Company A and part of Company C into higher position and was very successful in preventing any casualties. Word of his good work got to headquarters and the chemical warfare headquarters, and he was soon relieved of duty with the battalion and detailed for the chemical warfare service. With the Eightieth Division he moved south, participating in the St. Mihiel offensive, and was then ordered to the Thirty-sixth Division as assistant division gas officer, joining the Thirty-sixth at Bar-sur-Aube. This division moved into line in the Champagne sector on September 22, in conjunction with the Second Division, these two



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American divisions being under the command of General Gouraud, who recently toured America, and participated in the campaign offensive at Blanc Mont and Medeah farm. The Thirty-sixth Division advanced to the Aisne River, and on November 2, withdrew and moved south to the second army and was at Conde-en-Barrois when the armistice was signed. Just two days earlier, on November 9th, Mr. Cahill was promoted to first lieutenant in the chemical warfare service. Subsequently he was ordered to report to the chief of the chemical warfare service at Tours, and was assigned duty as assistant to the chief gas officer of the Third Army Corps and with it moved into Germany. About March 15, 1919, he was ordered to the United States, landing at Hoboken, April 17, and was sent to Camp Lakehurst, New Jersey, receiving his honorable discharge May 2, 1919.

On returning to Chillicothe Mr. Cahill resumed his place in his father's store until March, 1923, when he was appointed deputy county auditor.

On September 16, 1919, at St. Louis, Missouri, soon after his return from overseas, Mr. Cahill married Miss Ella Catherine Ruhl, daughter of John and Elizabeth Ruhl, of St. Louis, where her parents reside. Her father is clerk of court of St. Louis County, is active in public affairs there and a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Cahill is the only one of the six children of her parents married, the others being George, John, Albert, Laura and Cora. Mr. and Mrs. Cahill have one son, Thomas Ruhl.

Mr. Cahill is a member of the Episcopal Church. He is a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge at Chillicothe, and has served as commander of Post No. 62 of the American Legion. He is active in the affairs of the Kiwanis Club.

THOMAS J. KENNEDY was born in the City of Ironton, Lawrence County, Ohio, February 2, 1877, and here he is now a prominent and successful representative of the real estate and insurance business, besides which his executive ability as secretary of the Home Building & Loan Association has had potent influence in the development of the substantial business of this corporation, the assests of which now aggregate more than one million dollars.

Mr. Kennedy is a son of Thomas and Adelaide (Chamberlain) Kennedy, the former of whom was born in County Galway, Ireland, and the latter was born in the Dominion of Canada, of French and English ancestry. The father of Thomas Kennedy died in Ireland, and the son later came with his widowed mother to the United States. It was in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, that he wedded Miss Adelaide Chamberlain, who had accompanied her parents on their removal from Canada to that city. After his marriage, Thomas Kennedy came to Ironton, and here as a skilled iron-worker in the local mills he continued to be employed many years, both he and his wife having died in this city.

Thomas J. Kennedy continued to attend the public schools of Ironton until he was seventeen years old, his discipline having included the curriculum of the high school. Soon after leaving school he turned his attention to industrial insurance. He continued as a successful representative of his company for a period of ten years, and since 1904 he has conducted at Ironton an independent insurance business of general order, his activities having been extended also to the real estate business, and his operations in both departments being now large and important. In 1911 Mr. Kennedy organized the Home Building & Loan Association, of which he has continuously served as secretary—the chief executive in the development of the large business and effective service of this corporation.

Mr. Kennedy is known and valued as one of the specially loyal and liberal citizens of Ironton, has taken lively interest in all that concerns the civic and material welfare of his native city, and had the distinction of serving as its mayor in the year 1912. He is a member of the Rotary Club, has received the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite of the Masonic fraternity, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and he is a popular member of Ironton Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He and his wife are communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

In September, 1898, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Kennedy and Miss Emma Mittendorf, daughter of A. H. and Henrietta (Duis) Mittendorf, who still maintain their home at Ironton, Mr. Mittendorf being one of the substantial capitalists of this city, where his financial interests are large and varied and where he is president of the Citizens National Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy have two children, Lowell G., who is associated with his father in the real estate and insurance business, is a graduate of the military academy maintained at Bliss College, Kentucky. Adelaide, a graduate of the Ironton High School and of Brenau College of Gainesville, Georgia, is now taking an advanced course in music at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music (1923).

WALTER D. HANCOCK, M. D. A retired physician and surgeon at Hamilton, Doctor Hancock began his professional work in Butler County, half a century ago. His career has represented a long round of continued labor and useful service to his fellow men.

Doctor Hancock was born in Butler County, May 25, 1847, oldest child of Alfred and Emeline (De Camp) Hancock. He represents old and patriotic American ancestry. His father was born in Riley Township, Butler County, one of the ten sons of Joel and Jane (Lintner) Hancock, Joel being a veteran of the War of 1812 and a pioneer settler in Butler County. The mother of Doctor Hancock was a daughter of Walter and Sally (Bird) De Camp, and granddaughter of Ezekial and Mary (Baker) De Camp, who came from New Jersey. One of her ancestors was Captain John Baker, who came from England in 1660 and was chief military officer by appointment in 1665 at Albany. A descendant of Capt. John Baker was Daniel Baker, a Revolutionary soldier. Ezekial De Camp came overland from New Jersey to Butler County, where in 1812 other members of the family joined him.

Walter D. Hancock attended public schools at Millville in Butler County, continued his higher education in Miami University, from which in 1869 he received the Bachelor of Arts degree. His ambition from early youth had been directed toward a medical career and after completing the Liberal Arts course, he entered Miami Medical College at Cincinnati where he graduated and followed that with a post graduate course in the University of Vienna. Doctor Hancock, thoroughly well equipped for his career, located at Millville and began practice there, and was soon in the enjoyment of a flourishing business and a position of unusual esteem in the community.

It was the recognition of his ability and service that Miami University, through one of its officials sent in the following letter dated at Oxford, Ohio, July 23, 1887:

"Dr. W. D. Hancock.

"My dear Sir: Your Alma Mater at the last commencement, duly mindful of her sons, and without solicitation on your part or charge on hers, and in recognition of good talents usefully employed in the general interest of society, conferred on you the degree of Master of Arts. I take pleasure in ofh-

cially communicating to you the unanimous action of the Faculty and Board of Trustees.

"Very respectfully, R. W. McFarland."

Doctor Hancock married in 1876, Miss Sally Oliver, only daughter of John and Ellen (Cassidy) Oliver, the former a native of Flemingsburg, Kentucky, and the latter of Eaton, Ohio. The only child born to Doctor and Mrs. Hancock was Miss Nellie, now deceased. Doctor Hancock is a Knight Templar and Thirty-second Degree Scottish Rite Mason, being a member of the Commandery at Hamilton and the Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cincinnati. He is a democrat, a Presbyterian, and during the World war, served as a member of the Medical Reserve Corps.

CLARENCE G. MASSIE was elected county engineer of Lawrence County in November, 1922, and prior to his assumption of the office under this election he served out the unexpired term of his predecessor, Frederick Davis, who resigned.

Mr. Massie was born at Arabia, a village near Ironton, Lawrence County, on the 9th of March, 1889, and is a son of the late Gaines P. and Mary E. (Neal) Massie. The Massie family was founded in Southern Ohio in the early pioneer days and has been prominently and worthily identified with the development of this part of the Buckeye State, especially along the course of the Ohio River. Major Massie, an ancestor of the subject of this sketch, platted and thus became the virtual founder of the now progressive City of Portsmouth, in Scioto County, he having also served as an officer in the War of 1812.

Gaines P. Massie, whose death occurred December 19, 1920, was born in Scioto County, and as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war he became a member of Company H, Ninth West Virginia Volunteer Infantry. In one of the raids of the troops under command of the Confederate general, John Morgan, Mr. Massie was wounded and captured, and and he was confined seven months in Libby Prison, Richmond, Virginia, where he endured many hardships, his wounded leg having failed to receive proper attention and he having also suffered an attack of measles. His exchange was finally effected and he then returned home, his honorable discharge having followed in due course. After his marriage he continued for many years as one of the representative farmers of Lawrence County, and he was one of the substantial and highly respected citizens of this county at the time of his death, his wife having preceded him to eternal rest, and Clarence G., of this sketch, being the youngest in their family of six sons and three daughters. The parents were zealous members of the United Brethren Church.

The public schools of Lawrence County afforded Clarence G. Massie his early education, which included a course in high school. At the age of nineteen years he received a teacher's certificate, and thereafter he taught one year of district school. He then resumed his active association with the work of his father's farm, where he continued his activities five years. He was then appointed a road-work inspector in the service of the state highway department, and after one year of service in this capacity he was advanced to the position of superintendent of highway construction. He made in this executive position a splendid record and continued his service seven years—until his election in 1922 to his present office of county engineer, his previous experience having excellently equipped him for the work of this important office, in which he is giving a characteristically progressive and efficient administration. He is in politics a staunch republican. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Improved Order of Red Men and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

August 11, 1917, recorded the marriage of Mr. Massie and Miss Clara B. Dillon, who was born and reared in Lawrence County, where her father, the late John Dillon, was a prosperous farmer and where the widowed mother, whose maiden name was Jane Dawson, still resides, she being a devoted member of the United Brethren Church, as was also her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Massie have two children, Maxine and Clarence G., Jr.

ISAAC A. RYAN, general superintendent of the Belfont Steel and Wire Company, and president of the Ryan & Gilfillan Company, the largest automobile business in the City of Ironton, Lawrence County, was born at Coal Grove, this county, on the 31st of October, 1879, a son of Merriam B. and Mary (Griffith) Ryan, and a grandson of Isaac M. and Nancy (James) Ryan, his paternal grandfather having come from Connecticut and made settlement in Southern Ohio. The maternal grandfather of the subject of this review was Andrew Griffith.

Merriam B. Ryan was born and reared in Southern Ohio, and represented this state as one of the gallant young soldiers of the Union in the Civil war. He later became a successful contractor in railroad and highway construction, and for a number of years he was superintendent of the Lawrence County Infirmary. He was influential in the local councils of the republican party, was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Grand Army of the Republic, and was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as is also his widow, who was born in Virginia and who came to Ohio with her parents. The death of Mr. Ryan occurred in 1895, when his son Isaac A., of this sketch, was a lad of fifteen years.

After profiting by the advantages of the public schools of Ironton, Isaac A. Ryan continued a student in the Howe Military Academy, then at Lima, Indiana, but now known as Howe, until he was twenty years of age. He then became associated with the Ironton Door Manufacturing Company, an industrial concern controlled by his widowed mother and his brother-in-law, and with this company he continued his connection until 1900, when he took the position of shipping clerk for the Belfont Steel & Wire Company, with which important corporation at Ironton he has won advancement to the position of general superintendent, an executive office which he has held since 1905. In 1919 Mr. Ryan in addition to his association with the Belfont Steel and Wire Company formed a partnership with D. M. Gilfillan and engaged in the automobile business at Ironton. In 1922, to meet the requirements of the rapidly expanding enterprise, they formed the present Ryan & Gilfillan Corporation, which has the agency for the Hudson and Essex and other automobiles in a territory comprising several counties and which maintains at Ironton the most complete and modern automobile plant in the city, with a full line of accessories and with a well equipped repair department.

Mr. Ryan has gained rank as one of the most loyal and progressive citizens and business men of Ironton, and he gave five years of effective service as safety director of the city. He was the man who instituted the movement which resulted in the construction of the bridge over the Ohio River between Ironton, Ohio, and Russell, Kentucky. In the World war period Mr. Ryan was zealous in the advancing and support of the local patriotic movements of all kinds, and through his executive association with an important manufacturing industry was able still further to render service in furthering the nation's war activities. Mr. Ryan served as chairman of the conservation committee for

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Ohio under the United States fuel administration. He is one of the influential and popular members of the Ironton Chamber of Commerce, of which he is a director, and he is a charter member and a director of the local Rotary Club. He is a past exalted ruler of the Ironton lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a Knight Templar, Scottish Rite and Shrine member of the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife are communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in their home city.

In June, 1903, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Ryan and Miss Nellie Millies, of Ironton, a daughter of H. M. and Mary Millies. Her father, a native of Germany, was associated with the Yellow Poplar Lumber Company of Ironton at the time of his death and his widow is still a resident of Ironton.

LEONARD G. HOWELL, chief of the municipal engineering department of the City of Ironton, Lawrence County, was born in this city on the 15th of January, 1894, and is a son of James M. and Eva C. (Sperry) Howell, both natives of Ohio and now residents of West Virginia, where the father is auditor of the state highway department. James M. Howell is affiliated with the Knights of the Golden Eagle and the Modern Woodmen of America, is a democrat in politics and he and his wife are members of the Baptist Church. He is a son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Derring) Howell, who were residents of Ohio at the time of their death. Mrs. Howell is a daughter of the late Isaac and Olive (Cripps) Sperry, the latter of whom came to Ohio from Pennsylvania. Leonard G. Howell is the eldest in a family of three children, the younger two being Elmer and Olive E.

Leonard G. Howell was graduated from the Ironton High School as a member of the class of 1911, and he then entered Denison University, at Granville, Ohio, in which institution he completed a thorough course in civil engineering and was graduated in 1915, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. In the following year he was appointed chief city engineer of Ironton, and he has since continued his efficient administration in this office. He is a member of the Ironton Chamber of Commerce and the local Rotary Club, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife hold membership in the Baptist Church.

In October, 1916, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Howell and Miss Fay Henry, daughter of the late Levi M. and Victoria (Payne) Henry, both of whom died at Ironton, where Mr. Henry had been a successful contractor and builder. Mr. and Mrs. Howell have two children: Leonard Henry and James Edwin.

WAYNE L. ELKINS of Ironton, Lawrence County, is not only one of the representative members of the bar of his native county, but is also giving at the present time a most effective administration in the office of prosecuting attorney of the county. He was born at South Point, this county, December 27, 1886, and in this county his parents, Oscar M. and Caroline M. (Stanley) Elkins, still maintain their home, both having been born and reared in Ohio. Oscar M. Elkins is a son of William and Julia (Brubaker) Elkins, and his wife is a daughter of Frederick and Dora Stanley, of German lineage. The Elkins family in Ohio is of the same ancestry as the influential Virginia and West Virginia family of this name. In earlier life Oscar M. Elkins gave his attention to farm industry, and he is now a successful contractor and builder in Lawrence County, he being a skilled workman at the carpenter's trade. He has served as township assessor and is now a member of the Board of Education of his home township, and also of the South Point Delta High School. Of the two children, the subject of this sketch is the only son, the daughter being Irene Elizabeth. Miss Elkins was graduated from the Beechwood School in Pennsylvania and was a successful teacher of physical culture. She is now attending Ohio State University at Columbus.

In the public schools of his native village Wayne Elkins acquired his early education. At the age of eighteen years he received a teacher's certificate, and thereafter he continued his successful service as a teacher in the schools of Lawrence County during a period of five years. In the meanwhile he initiated the study of law, and in the last year of his work as a teacher he passed the summer vacation as a student in Marshall College at Huntington, West Virginia, and he likewise took a summer course in the law department of the Ohio Northern University at Ada, besides continuing his legal studies under effective private preceptorship. He taught part of a year in the Ohio State Reformatory, and thereafter held for one year a position with the government department of commerce and labor in Washington, D. C., where he availed himself of the advantages of the Hickman School of Oratory, in which he studied oratory. He next completed a two years' course in the law department of the Ohio Northern University, from which he received in 1913 his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in June of the same year, and in April, 1914, he established himself in the practice of his profession at Ironton. In 1922 he formed a professional alliance with the law firm of Johnson & Jones, with which he continued his connection until he assumed the office of prosecuting attorney of Lawrence County, to which he was elected in November, 1922. During his term of office there were 250 convictions and $25,000 in fines collected. In the World war period Mr. Elkins served as a member of the Advisory Board of Lawrence County, and was connected also with the government secret service department, in connection with allotments made to dependents upon men called into the national military and naval service.

Mr. Elkins is a stalwart advocate of the principles of the democratic party. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Masonic fraternity, including the local chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, of which he was the worthy patron at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1923, his wife likewise being a valued member of this chapter, and was worthy matron of South Point chapter for 1922 and 1923. Both hold membership in the Baptist Church.

At Charleston, West Virginia, on the 2d of September, 1911, Mr. Elkins wedded Miss Daisy Irene McClure, who was born and reared in Ohio. Her parents, Charles W. and Blanche (Robinson) McClure reside at Huntington, West Virginia. Mrs. Elkins was a successful teacher in the public schools prior to her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Elkins have two children, Leonard M. and Warren G., aged respectively nine and five years, in 1923.

ROBERT C. PATTERSON. Prior to assuming his present office, that of judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Montgomery County, Judge Patterson had made a specially excellent record of service as prosecuting attorney of the county and gained precedence as one of the leading members of the bar of the City of Dayton. On the bench of the Common Pleas Court his rulings have been marked by a fine appreciation of equity and justice and a broad and accurate knowledge of law and precedent, with the result that few of his decisions have been reversed by courts of higher jurisdiction.

Judge Patterson was born on the parental homestead farm, in Jefferson Township, Montgomery County, Ohio, and the date of his nativity was May

9, 1873. His parents were born in Ireland and were young folk when they came to the United States. William J. Patterson, father of the Judge, was born in the year 1831, received his youthful education in the schools of his native land, and was nineteen years of age when he came from the Emerald Isle to the United States, in 1850, and established his residence in Montgomery County, Ohio. Here he was successfully engaged in farm enterprise at the inception of the Civil war, and he enlisted for service in defense of the Union. In the state militia he became sergeant of Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry, but his regiment was not called to the front. Thereafter he continued as one of the substantial farmers and honored citizens of Montgomery County until his death. His wife preceded him in death by one year. He was for forty years one of the leading teachers and educators of his county.

Like many another young man who was destined to achieve success in professional life, Judge Patterson found the period of his childhood and early youth compassed by the invigorating influences and discipline of the farm, and in the meanwhile he attended the district schools of his native township until he had attained to the age of eighteen years. Thereafter he was graduated in the Steele High School at Dayton, as a member of the class of 1895, and in consonance with his ambition and well formulated plans he then entered the Cincinnati Law School. In this institution he was graduated in 1897, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, and in the same year he was admitted to the Ohio bar, at Dayton, and in this city he initiated the active practice of his profession. He formed a law partnership with his brother, John C. Patterson, and Barry S. Murphy, and after the withdrawal of Mr. Murphy from the firm its title continued as Patterson & Patterson until the death of John C. Patterson on the 21st of March, 1905. Thereafter Judge Patterson continued in individual practice, and from 1909 to 1912 he served as assistant prosecuting attorney of his native county. In the latter year he was elected prosecuting attorney, and the estimate placed upon his administration in this office was significantly shown in his reelection in 1914. He proved a most vigorous and resourceful prosecutor, and within his regime in this office he prosecuted the Mason fraud case, a cause celebre, and effected the conviction of Mason. This case, that of the State of Ohio versus H. G. Mason, whose right name was Clay Wilson, was appealed to the Ohio Supreme Court, which confirmed the decision of the lower court. For thirty years Mason, or Wilson, had been engaged in swindling operations, in virtually all parts of the United States, and he had escaped arrest during all these years up to the time of his trial in the court of Montgomery County.

In 1916 further honors were paid to Judge Patterson in his native county, in his election to his present position on the bench of the Court of Common Pleas, he having been reelected in 1922, by more than 4,000 majority.

Judge Patterson is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Sons of Veterans. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party. He is a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and his wife is a communicant of the Catholic Church. In the World war period Judge Patterson was a Montgomery County leader in advancing patriotic activities, including the drives in support of the government war loans, Red Cross and Young Men's Christian Association work, etc.

On the 9th of October, 1906, was solemnized the marriage of Judge Patterson to Miss Katharine M. Ryan, daughter of John and Mary (Ready) Ryan, of Dayton, where her father served many years as city marshal and where he was held in unqualified popular confidence and esteem. Mrs. Patterson was graduated in the Dayton High School, and prior to her marriage was for several years an efficient and popular teacher in the schools of this city. She is prominent in the social and cultural circles of Dayton, where she holds membership in the Dayton Council of Catholic Women and also the Poetry Club. Judge and Mrs. Patterson have three children: Robert William, who is fifteen years of age at the time of this writing, in the spring of 1924, is junior student in the High School department of the University of Dayton; Mary Elizabeth, nine years old, is attending the Corpus Christi parochial school, and Master John Ford, six years old, is a vigorous pupil in a kindergarten school.

Brook L. Capper owns and conducts the most modern and attractive automobile garage in the City of Ironton, the metropolis and judicial center of Lawrence County, and here he has the agency for the Ford automobiles, his establishment being equipped with full lines of accessories and supplies for the "universal cars" for which he is here the representative.

Mr. Capper was born on a farm in Lawrence County, August 17, 1878, and is a son of Vincent and Addie B. (Smith) Capper, the former of whom is deceased and the latter maintains her home at Huntington, West Virginia, she having contracted a second marriage. Vincent Capper was a successful farmer and also a contractor in highway construction, his having been secure status as one of the substantial and highly esteemed citizens of Lawrence County at the time of his death, September 10, 1882. Of the five children, Melissa, the first born, is deceased; Sarah E. is married and resides in the City of Springfield, Illinois; Brook L., of this review, was the next in order of birth; Minnie is married and resides at Huntington, West Virginia; and Mahala is deceased. Vincent Capper was a democrat in politics, and his religious faith was that of the Baptist Church. He was born and reared in Ohio, a son of Joshua and Sarah Eleanor (Perkins) Capper, the Capper family having early been founded in Pennsylvania, whence came the original representatives in Ohio. The maternal grandparents of Brook L. Capper were Hiram and Sarah (Billips) Smith, who came to Ohio from what is now the State of West Virginia.

Brook L. Capper attended the district schools at intervals until he was sixteen years of age, and thereafter he was employed in connection with road construction work in Windsor Township, a line of enterprise with which he continued his association until he attained to the age of twenty years. For two years thereafter he conducted a grocery store in Scott Township, and he then sold this business and gave two years to the active management of the farm which he had previously purchased, and on which he simultaneously maintained a general store which gained good support in that rural district. He continued this general mercantile business eight years, and then sold the establishment and business. He had by this time become the owner of three farms in his native county, and on one of these he erected a modern house and barn and made the place an attractive home for his family. In connection with the general operations of his farms he was for two years engaged in the buying and selling of live stock, with special attention given to dealing in horses.

Upon his election to the office of county commissioner he removed with his family to Ironton, the county seat, and in this position he served two terms,

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with characteristic loyalty and efficiency. Governor Willis then appointed him an investigator of state liquor licenses, a position which he retained three years. In the meanwhile he engaged in the automobile business at Ironton, in December, 1915, and after having here held the agency for several other makes of automobiles he finally obtained the local agency for the Ford automobiles, to the distribution of which he now confines his activities, his being the finest and largest garage in Ironton.

Mr. Capper is well fortified in his opinions concerning economic and governmental affairs, and gives staunch allegiance to the republican party. He is affiliated with both York and Scottish Rite bodies of the Masonic fraternity, and also the Mystic Shrine, and is a member also of the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He is a valued member of the Ironton Chamber of Commerce and is known as a loyal and liberal citizen and progressive business man. He and his wife hold membership in the Christian Church.

April 21, 1900, recorded the marriage of Mr. Capper and Miss Elizabeth Edwards, who likewise was born and reared in Lawrence County, she being a daughter of Mahlon and Rose (Morrison) Edwards, both natives of Ohio. Mr. Edwards is one of the substantial farmers of Lawrence County, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a member of the Christian Church, as was also his wife, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Capper have five children: Olive, Lucile, Juanita, Edith and Rosemary. The eldest daughter is the wife of Wymer Carroll, of Ironton, and the other children still remain (1923) at the parental home.

William H. Hayes, city auditor of Ironton, spent the greater part of his business life in the iron industry and represents a pioneer family of the Hanging Rock iron region.

He was born at Ironton, December 29, 1854. He is descended from the same Hayes ancestry as the late President Hayes. His father, John Hayes, resembled the President, so that they were taken for brothers, and R. B. Hayes several times visited his connections in Lawrence County. The grandparents of William H. Hayes were Harry and Mary (Hooper) Hayes. John Hayes, father of the city auditor, was one of Ironton's leading men of affairs. He was born in Adams County, Ohio, served as a soldier in the Civil war, and early in life became an iron moulder. He was one of the organizers of the Foster Stove Company of Ironton and one of its directors, and served two terms as county treasurer, but refused renomination. He was a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for fifteen years was superintendent of the Sunday school, and belonged to the Odd Fellows. John Hayes, who died February 19, 1921, married Elizabeth Ormston, who was born in Ireland, daughter of Thomas and Jane (Graham) Ormston, who brought her to this country when she was five years of age. She passed her ninety-third birthday in May, 1923. Her eight children are: James F., William H., T. J. Hayes, Mrs. Laura E. Prior, Mrs. Florence Drayer, Ralph O., Sarah E. and Mrs. Mary E. Williams.

William H. Hayes was reared at Ironton, attended the public schools, and after one year in high school went into the foundry with his father and learned the moulder's trade. He followed this business for thirty-five years. For seven years he was superintendent of the Richmond Stove Company's plant at Richmond, Virginia. After returning to Ironton he became sanitary director of the city, and held that post until he was elected city auditor in 1921, and two years later was reelected to that office without opposition.

Mr. Hayes is a member of the Presbyterian Church, the church of his ancestors, while his wife and children are Methodists. He has been an Odd Fellow forty-two years, has filled all the chairs in the local lodge and sat as a representative in the Ohio Grand Lodge, also in the Grand Encampment of the United States. He and Mrs. Hayes became the parents of five children. The oldest son, Howard, who was in the undertaking business at Steubenville, Ohio, died February 23, 1922. Of the four living children Halford Postal was trained as a soldier for the World war, and while at Camp Meade, Maryland, was stricken with the influenza, from which he has never fully recovered, and is now acting as salesman for the Florida Fruit Company. The daughter Anna W. Ellis, was a clerk in the ordnance department at Washington during the war. She is the wife of Professor R. S. Ellis, of Knoxville, Tennessee. John C., a salesman for the Chevrolet car, was also in the late war. Alice E., is a clerk in the safety and service department of the City of Ironton.

Merle Ernest Rudy. In the twelve years comprising his active membership at the Akron bar Merle Ernest Rudy has achieved a practice of large proportions, including some of the important land and financial interests of this vicinity.

Mr. Rudy was born at Dalton, Wayne County, Ohio, September 25, 1885, son of Levi S. and Eliza Ellen (Erwin) Rudy. Both his parents were born in Wayne County. His maternal grandfather, Cunningham Erwin, was born in the same county, while his paternal grandfather, David Rudy, settled there early on coming from Pennsylvania.

Merle E. Rudy acquired a public school education at Dalton, completing his high school work there in 1903. For three years he was a teacher, and from 1906 to 1909, attended Wooster University in his native county. In 1909 he entered the law school in the University of Michigan, taking his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1912, and in the same year was admitted to the Ohio bar and located at Akron to engage in general practice. His offices for a number of years have been in the Second National Bank Building. In addition to his other clientage Mr. Rudy is counsel for the Mutual Savings & Loan Company, the Wayne Ohio Company, the State Land Company and the Northern Reserve Land Company, all Akron business corporations. He is a member of the Summit County, Ohio State and American Bar associations, and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and University Club. He and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian Church.

On August 18, 1910, at Wooster, Ohio, Mr. Rudy married Miss Martha Appleman, daughter of Robert Appleman. They have two daughters, Jane Ellen and Dorothy, and a son, Merle Ernest, Jr.

George E. Brandon, who has made a notable record as a mining and industrial engineer, is superintendent of the Solway plant at Ironton in Lawrence County and one of the progressive citizens of that community.

Mr. Brandon was born in Normandy, Tennessee, April 8, 1892, son of Samuel and Sarah (Hoffman) Brandon. His father is of old Virginia ancestry, son of John and Harriet (Riggins) Brandon. His mother is of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry, a daughter of George Hoffman. Samuel Brandon is one of the most prominent men in the agricultural affairs of his community of Tennessee. He is president of the Tennessee Farmers Organization, has been a member of the State Legislature, and during the late war

was appointed by President Wilson as chairman of the exemption board. He has served on the school board for years, is an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. He and his wife had eight children, five sons and three daughters: Walter, who has two children, Nell and Katherine; Horace, deceased; Lonnie, who went overseas in the Thirtieth Division, was at Ypres and along the Hindenburg line, was wounded and gassed, and is now located at Fowlertown, Texas; Albert, connected with the Midvaile Steel Company at Johnstown, Pennsylvania; Lillian, a teacher of domestic science at Clarksburg, West Virginia; Glyndon and Emma, both students in the Marysville College at Marysville, Tennessee.

George E. Brandon, fourth son of the family, was educated in public schools, prepared for college in the Fitzgeralds-Clark School at Tullahoma, Tennessee, graduated in 1913 from Ruskin College at Ruskin, Tennessee, and then entered Vanderbilt University, taking the general engineering course and graduating in 1915. After leaving the university he spent two years as a mining engineer with the Bon Air Coal Company at Bon Air, Tennessee, and for three years was assistant superintendent of the Chattanooga Coke and Gas Company of Chattanooga. Since then his work as an industrial engineer has been in connection with plants employing the Solvay process. He became general inspector for the seventeen plants operated in the United States by the Semet Solvay Coke Company, and since June, 1922, has been superintendent of the plant at Ironton known as the Ironton By-Product Coke Company.

Mr. Brandon is a member of the Rotary Club at Ironton, and has joined heartily in all public movements there. He married at Normandy, Tennessee, in September, 1913, Miss Clara Smith, daughter of William and Katherine (Russell) Smith. Her father, now deceased, was a farmer and stock man. There were four daughters and one son in the Smith family, but the only son is now deceased, and the other daughters are: Nannie, Hattie and May. Mrs. Brandon is a member of the Christian Church. They have two children, George and Russell Brandon.

Edward F. Myers. Myers is a name that has figured conspicuously in the industrial and commercial life of Ironton for over forty years. Edward F. Myers, who grew up in this section of Southern Ohio, has been an executive in a number of business and industrial corporations, and is now the active head of the Ironton Fire Brick Company.

Mr. Myers is of English birth and ancestry and was born in England, August 22, 1878. His grandparents were Thomas and Mary Myers. In 1881, when he was three years old his parents, Thomas and Ellen (Young) Myers, came to the United States, first locating at Canal Dover, Ohio, and in 1886 removing to Ironton. Thomas Myers, who died in 1916, was an expert miner, and while in England had charge of coal mines. On locating at Ironton he took charge of the building of the gas retorts for the Standard Fire Brick Company, and became superintendent of this plant. He was widely known for his skill in the building of gas retorts, and was a man of successful and progressive characteristics. He was a member of the Church of England. His wife died in 1903. Their children were: John; Thomas and Johsua Henry, who died in infancy; Elizabeth, Thomas, Joshua, Edward, Samuel, Mary, Sylvester, Katherine.

Edward F. Myers while a boy in Ironton attended the public schools, graduating from high school in 1896. For two years after leaving school he clerked in a grocery store, then clerked in the office of the Ironton Fire Brick Company, a business that subsequently went out of existence. He was with that company four and one-half years, until 1903, when he became secretary and treasurer of the Ironton Cross Tie Company, manufactureres and dealers in railroad ties. Three years later he became one of the incorporators of the W. G. Ward Lumber Company, and was secretary and treasurer and actively identified with the management of the business until 1918. Following that he became general manager of the Diamond Lumber Company, and in 1918 he came with the Ironton Fire Brick Company, a new business under an old name, at first as secretary, then secretary-treasurer and general manager, and is now president, treasurer and general manager of this substantial industry.

Mr. Myers was for four years a member of the Ironton City Council. He was one of the organizers of the Rotary Club, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Refractories Manufacturers' Association, and is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He and his family are Methodists.

On October 22, 1913, at Ironton, he married Agnes W. Roberts, daughter of George K. and Catherine (Wells) Roberts, of Gallia County. Her parents are now deceased. Her father was a carpenter. In the Roberts family were three children, Emma, Winifred and Agnes. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Myers are: Thomas R. and Mary Elizabeth.

William C. Paul. Probably no citizen of Lawrence County has exercised more beneficent influence upon the people of that part of Ohio during the last twenty years than William C. Paul. Mr. Paul is a talented educator, has been in school work since early youth, and is the present county superintendent of schools.

He was born in Lawrence County, September 27, 1885, son of Clinton C. and Emma (Willis) Paul. His mother, now deceased, was a daughter of Greenbury Willis, and a relative of the same family as former governor and United States Senator Willis. The Paul family came from old Virginia. The grandparents of William C. Paul were Serdina and G. M. Sallie Paul. Clinton C. Paul has been a lumberman, and for thirty years was engaged in logging timber and is now storekeeper for the Ironton Telephone Company. He is a member of the Baptist Church, and is affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Eagles and Improved Order of Red Men. His first wife, Emma Willis, died when her son William C. was five years old. There was one other child by that marriage, Flora. The second wife of Clinton C. Paul was Flora Eaton, and they have one son, Walter.

William C. Paul attended public schools, graduating from the Lebanon High School at the age of nineteen. He spent three years in Valparaiso University in Indiana, pursuing the scientific course, and for thirteen years he was engaged in teaching in Lawrence County. Five years of this time was spent in district schools, and he was high school principal at Coal Grove and other places. Mr. Paul has also engaged in business affairs, and in 1919, helped to organize the Lawrence Building and Loan Company, of which he was elected secretary. He is also in the insurance business. Mr. Paul in 1923 was elected county superintendent of schools of Lawrence County, and began the duties of that office at Ironton August 1, 1923. In January, 1924, was reelected for the full term of three years. During the World war he was in the service of the Federal Fuel Administration, which had supervision of the distribution of all coal at Russell, Kentucky.

In June, 1912, at Huntington, West Virginia, Mr. Paul married Miss Flora Collier, of Lawrence

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County, Ohio, daughter of John and Rausia (Porter) Collier. Her mother is still living. Her father was a coal miner, was an active member of the Methodist Church and an Odd Fellow. Mrs. Paul is next to the youngest in a family of six children, the others being, James, Charles, Alvin, Calvin and Mabel. All of her brothers were in the World war and overseas at one time. Alvin died of pneumonia on one of the battlefields of France. Mr. and Mrs. Paul's three children are Eloise, Thelma and Helen.

Mr. Paul is a member of the Baptist Church. In Masonry he is affiliated with the Blue Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council and Knight Templar Commandery and Shrine, has filled all the chairs in the Knights of Pythias Lodge and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Junior Order United American Mechanics.

GARRETT S. CLAYPOOL has been an able member of the Ross County bar since 1910. His name became well known over the state recently as candidate for the office of attorney-general. He is a son of the late Horatio C. Claypool, a prominent jurist and congressman of Ohio.

Horatio C. Claypool, who died in 1921, was born at McArthur in Vinton County, Ohio, February 9, 1859, son of John and Rose (Peterson) Claypool. Rose Peterson's father was John F. Peterson, of Crown Point, Indiana. Horatio C. Claypool graduated in 1880 from the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and in 1882 was admitted to the bar. He practiced law at Chillicothe from 1884 until his death, for many years being a member of the firm Claypool and Minshall. For two terms, from 1899 to 1903, he served as prosecuting attorney of Ross County, and was probate judge of the county from 1905 to 1910. In 1910 he was elected democratic representative from the Eleventh Ohio District in Congress, and served two consecutive terms, in the Sixty-second and Sixty-third Congresses, from 1911 to 1915. In 1916 he was again elected to the Sixty-fifth Congress, and served until 1919. Congressman Claypool married Lizzie L. Kile, of Bainbridge, Ross County, Ohio, in 1883. Her father was Dr. Hiram Kile. She lives at Chillicothe and is the mother of four children: Garrett S.; Harold K.; Forest H.; and Vernis, wife of Max Wissler, of Chillicothe. The son Harold married Frances Helfrich.

Garrett S. Claypool was born at Bainbridge in Ross County, September 26, 1884, and has spent practically all his life in Ross County. He was educated in the public schools of Bainbridge and Chillicothe, graduating from high school in 1902. For a time he was a student in the literary department of Ohio State University at Columbus, and took his law course in Cornell University in New York, where he graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1910. After examination he was admitted to the Ohio bar, and for six months was engaged in private practice. When his father resigned, in 1910, the office of probate judge to enter Congress the son was appointed judge of the Probate Court to fill the unexpired term of two and one-half years. Since then he has been engaged in general practice, and has made a mark of special distinction in handling trial cases before the jury. Mr. Claypool was defeated for the nomination for Attorney General of Ohio by a small plurality. As a delegate to the Democratic National Convention of 1924 in New York he made the speech nominating Hon. Bennett C. Clark of Missouri for vice president. During the World war he was a member of the District Draft Board of Southern Ohio, and these duties kept him much of the time in Columbus and at Washington, largely to the neglect of his private practice.

Mr. Claypool is a member of the Presbyterian Church, belongs to the college fraternities Sigma Nu and Phi Delta Phi, and to the Kiwanis Club, the Elks and the Eagles. He has one son, H. Kingdon Claypool, aged thirteen.

LEROY GLENN JOHNSON, one of the young, active and proficient business operators of this fine city, is a native of the State of Missouri, his birth occurring at Kirksville, Adair County, on the 3d of December, 1895. He is the son of William L. and Jennie E. (Henry) Johnson, both of whom are yet living and are well-to-do and reputable citizens. The father since he was a boy has made farming his life occupation, and has been quite successful in growing grain and raising live stock. He has distinguished himself by his steady and reliable habits and demeanor and his superior citizenship. He is a genuine home or farm man, and has the utmost confidence of all his neighbors. The father of William L. was John Johnson, who chose for his wife Miss Mary Baggs. Mr. Johnson's grandmother on his mother's side was Maranda Watson, whose husband, Henry, was a native of Philadelphia. The Johnsons came originally from Vermont, and their presence there dates back to Colonial times. John Johnson, grandfather of L. G. Johnson, had a brother who served in the Union army during the Civil war. He participated in many historic engagements, but ever served his cause with gallantry and high distinction.

LeRoy Glenn Johnson was educated in the public schools of Kirksville, Missouri, and upon finishing his career in the common schools, entered the State Normal School at Kirksville, took the full normal course and was then ready for a teacher's occupation. His qualifications are shown by the fact that he taught with high credit in the Unionville High School of Putnam County. But then an important change came over his career. The World war had been crushing Europe for several years, and at last it became necessary for the United States, in order to defend itself, to take part in the struggle.

On the 7th of May, 1917, LeRoy Glenn stepped to the front, enlisted for the cause of liberty, and was first sent to the camp at Fort Riley, Kansas, where there was an officers' training field. For three months he remained at the Fort Riley Camp, perfecting himself in the routine and strategems of army life on the battle front. At the end of the three months he was commissioned second lieutenant of infantry and transferred to Camp Cody, New Mexico, becoming a member of the Thirty-fourth Division in September, 1917. There he remained on active duty for two months, when he was again transferred to the Thirty-fifth Division, at Camp Donophan, Oklahoma, and there he spent another two months, working hard and studying diligently to master all the problems of the trenches and fields. He was then transferred to Camp Funston, Kansas, in December, 1917, and was assigned to the Eighty-ninth Division, and was charged with the special duty of instructing the raw volunteers who were then pouring into camp. It was here that Lieutenant Johnson completed his knowledge and training to such a degree that he was competent for foreign service.

On the 1st of May, 1918, he was assigned to Company F, Three Hundred and Fifty-fourth Infantry, and, under orders, departed for the East, where he remained for about a week, when, on June 4, 1918, he and many others boarded the vessel at Montreal, Canada, and started across the Atlantic Ocean. On the 20th of June they were landed at camp near London, England, and very soon afterward crossed the English Channel and reached Le Havre, France, where they received the finishing touches in the ex-

perienced training camps of the decimated French army for thirty days at Chaumont. They then were ready for anything, no matter how startling and terrific. They were ordered into line on the front at St. Mihiel sector, not far from Fleurey. Here LeRoy G. was assigned to the regimental staff as munition officer, and here the American boys sustained severe losses during the thirty- day drive which started September 12, 1918. Succeeding this hot experience LeRoy's regiment was advanced to the Argonne Forest to relieve the Thirty-second regiment, and immediately crossed the Marne and stormed and took Barecourt Heights. Here's what our boys were doing.

On the Meuse and the Marne and in dense Belleau
Wood,
At hot Chateau Thierry and in Forest Argonne,
In waves of shell-fire against shock troops they stood,
O'er black "No Man's Land" they fought till the
dawn.
In the air and the trenches, amid cloud waves of gas,
In barrage and shell-fire the devils they checked,
Thru brambles of barbed wire they smashed a broad
pass,
And nests of machine guns by hundreds they
wrecked.

After the armistice was signed LeRoy's regiment was ordered to Germany in the Army of Occupation at Bittburg-Prum, and there he remained on duty at general headquarters until the regiment was ordered back home in May, 1919. It sailed on May 14 and landed at Hoboken, New Jersey, on May 21. The regiment was first sent, after its arrival, to Camp Mills, and then to Camp Funston, where on June 17, 1919, LeRoy G. Johnson received his honorable discharge and returned home.

He went to Cincinnati and became salesman and district manager for an automobile company, and was there at work until January 1, 1921, when for a time he was with the H. & T. Auto Company. On November 1, 1921, he came to Portsmouth, and on his own account became district agent for the Maxwell, Oakland and Chalmers cars, under the name of the F. & M. Motor Car Company. Now Mr. Johnson is vice president and general manager.

On the 10th of August, 1917, at Kansas City, Missouri, he married Neva L. Duff, of Versailles, Missouri. They have four children: Anna Katherine, Mary Francis, William Gleen and Richard Samuel. Mr. Johnson is a member of the Order of Elks, the American Legion, the Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce and the Ohio Automotive Trade Association.

Major William Poland, who died September 24, 1908, had been a resident of Chillicothe sixty years, and all that time was closely identified with its business prosperity, and in many ways contributed to those improvements which mean so much to the general welfare of all citizens.

A native of Ireland, born January 19, 1830, he was the last survivor of the twelve children of John and Mary (Toumey) Poland. In May, 1847, he and his brother James came to the United States, and after a brief time in Chillicothe, where his older brother, Patrick, was in the grocery business, he went to Cincinnati and clerked in that city. In October, 1848, he returned to Chillicothe, and for over a quarter of a century was in business as a grocery merchant, most of the time as a wholesaler. He had many productive business interests, industrial and otherwise. In 1869 he became interested in an iron furnace in Vinton County, and in 1881 became sole owner of the industry. In February, 1873, he was made a director of the Ross County National Bank, was elected vice president in January, 1888, and on August 6, 1888, became president of that institution. He was builder of the Ross County Block, the first modern office building in Chillicothe. For many years he was president of the Chillicothe Gas Light and Water Companay, and in 1876 was instrumental in organizing the first street railway company. He was president of the Chillicothe Foundry and Machine Works.

His title as major was gained during his brief service with the Squirrel Hunters in Southern Ohio when Kirby Smith was threatening an invasion of the North. As a young man he was a member of the Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company, was president of the old Fidelity Building and Loan Association, and was instrumental in organizing and became president of the Ohio Insurance Company. As a democrat he was active in local politics, serving two terms on the Council, and while on that body was active in starting a city park system. He became one of the park commissioners in January, 1884, and was on the board until his death twenty-four years later. He was known as the father of one of the city parks and subsequently a new park was named in his honor. He served fifteen terms as president of the old Board of Trade, helped found and for four terms was president of the Columbus Club, was a charter member of the Eintracht Singing Society and was chairman and treasurer of the executive committee of the Chillicothe Centennial in 1896 and chairman of the joint committees of the Ohio Centennial in 1903.

For over thirty years he was a trustee of St. Mary's Catholic Church. Through all these institutions and organizations he gave generously of his time, influence and money for the vital welfare of the community. When he died he was Chillicothe's leading citizen. A local paper in commenting on his death said: "No man in Chillicothe will be more greatly missed, as in civic and business enterprises he was always a prominent figure, while in his private life he was beloved by a wide circle of friends."

November 15, 1864, he married Miss Catherine Ryan, Cincinnati. Her father was a prominent architect and builder at Cincinnati. Eight children were born to their marriage. Their names were: William B., John A., Agnes M., Florence, Charles, Walter, Irene and Nicholas.

John A. Poland, lawyer, business man and public spirited citizen of Chillicothe, is a son of the late Major William Poland, and has exemplified many of the sterling civic traits of his honored father, whose career is sketched elsewhere.

John A. Poland was born in Chillicothe, in September, 1868. He was educated in the local schools, graduated as valedictorian of his class at St. Mary's College in Kansas, and studied law at Georgetown University at Washington, where he finished with post-graduate honors in a class of 160. Besides what the schools could give him and the training of a good home he had among his boyhood experiences the background of outdoor life and the opportunity to satisfy his boyish interests in such mechanical diversions as carpentry and printing. Soon after graduating in law he took the examination for admission to the bar and stood first in a class of fifty applicants before the Ohio Supreme Court. For two years he was in the law offices of Lawrence T. Neal, and in 1893 was private secretary when Mr. Neal was candidate for governor. For thirty years he has been associated with political campaigns and prominent men in the Ohio democratic party, though he has declined all public honors for himself. He was appointed a member of the Ohio-Columbus Centennial Commission by Governor Harmon, and the commission itself appointed him historian of its labors.

Mr. Poland gives his professional time to a large

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office practice involving corporation, probate and commercial law. He is attorney for a number of the important business organizations of Chillicothe and for a number of public utilities in Southern and Central Ohio. Among others he is attorney for the News-Advertiser, the Sears & Nichols Company, the Logan Natural Gas and Fuel Company, the Chillicothe Electric Railway, Light and Power Company, the Chillicothe Gas Light and Water Company, and the Ross County Bank. He is director of the Ross County Bank, is its vice president, and is a director of the Mead Pulp & Paper Company. He has served as a director and president of the Chamber of Commerce, and for a quarter of a century was a member of the old Chillicothe Board of Trade. He succeeded his father as a member of the Chillicothe Park Commission. He was president of the Rotary Club of Chillicothe in 1922.

During the World war Mr. Poland was actively associated with other Chillicothe citizens in securing here the location of Camp Sherman. He conducted an information bureau at his office, served as government attorney, and handled many of the negotiations involved in the purchase by the government of the 5,000 acres for the camp and rifle range and after the war he persuaded the government to continue the plant as a vocational school and also locate a veterans' hospital thereon. Mr. Poland, who is unmarried, is a Catholic, and is active in many club and fraternal organizations. He is a member of the Sunset Club, one of the exclusive literary clubs of Chillicothe.

Edwin S. Wenis has been an Ohio newspaper man for thirty years, represents an old family of the city of Chillicothe, and has exceptional qualifications for his post as editor of the Scioto Gazette. The Scioto Gazette, as is well known, is one of the oldest papers in the Middle West, founded in April, 1800, and continuously under one name and without interruption has been published for nearly 125 years.

Mr. Wenis on his mother's side represents a family that came to Chillicothe in the early years of statehood, about 1808. Edwin S. Wenis was born in Chillicothe, December 4, 1869, son of Alexander E. and Elizabeth (Thompson) Wenis. His mother was a daughter of Benjamin and Harriet (Howard) Thompson, representing families that came to Ohio from what is now Martinsburg, West Virginia. The paternal grandparents of the editor of the Gazette were Leo and Walburga (Bogen) Wenis, who came from Kiechlingsbergen, Baden, Germany, in 1833 and settled at Chillicothe. The parents of Edwin S. Wenis are both deceased. His father served fifteen years as city clerk of Chillicothe, was an active and prominent democrat, and after leaving public office was in the real estate and insurance business until his death.

Only child of his parents, Edwin S. Wenis was educated in the public schools of Chillicothe, graduating from high school in 1888. For a time he studied law under Albert Douglas, former congressman from the district, but he gave up his studies in 1889 and went to work as a reporter for the Gazette. In 1890 he transferred his service to the Chillicothe Leader. About that time the monied interests of the Leader took over the control of the Scioto Gazette, the actual transfer being made September 2, 1892. Both papers kept their identity until November, 1896, and after that the paper was published as the Gazette Leader until April 28, 1900, since which time it has been the Scioto Gazette. In December, 1891, Mr. Wenis went to Washington, D. C., and became a clerk in the department of agriculture and later in the postoffice at Georgetown. In June, 1892, he returned to Chillicothe, and went on the staff of the Gazette under George H. Tyler, its publisher. In 1896 Mr. Wenis became editor of the Daily News, but after a year returned to the *Scioto Gazette* as city editor, and since 1917 has been editor in chief of this venerable and influential journal. In 1900 the Gazette celebrated its centennial anniversary.

Mr. Wenis has been without political aspirations, though he was elected clerk of the City Council in 1907 and 1908. He is a Catholic, is a past grand knight of the Knights of Columbus and a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. While exalted ruler he carried out the plans involving the purchase of ground and the construction of the present Elks home in 1910-11. He is a past president of the Kiwanis Club of Chillicothe. Mr. Wenis became the secretary of the Centennial Commission to celebrate the hundredth anniversary of Chillicothe in 1896. In 1903 when the hundredth anniversary of the State of Ohio was celebrated at Chillicothe he served as chairman of the state program committee. For seven years he was a member of the Ohio National Guard in Company H, Seventeenth Regiment, going in as a private and being promoted to battalion adjutant.

At Chillicothe, April 27, 1897, Mr. Wenis married Miss Elizabeth O'Callaghan, daughter of Eugene and Catherine (Murphy) O'Callaghan, both natives of Ireland and now deceased. Her father came to America about 1848, and for a number of years was in the hotel business at Chillicothe. Mr. and Mrs. Wenis have one daughter, Eugenie.

Charles W. Bierley. During a career that has been characterized by constant industry ever since his school days Charles W. Bierley, of Portsmouth, has followed several vocations, including merchandising, and activities as a realtor. Since 1914 he has followed the last-named calling to such good effect that today he is accounted one of the leaders in his line in Scioto County, where he has been the medium through whom a number of large and important transactions have been consummated.

Mr. Bierley was born July 15, 1875, at Vanceburg, Kentucky, and is a son of John C. and Lena (Hoffman) Bierley, natives of the Buckeye State, the former of whom is now deceased and the latter a resident of Kentucky. John C. Bierley followed both agricultural pursuits and mercantile operations in Kentucky, making a success of both lines, and in the several communities in which his activities were centered he was known as a man of industry and strict integrity. He was a son of Jacob and Margaret Bierley, of German ancestry, who settled at an early date near Maysville, Kentucky, while his wife's parents were among the early residents of Cincinnati, they likewise being of German descent. John C. Bierley was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and had several civic connections of an official or semi-official character.

Charles W. Bierley attended the public school at Carrs, Kentucky. He then turned his attention to agricultural pursuits on the home farm, where he remained until reaching the age of thirty years. Not being satisfied with the life of a tiller of the soil, he disposed of his holdings and invested them in a mercantile business at Manchester, Ohio, where he remained for six years. He then sold his establishment and located at Portsmouth, where he has since been engaged in a general real estate business, having devoted his undivided attention thereto since 1914. He has built up a large business, and his clientage includes some of the most representative people and largest enterprises of the city. Mr. Bierley is a member of the real estate board and of several other bodies. He has always been ready to discharge his duties as a citizen, and since becoming a member of

the city board of health has contributed greatly to the success of that organization. His class was not called during the World war, although he was ready to bear arms, but in other ways he aided the American cause. Fraternally Mr. Bierley belongs to the Knights of Pythias and is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Mystic Shrine. His religious connection is with the Presbyterian Church.

On December 20, 1898, at Carrs, Kentucky, Mr. Bierley was united in marriage with Miss Myrtle Monteith, daughter of William R. and Minta (Norris) Monteith, the latter of whom died in February, 1922, while the former is living and a successful agriculturist. They are the parents of one child, Charles Harold, a member of the junior class in the commerce and journalism college at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and will later take up the study of law and eventually will become associated with his father.

ARZIE B. ANDERSON, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, who has been engaged in successful practice in Pike County for nearly thirty years, is also owner and editor of the Piketon Republican. This newspaper was established in 1904 under the name of the Independent by Charles B. Wynn. Some years later Mr. Wynn was murdered in Cincinnati, and on August 1, 1919, Doctor Anderson bought the paper from the estate and is sole owner and editor of this weekly journal, which has a general circulation throughout Pike County.

Doctor Anderson was born in Pike County, April 11, 1875, son of R. H. and Caroline (Holton) Anderson, and grandson of John and Elizabeth Anderson and Thomas H. and Sarah Holton. His mother's people were natives of Ohio. The Andersons came from old Virginia. Caroline (Holton) Anderson is still living. R. H. Anderson, who died in 1920, was a shipping clerk and a member of the Christian Church. He and his wife had ten children: Floyd, who married Maud Davis; Dr. Arzie B.; Dora M., who married Charles Legg; Alta, deceased; Myrle A., who married Zoe Beekman; Ermie D., deceased wife of Charles Beekman; Bettie J., who married Charles West; Thomas J.; Harvey J.; and George E.

Arzie B. Anderson attended the district schools of Pike County until he was sixteen years of age. Soon afterward he begun the study of veterinary medicine at Columbus, and later enrolled in one of the largest and best equipped veterinary schools in the world, the college at Toronto, Canada, where he was graduated with the degree Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. He is a thorough student of his science, and has been very successful in its practice. He is secretary of the Ohio State Veterinarians Association.

Doctor Anderson on August 25, 1897, in Pike County, married Miss Ella M. Ashbaugh, daughter of William and Emma Ellis (Jones) Ashbaugh. Her father was a farmer and Methodist, and Mrs. Anderson was one of seven children. Six children have been born to the marriage of Doctor and Mrs. Anderson, Calla L., Leta M., William Harold, Opal P., Robert H. and Donald K. The daughter Calla is the wife of Jacob Parks, and Leta M. married Ray Pettit and is the mother of three children, named Reva, Glenn and Ella Jane. The son William married Gladys Keister. Doctor Anderson is a Methodist, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Improved Order of Red Men and Modern Woodmen of America.

GEORGE B. BITZER, former judge of the Probate Court of Ross County, has been an active member of the bar at Chillicothe forty-five years, and is one of the outstanding figures in the citzenship of the old and historic community of Ohio.

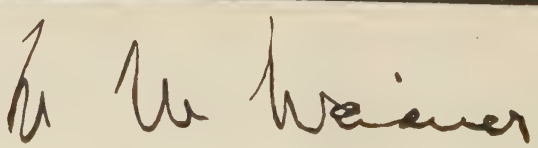
Judge Bitzer is a grandson of Conrad Bitzer, a Pennsylvanian, of Holland-Dutch descent. Conrad Bitzer in the fall of 1796, with his wife, started from Berks County, Pennsylvania, and came to Chillicothe. He was one of the first settlers in Ross County. In 1801 he located in Colerain Township of Ross County, and that was his permanent home in the county. He died in October, 1860.

Anthony G. Bitzer, the eighth child of Conrad and wife, and the father of Judge Bitzer, was born December 27, 1809, and for many years he was best known as proprietor of a pioneer inn or hotel at Adelphi, a favorite stopping place in stage-coach days. He continued his business as a hotel proprietor until about 1870. He died in 1885. Anthony G. Bitzer married Catherine Strawser, who was born at Adelphi. Her father, Henry Strawser, came from Bucks County, Pennsylvania, to Ross County in 1803. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and was well known as an expert hunter. He reached the age of eighty-two. Henry Strawser married Druzilla Hinton. Anthony Bitzer was a member of the Presbyterian Church while his wife was a member of the German Reformed Church. They were the parents of six children: Susan C., Henry S., George B., Alfred P., Edward E. and Margaret D.

George B. Bitzer was born at Adelphi in Ross County, April 15, 1852. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and began teaching at the age of fifteen. His first school was in a log cabin in Vinton County, where he had sixty-five pupils, ranging from five to twenty-five years old. Later he attended Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and he continued teaching altogether for ten years. The last year he taught in a graded school. While teaching he began the study of medicine, but abandoned that and read law under Judge Van Meter of Chillicothe. On examination he was admitted to the bar in 1879, and since that year has been an active member in the Chillicothe bar. In 1881 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Ross County, holding that office one term. In 1887 he was elected judge of the Probate Court, and was reelected in 1890, serving two terms. Since retiring from the bench he has devoted his time and talent to his extensive general practice.

During the World war Judge Bitzer acted as chairman of the local Military Training Association, which passed on applications for military training. He is a republican, having cast his first vote in 1876 for Rutherford B. Hayes. He has served on the City Council. He is a member of the Ross County Bar Association, the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in Masonry he belongs to the Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council and Knight Templar Commandery. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Judge Bitzer's home is an attractive country estate adjoining the city of Chillicothe, and he finds it a recreation as well as a profitable incident to his professional career. On December 15, 1880, at Chillicothe, Judge Bitzer married, Miss Louisa B. Grimes, of Bourneville, Ross County, daughter of George and Rachael (Withgott) Grimes. Her father was a native of North Carolina and her mother of Ohio and both are now deceased. Her father was a farmer and noted cattle breeder and at one time owned the famous sire "Duke of Oneida," which sold for $6,000, and was shipped to England. Mrs. Bitzer was one of four children, the others being Frank J., John B. and Maria. The four children of Judge and Mrs. Bitzer are: Altha Maria, who is the wife of John H. Dunlap, and the mother of one son, John H., Jr.; Edwin S., who married Ethel Morgan and



has a son, George M., and daughter, Elinor M.; Florence C. and Clarkson B. Bitzer. George E. who died at the age of seven, was a twin brother of Edwin S.

ALBERT S. KEECHLE, editor and owner of the Waverly Watchman, was attracted to the printing and newspaper business soon after leaving high school and has made a success of his work and is publisher of one of the influential country journals in Southern Ohio.

He was born at Sulphur Grove, near Dayton, Ohio, December 10, 1889, son of Cornelius and Anna (Aston) Keechle. His paternal grandparents, Cornelius and Regina Keechle, were natives of Germany and came to the United States about 1861. His maternal grandfather, Joseph Aston, was of English ancestry. Mr. Keechle's parents are still living. His father is a veterinary surgeon by profession, and practiced near Dayton, Ohio, later moved to Waverly, and is now living on a farm in Warren County, Ohio. While at Waverly he served on the City Council and was justice of the peace. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Cornelius Keechle and wife had five children: Albert S.; Winnie, who married Grover Steinhauer, and is the mother of seven childern; Edward, unmarried; Walter, who married Mary Mercer; and John.

Albert S. Keechle secured his early educational advantages in the Sulphur Grove district school, and at the age of seventeen he left the Waverly High School. After a brief time at Dayton he returned to Waverly and learned the printing business in the office of H. A. McKenzie, then owner and publisher of the Waverly News. He continued with Mr. McKenzie until 1912, and then went to work for George B. Nye, owner of the Waverly Watchman. In 1921 he and C. J. Heibel leased the Watchman from Doctor Nye, and later that partnership was dissolved and Mr. Keechle took over the lease himself and now has entire control. The paper is owned by a stock company. The Waverly Watchman is a newspaper with a continuous existence for almost seventy-five years.

Mr. Keechle during the World war was clerk of the local election board and handled all the registration until the regular board was organized. He is chairman of the Pike County Democratic Executive Committee. On May 29, 1910, at Waverly, Mr. McKeechle married, Miss Lenora A. Easterday, daughter of George and Mary (Fletcher) Easterday. Her mother is still living. Her father was a farmer, was active in public affairs, serving on the school board, and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Keechle's brother and sisters are: George Raymond, who married Laura Spindler; Eva, who married Isaac Feree; and Cora, who became the wife of George Willis. Mr. and Mrs. Keechle are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Improved Order of Red Men and the Modern Woodmen of America.

CARL W. PENN, present county auditor of Pike County, became well known to the people of that county in his early years through his effective work as a teacher. He has also been a farmer, and represents a pioneer family of Ohio.

He was born at Latham in Pike County, September 18, 1888, son of Thomas E. and Mary E. (Leeper) Penn and grandson of Artemus Penn, who came to Ohio from Baltimore, and of Robert Leeper who came from Ireland to Ohio. Mr. Penn's parents are both deceased. His father was a farmer. The children were: Robert, Ray, Anise, Frances, Farie, Carl W., Melva, Ella and Inez, all of them married and those now deceased are Ray, Ella and Inez. Carl W. Penn grew up on his father's farm near Latham, attended the public schools there and acquired the equivalent of a high school education and a business college course. For thirteen years he taught school in district and in the grade schools, and along with teaching he carried on farming. During the World war he was in the railway mail service, and in the fall of 1918 was elected county auditor. He was reelected in 1922, and a man of admirable qualifications for this office. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and Improved Order of Red Men.

On July 4, 1910, at Westerville, Ohio, Mr. Penn married Miss Grace Toumine, daughter of E. S. and Kate Toumine. Her father was a farmer, and also operated a summer resort at Kinkaid Springs. He was a Methodist, and was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mrs. Penn was one of a family of five children, the others being Mary, Maggie, Van and John. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Penn are named Helen and Ruth.

WILLIAM W. WEIDNER. The real estate business is at present one of the most important in every center of the country. The great housing shortage, together with the investment of a large amount of capital in realty propositions, and the demand of tenants for the latest improvements, all have combined to demand exceptional service from those men who handle the problems of this branch of commercial activity, and the manner in which they have risen has awakened favorable comment from all classes. One of these self-reliant and capable realtors of Scioto County, is William W. Weidner, of Portsmouth.

William W. Weidner was born at Awe Postoffice, Lewis County, Kentucky, June 30, 1892, a son of Frederick and Georgia (Evans) Weidner, the mother, a native of Georgia, is still living. Frederick Weidner, who passed away in October, 1920, was born in Germany. In 1887 he came to the United States, and after a short stay at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, moved into Lewis County, Kentucky. There he met and married his wife, and they settled on a farm. They reared a family of four children, two sons and two daughters, of whom William W. is the youngest. For a number of years Mr. and Mrs. Weidner attended the services of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was interested in all local matters, and for a long period was chairman of the school board.

Until he was nine years of age William W. Weidner attended the district schools, and then, going to Quincy, Kentucky, was a student of the graded schools until he was fourteen. He then came to Portsmouth and went to work in the shoe factory of Irvin Drew Company, with which he remained for eleven years, becoming a pattern maker, having risen to that position from his initial one of office boy.

With this country's entry into the World war his plans were interrupted, and he enlisted, May 31, 1918, in the infantry branch of the service, and went first to Columbus Barracks, and from there was sent to Camp Gordon at Atlanta, Georgia, and six weeks later was sent to Camp Merritt, New Jersey. There he remained for two weeks, and was transferred to Company C, One Hundred and Sixty-third Regiment, Forty-first Division of Infantry. They sailed overseas in July, 1918, landing at Liverpool, England, and went direct to Southampton, and from there crossed the English Channel and landed at Cherbourg, France. A few days later he was sent to Saint Aignan, and was at headquarters, having charge of

the work there. From there he went to Mont Richard, where he was assigned to the personnel at headquarters, and was engaged in looking after the transportation of the troops to the front. The men in his regiment were taken for replacement at the front, and he was engaged in the above mentioned work for five months, when the armistice was signed. His unit was sent to Brest, France, and was sent home on the cruiser Seattle and landed at Hoboken, New Jersey, in February, 1919. Mr. Weidner received his honorable discharge at Camp Dix, New Jersey, and from there returned to Portsmouth.

While working in the shoe factory Mr. Weidner used his spare time very advantageously and studied law through the correspondence department of LaSalle University of Chicago, Illinois, and with Mr. B. F. Kimble and A. Z. Blair, attorneys of Scioto County. Mr. Weidner was admitted to the bar by examination May 6, 1918, prior to his entering the army. Upon his return to Portsmouth he took up the practice of law and also went into the real estate business, but in the course of time was obliged to give up his law practice in order to devote all of his time to his realty business, in which he has been exceedingly successful, and is one of the leading realtors of this region, his knowledge of the law being a valuable asset to him.

On August 17, 1920, Mr. Weidner married at New York City a Portsmouth girl, Miss Georgia Dillon, a daughter of John and Comfort (Hurley) Dillon. Mr. Dillon was engaged in the pottery business, and died some years ago, but Mrs. Dillon is living. Mr. Weidner has one son, Frederick. He is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church of Portsmouth. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce also hold his membership, and he is active in the organizations. A young man of undoubted ability, Mr. Weidner stands very high in popular esteem, and is recognized as one of the leading citizens of Scioto County.

Marshall N. Billings now has precedence as one of the veteran merchants of the city of Chillicothe, Ross County, where he has been successfully engaged in the retail furniture business for the past thirty-five years, during which he has also stood forward as a liberal and public-spirited citizen of utmost loyalty to the city and county of his adoption.

Mr. Billings was born at Woodhull, Henry County, Illinois, November 14, 1863, and is a son of John and Martha E. (Harper) Billings, the former of whom was born at the old family homestead at Cambridge, New York, a son of Elisha and Catherine (Prine) Billings, and the latter was born in Kentucky, the family name of her mother having been Harper. Upon coming to the West John Billings gained pioneer experience in Iowa, but he later established his residence in Illinois, where he became one of the substantial farmers and citizens of Henry County. He was influential in public affairs of local order and was called upon to serve in various township offices. He was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and both he and his wife held membership in the Presbyterian Church. The death of Mr. Billings occurred October 2, 1910, and his widow passed to the life eternal in March, 1912. They became the parents of eleven children, namely: John, Marshall N., Emma (Mrs. W. P. Bowers), Henry M. (deceased), Burton N., Roy H., Pearl (Mrs. F. W. Brown), Lillian (Mrs. J. W. Critten), Porter (deceased), Bessie A. (Mrs. Frank A. Stayner), and Donald P. (deceased).

The sturdy discipline of the home farm compassed the boyhood and early youth of Marshall N. Billings, and he has never regretted the lessons of practical industry which he gained in this connection. He attended the district schools of his native county until he was fourteen years of age, and thereafter continued to be associated with his father in farm enterprise until he attained to his legal majority. He next devoted about one year to independent farm operations, and during the ensuing year he was engaged in construction work on the line of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad. His next progressive movement was made when he engaged in the furniture business at Champaign, Illinois, where he remained until 1888, when, as a young man of about twenty-five years, he came to Chillicothe, Ohio, and became associated with W. P. Bowers in the opening of a furniture store. The partnership alliance continued fourteen years, and Mr. Billings then purchased the interest of Mr. Bowers, in 1902, the enterprise having since been successfully continued under the title of M. N. Billings. The year 1922 was marked by Mr. H. W. Cruit's admission to partnership, with a third interest, and also the admission, with an equal interest, of D. F. Brigham, son-in-law of Mr. Billings. This old established business has kept pace with the march of progress, and the large, modern and admirably stocked store of the M. N. Billings Company is distinctly one of the leading mercantile establishments of Chillicothe and Ross County, with a substantial business resting on a reputation for fair and honorable dealings and effective service during the course of many years.

Mr. Billings is a loyal and valued member of the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce and the local Rotary Club, and is affiliated with Chillicothe Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He and his wife are zealous members of the Presbyterian Church.

At Chillicothe, in the year 1895, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Billings and Miss Emma Miller, who was born and reared in Ross County, a daughter of John and Mary (Scofield) Miller, who, venerable in years, still reside in this county, Mr. Miller having long been numbered among the substantial farmers of the county. Mrs. Billings is the youngest of a family of three children, and the eldest is John O., the maiden name of whose wife was Dennowich, their children being nine in number; Minnie, elder of the two daughters, is the wife of C. A. Donnells, and they have two children. Beatrice, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Billings, is the wife of Donald F. Brigham, who as previously noted, is now associated with Mr. Billings in the furniture business. Mr. and Mrs. Brigham have two children, Dorothy Ann and Charlotte Jeane. Mr. Brigham was one of the patriotic young men who represented the nation as a soldier in the World war. He was a member of the famous Rainbow Division, which acquitted itself with distinction and valor on the battlefields of France, where he continued in active service until the close of the war. Mr. Brigham is not only a Knight Templar Mason but has also received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is numbered among the progressive and popular young business men of Chillicothe.

Alvin G. Flickinger. In the citizenship of Crawford County, Alvin G. Flickinger has enjoyed a place of high esteem for many years. He has been county auditor, is a substantial business man, and his interests have led him to take an active part in the movement for the preservation of historical records in his home county.

Mr. Flickinger represents a pioneer family of Crawford County, and was born in Holmes Town-

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ship, July 19, 1872, son of Horace H. and Catherine (Fralick) Flickinger, both natives of the same township. His grandfather, Samuel Flickinger, settled in Crawford County in 1831, and was responsible for clearing up some of the land in Holmes Township. Horace H. Flickinger was born there April 22, 1833, was reared and married in that locality, and continued a substantial farmer in Holmes Township until 1876, when he removed to Bucyrus Township. He died in 1898 and his wife in 1910. He was an active member of the Evangelical Church. Horace H. Flickinger and wife had five children: Hershel, who graduated from the commercial department of Ohio Northern University at Ada in 1881 and for many years has been a deputy in county offices and has also served as county surveyor; Della, wife of F. L. Harvey, of Bucyrus; Clement L., a farmer in Crawford County; Alvin G.; and Carrie B.

Alvin G. Flickinger spent his early years on the farm, attended the public schools, and his work was farming until 1903. In that year he became deputy county auditor, and had fourteen years of continuous association with the auditor's office. Then, in 1917, he was elected auditor, taking charge of the office and serving until March 12, 1923.

Mr. Flickinger was one of the organizers and was honored with the office of first president of the Crawford County Historical Society, and has been deeply interested in its program of activities. He is a life member of the Ohio State Historical and Archæological societies. In May, 1923, he helped organize and became a charter member of the Crawford County Savings and Loan Company, of which he is serving as secretary, and he is also a stockholder in the Farmers and Citizens Bank and Savings Company of Bucyrus. He is a leader in the democratic party and is a past worthy president of the Fraternal Order or Eagles, No. 501. He has been a member of the Official Board and he and his wife are both active in the First Methodist Episcopal Church.

March 17, 1908, Mr. Flickinger married Effie V. Foulk.

EDWARD M. OTIS is giving a most vigorous and effective administration in the office of superintendent of the public schools of Willoughby, Lake County, and special interest attaches to his service by reason of his being a native son of this county, with whose history the family name has been identified more than eighty years.

Edward M. Otis was born at Kirkland, Lake County, Ohio, January 13, 1880, and is a son of Adna and Esther (Tuttle) Otis, the former of whom was born in the State of New York, in 1829, and the latter of whom was born at Concord, Lake County, Ohio, in 1844. Rev. Dexter Otis, grandfather of the subject of this review, was born and reared in the State of New York, became a clergyman of the Christian Church, and both he and his wife, whose family name was Waite, passed the closing years of their lives in Lake County, Ohio, where they established their home about the year 1841.

Adna Otis was a lad of about twelve years at the time when his parents came to Lake County and established their residence in the Waite Hill district of this county. Here he was reared to maturity, and his entire active career was marked by alliance with farm industry in this county, he having been a farmer in the Village of Willoughby at the time of his death, in 1894. He was a loyal and substantial citizen who ever commanded unqualified popular esteem, was a republican in politics, and both he and his wife, whose death occurred in 1904, were zealous members of the Christian Church. Of the children the eldest is Anna, who is the wife of Charles Johnson, a successful contracting carpenter at Kirtland; Wallace B. resides at Willoughby and is one of the exponents of farm enterprise in his native county; Sophia died in childhood; and Edward M., of this sketch, is the youngest of the number.

In the Willoughby High School Edward M. Otis was graduated as a member of the class of 1898, and the year 1903 recorded his graduation from Western Reserve University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. At the university he became affiliated with the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, and in the year of his graduation from this institution he became teacher of science in the Willoughby High School. One year later, while still serving as instructor in science, he was made principal of the high school, and of this office he continued the incumbent until 1909, when he was advanced to his present responsible office, that of superintendent of the public schools of Willoughby. Under his executive supervision there are three schools, thirty teachers and 800 pupils. Mr. Otis has been for the past fifteen years a member of the Lake County Board of School Examiners, and is in every sense one of the valued and influential factors in educational affairs in his native county.

In politics Mr. Otis supports men and measures meeting the approval of his judgment, without reference to strict partisan lines. He is a member of the National Educational Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association, the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association, and the Ohio Educational Research Association. He is (1924) president of the Willoughby Chamber of Commerce, and secretary and a director of the Willoughby Savings & Loan Company. After an effective post-graduate course Mr. Otis received in 1920 the degree of Master of Arts from Columbia University, New York City. He and his wife are earnest members of the First Presbyterian Church of Willoughby, in which he is an elder and which he represents in the Session, besides which he was for a number of years superintendent of its Sunday School. He owns his attractive home property on River Street, and this modern residence is known for its generous hospitality.

At Cleveland, in November, 1904, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Otis and Miss Gwendolyn Cornwall, daughter of Robert and Ella (Shute) Cornwall, the father having been a successful contractor and builder in the City of Cleveland at the time of his death, and the widowed mother now being a loved member of the family circle of Mr. and Mrs. Otis. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Otis are Catherine Esther and Mary Elizabeth, and both are attending the Willoughby public schools at the time of this writing.

PIERCE D. HILBERT, one of the most active and proficient men in this part of the state, was born at Lawrenceburg, Indiana, on August 3, 1875, and is the son of Benjamin and Barbara (Ruffing) Hilbert. The father is still active, although eighty-five years of age, but the mother passed away in 1901. The father came to America when he was only four years old. He was a member of the noted race known as "Low Dutch." Benjamin Hilbert lived originally in Hanover, Germany, but finally came to the United States, before the Civil war, and became a prominent and reputable citizen. He is now a resident of Hamilton, Ohio, where he is comfortably passing his old age. When the Civil war startled the nation he promptly enlisted in Company F, Eighteenth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and soon was ordered to the front. He participated in many stirring engagements and campaigns, and while in the service contracted a complexity of disorders, including rheumatism, which have injuriously affected him

up to the present day. In fact, ever since the war he has been practically disabled and incapacitated. For a number of years he was a manufacturer of cigars in Cincinnati and in other cities, he and his wife raised a family of thirteen children, Pierce D. being the eighth child. In his early youth he had a chance for a little heroism among them, which they tell as follows: "While our gang of boys were in swimming on one occasion in the old swimming hole above the old river, in the Miami, we were all coming out and were dressing when we heard someone in the river shouting 'Help!' I looked and saw Walter Bruning struggling for his life. I threw my shirt off while I ran and jumped in, swam to where Walter was and pulled him into shore, where we boys worked him back to life again. Walter is still alive. He is a superintendent at Niles Tool Works in Hamilton and has a very nice family, and we are still old friends."

Pierce D. Hilbert was given a good education in the parochial schools of Cincinnati, and ended his educational career by taking a course at St. Stephens School, Hamilton, Ohio, coming out with credit at the age of thirteen years. It was now necessary for him to get to work for himself, so he secured a position as machinist with Hooven-Owens-Rentschler, makers of the old and famous Corliss engines. There he remained hard at work for three years. He then engaged in the stone-cutting business with Fred Horsnyder, and in that artistic occupation soon became a notable expert. Thus he continued with both profit and credit until 1898, when he changed his location to Eaton, Ohio, where, with Henry Holland, he engaged in the monument business and was thus at work for about two years. He then changed his location to Hamilton, and there engaged in the same business for about one year. Receiving a good offer, he then again changed his location to Manchester, Ohio, where he became connected with the F. C. McColm Granite Works, and was actively at work with them for two years. Soon afterward he went to Grand Rapids, Michigan, and accepted a position with F. C. Black, who was engaged in a similar pursuit. He also spent one month at Ionia, Michigan, and then returned to Manchester and worked there for another year. In 1903 he came to Portsmouth, and for two very busy years he was connected with the C. C. Bode Granite Company.

By this time he had become not only an expert in all stone-cutting employments and projects, but had developed to a striking degree the arts, adornments and elegance of his attractive occupation. About this time he went to Cincinnati, and for one and a half years was associated with the Coast & Coast Marble Works. Succeeding this period of work he traveled through the state of Kentucky doing important replacement and repair work in Lexington and other cities. About this time he moved his headquarters to Lawrenceburg, Indiana, and for two years was connected with the Lawrenceburg Monument Company, but located in Springfield, Ohio, in 1909. There he was connected with the W. H. Houpt Granite Works for a short time, and then returned to Portsmouth and for two years was associated with the Reitz Bros. Building Material Company. Subsequently he was employed by the Portsmouth Monument Company for another two years and while thus engaged advanced their business to a large extent with the the expectation of becoming interested in the concern, but did not succeed, and then became connected with the Whitaker-Glessner Steel Company in the building department, and while there at work one day he fell from a scaffold and was severely injured. After his recovery he remained with that company for two years and then became foreman for one year for the Peerless Granite Company.

Since 1920 he has been in the monumental and building stone business for himself, and has met with marked success. Not only is Mr. Hilbert an expert in granite and marble, but is fully qualified as a building stone carver of which Portsmouth can boast of having the only stone carver this side of Cincinnati and Columbus. A few of the buildings on which Mr. Hilbert has done some real carving are the Sciotoville Theater, Universal Garage, Jewish Temple, Telephone Building, Daehler Funeral Home, Streich Building, addition to First National Bank Building of Portsmouth, and the Lion Fountain at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, all of which speak for themselves in showing the work of Mr. Hilbert's wonderful skill. In addition to his artistic and laborious duties he is a profound student and reader, and thus has posted himself on all the ups and downs of worldly existence. He has gone through the night schools with great merit and has taken stringent courses in the correspondence schools. Thus he has acquired a superior education in commercial law and in general business occupations. He is a member of the Portsmouth Quartette, of which he is the leader. Already he is known far and near for his marvelous tenor voice. His quartette is required to sing at all local and other entertainments, and goes all over this section of the state to meet the demands for superb concerts. They took the grand prize at Jackson at the Eisteddford of Welch Singers. In addition to quartette singing Mr. Hilbert is a natural musician, playing various instruments, and always delights in entertaining at any gathering with his songs, elocution and instrumental music. Mr. Hilbert is a member of the Cecilian Choir at St. Mary's Church, and has been a church singer for a number of years.

On November 7, 1907, at Portsmouth, he was united in marriage with Miss Rosa Belle, daughter of Jacob and Hellen Reutinger. They have one child, Paul B. Mrs. Hilbert's parents are both living. Her father was an inspector of railroad car shops, but has been engaged in the shoe industry for a number of years. Mr. Hilbert is a Catholic, but his wife is a Presbyterian. Bernard Hilbert, grandfather of Mr. Hilbert, died at the age of eighty-seven years, and his father lived to the remarkable age of one hundred and five years. Both were superior citizens.

THE GREAT AMERICAN MUTUAL INDEMNITY COMPANY. Since the advent of the automobile and its entrance into every phase of our every-day life its influence has been felt in many avenues of activity. Not least among these is the insurance field, in which the automobile has played an important part. In this connection mention is to be made of the Great American Mutual Indemnity Company, of Mansfield, Ohio, which, makes the full coverage automobile insurance its principal line.

This company was incorporated November 26, 1917, was licensed by the Ohio Insurance Department, and commenced writing insurance December 26, 1917. It was the first Ohio company incorporated and licensed to write full coverage automobile insurance in this state. The growth in business is shown in the following figures: 1918, $109,468; 1919, $487,792; 1920, $858,458; 1921, $883,042; 1922, $992,735; and 1923, $1,316,987.89. The financial statement of June 30, 1924, shows the following: assets, $960,983.66; reserve for protection of policy holders, $452,117.82; special loss reserves, $200,640.66; surplus, $201,971.42.

The Great American Mutual Indemnity Company is the largest and strongest automobile insurance company in Ohio. It is a mutual company, operat-

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ing without the assessment clause in its contracts, having accumulated more surplus in its five years of operation than is required of a stock company to have capital stock. No where in the United States has a company of its kind grown so rapidly. It now has a representative in every city, town and village in Ohio and branch offices in the larger cities and expecting to enter other states in the near future. The prompt, friendly and just settlement of claims has built up a reputation for the organization as being the greatest claim paying company in the business, and this no doubt has contributed largely to its success. Since starting business the company has taken on the writing of personal automobile accident, plate glass, guaranty indemnity and assessment policies. The home office at Mansfield has about 100 employes, and in addition to its large and growing insurance business, maintains its own printing plant and garage where damaged cars are repaired or rebuilt.

Henry R. Endly, secretary and active head of the Great American Mutual Indemnity Company, who was responsible for its inception, served in the Ohio Department of Insurance, leaving there to return to Mansfield, his home town, and interest as incorporators the following: Richmond Smith, secretary of the Richmond Mutual Insurance Company; E. W. Dann, assistant secretary of the Richland Mutual Insurance Company; J. A. Rigby, president of that company; S. A. Jennings, cashier of the Citizens National Bank; R. A. Tracy, Mansfield Mutual Insurance Company; G. W. Lowry, ex-mayor of Mansfield; T. R. Barnes, president of the Barnes Manufacturing Company; G. W. Blymer, manager of Blymer Brothers Company; H. Scattergood, manager Scattergood Dry Goods Company; G. W. DeYarmon, secretary Merchants and Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company; J. B. Lindley, cashier Farmers Savings Bank; C. F. Ackerman, president Mansfield Savings Bank; E. Remy, Sr., president Security Savings and Trust Company; Jesse E. LaDow, secretary Mansfield Rubber Company; William B. Martin, president Mansfield Hardware Company; F. W. Bloor, vice president of the Merchants and Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company; F. B. Black, president of the Ohio Brass Company; L. R. Dronberger, Mallinkrodt Chemical Company; E. R. Endly, Pennsylvania Railroad Company; and Henry R. Endley, former examiner State Insurance Department. These incorporators chose the following as their Board of Directors: W. B. Martin, F. W. Bloor, L. R. Dronberger, Henry R. Endly and F. B. Black. Mr. Martin is president of the Martin Hardware Company and the Mechanics Loan Company, vice president of the Great American Mutual Indemnity Company, and a director of the Mansfield Telephone Company, the Mansfield Savings Bank, the Columbia Tire and Rubber Company, the Buckeye Union Mutual Insurance Company, the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce, all of Mansfield. Mr. Bloor is director of the Buckeye Union Mutual Insurance Company, vice president of the Merchants and Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company, secretary of the Caldwell & Bloor Company, a director of the Richland Savings Bank, the Mansfield Telephone Company, and of the C. M. Bundy Company, Indianapolis, Indiana, and a trustee of the Mansfield General Hospital. Mr. Dronberger is president of The Buckeye Union Mutual Insurance Company, a director in the Richland Savings Bank, Mansfield, and general sales agent for the Mallinkrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, Missouri. Mr. Endly is secretary of the Great America Mutual Indemnity Company and vice president of the Buckeye Union Mutual Insurance Company, both of Mansfield; director of the Westervelt-Griswold Company and the Griswold Securities Company, both of Cleveland; former state senator of the Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth Ohio districts; and director of the Richland County Automobile Club. Mr. Black is president of the Ohio Brass Company and the Great American Mutual Indemnity County, both of Mansfield, and of the Ohio Insulator Company of Barberton, Ohio; a director of the Mansfield Sheet and Tin Plate Company, the Citizens National Bank, the Columbia Tire and Rubber Company and the Perfect Rubber Company, all of Mansfield; and president of the Board of Trustees of the Mansfield General Hospital of his city.

Ohio Brass Company. The Ohio Brass Company of Mansfield is one of the older and larger industries of that manufacturing city. The business was organized in 1888, starting with about twenty employes and a paid up capital of five thousand dollars. The company now has one other large factory, in Barbertown, Ohio, and also one in Canada, and the three plants employ about two thousand people. The Mansfield plant furnishes employment for over one thousand workers.

The original output was valves and a general brass foundry business. In later years the company has concentrated largely on electric equipment, including overhead line material, rail bonds and third rail insulators for electric railways, electrified steam roads, mines and industrial haulage; and high tension porcelain insulators. The company still produces a complete line of brass valves.

This company started operation in a rented building, and in 1898 bought a group of factory buildings on the present site. These buildings were practically destroyed in 1905, and construction was immediately begun on a new group of buildings, specially designed for efficiency and systematic handling of material, and since then it has been noted as one of the model manufacturing plants of the state.

David Louis Webb, conspicuous business man of Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio, was born on March 12, 1842, in Adams County, same state, and is the son of John and Eliza (Lewis) Webb. The father was a successful and prosperous farmer and a dealer in timber and lumber in Adams County, where he attained prominence as a trustworthy neighbor and a reputable citizen. He and his wife were reliable members of the Christian Church, and both took an active and spirited interest in the affairs of the community where they lived. The father of John was William, who was a native of Germany and came to the United States at an early date and was here married and passed the remainder of his life, leaving an enviable reputation and considerable property.

David L. Webb grew to maturity on his father's farm, and there learned how to conduct agricultural operations with satisfactory profit. While growing up he assisted his father in the timber and lumber business also. As his services were needed on the farm and in the forests, he did not receive as good an education as he deserved. However, he attended the common schools. When he was fourteen years old his father moved from Adams County to Scioto County, and here it was that he finished his education at the age of sixteen. Then he left school and devoted his whole time in assisting his father on the farm and in the timber, mainly the latter. At the start he peeled bark, hauled logs and did anything that would help. He was thus occupied until he was twenty-one years old, and then started out for himself.

He then secured a job with the T. W. Coan & Smith Sawmill Company, and was engaged with them for three years, during which important period he became very proficient in all the milling operations, particularly the effective handling of the engine,

which he often operated alone, much to the satisfaction of his employers. At the end of the three years he was given a responsible position with the T. G. Adamson Company, who were in the same business, and was thus occupied for nine years, of which for eight years, he served as foreman. He then had amassed sufficient wealth and had gained enough knowledge of the lumber business to make a start for himself. Accordingly he secured his own mill and forests in Greenup County, Kentucky, where for about six months he was very busy getting a start. It was during this period that he formed a partnership with Henry H. Cuppett in the sawmill and general lumber business, which combination lasted for twenty-eight years.

It was about the year 1872-73 that he purchased approximately 6,000 acres of excellent timber land in Ohio, some ten miles from Portsmouth, to which he moved his mill and other apparatus and began operations at a place called Turkey Creek. There he operated the mill and transferred the lumber as fast as sawed to Portsmouth, where he owned a large lumber yard. In 1884 he built a large sawmill at Portsmouth at Front and Madison streets, which he conducted for several years, and then started a large planing mill and greatly enlarged his lumber yard. He moved permanently to Portsmouth in 1885, but still kept his sawmill on Turkey Creek in commission. He at last gave up the sawmill in Portsmouth, but continued the planing mill on an extensive scale. On June 23, 1898, the planing mill was destroyed by fire, without insurance, the loss amounting to $13,000. On September 2, 1898, the sawmill on Turkey Creek was also burned to the ground, the loss reaching the sum of $3,000.

These serious losses did not stop him from active operations along the same lines. He at once leased a large planing mill plant on Gallia Street, near where the Excelsior Shoe Company's plant now stands, and operated it with steadily increasing success from 1900 to 1913. Before this prosperous period Mr. Cuppett had sold out to Mr. Webb, and the latter was busy alone in the big planing mill. Notwithstanding the enormous losses by fire mentioned above Mr. Webb soon fully regained his prosperity, paid all his obligations and recovered his business equilibrium. In 1913 he sold his plant and purchased his present site and soon was in full and satisfactory operation with rapidly advancing patronage. He is now the owner of one of the largest and most successful plants of the kind in the city—large lumber yard, very effective planing mill, an immense stock of general building supplies of all sorts, and a vast trade over a large section of the country.

He is a staunch republican and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Chamber of Commerce. He served as school director in Niles Township and as president of the Portsmouth Water Works Board. On February 17, 1866, at Pond Run, he married Sophia Holt, daughter of David and Jerusha (Mershone) Holt, and to this union the following children were born: Emmie, David L. Jr., Thomas J., Charles and Henry, all of whom are married and happy. David L. Jr., is associated in business with his father. He received his education in the public schools of Portsmouth, and on November 15, 1892, at Portsmouth, married Harriet Amy, daughter of John and Julia Hopkins. David L. Jr., now takes an active and prominent part in all worthy public affairs.

Otho W. Kennedy has been a member of the Bucyrus bar for almost a quarter of a century. In that time he has achieved more than local reputation as a skillful and hard working lawyer, has performed his share of public responsibilities connected with his profession, and his leadership in the community is generally acknowledged.

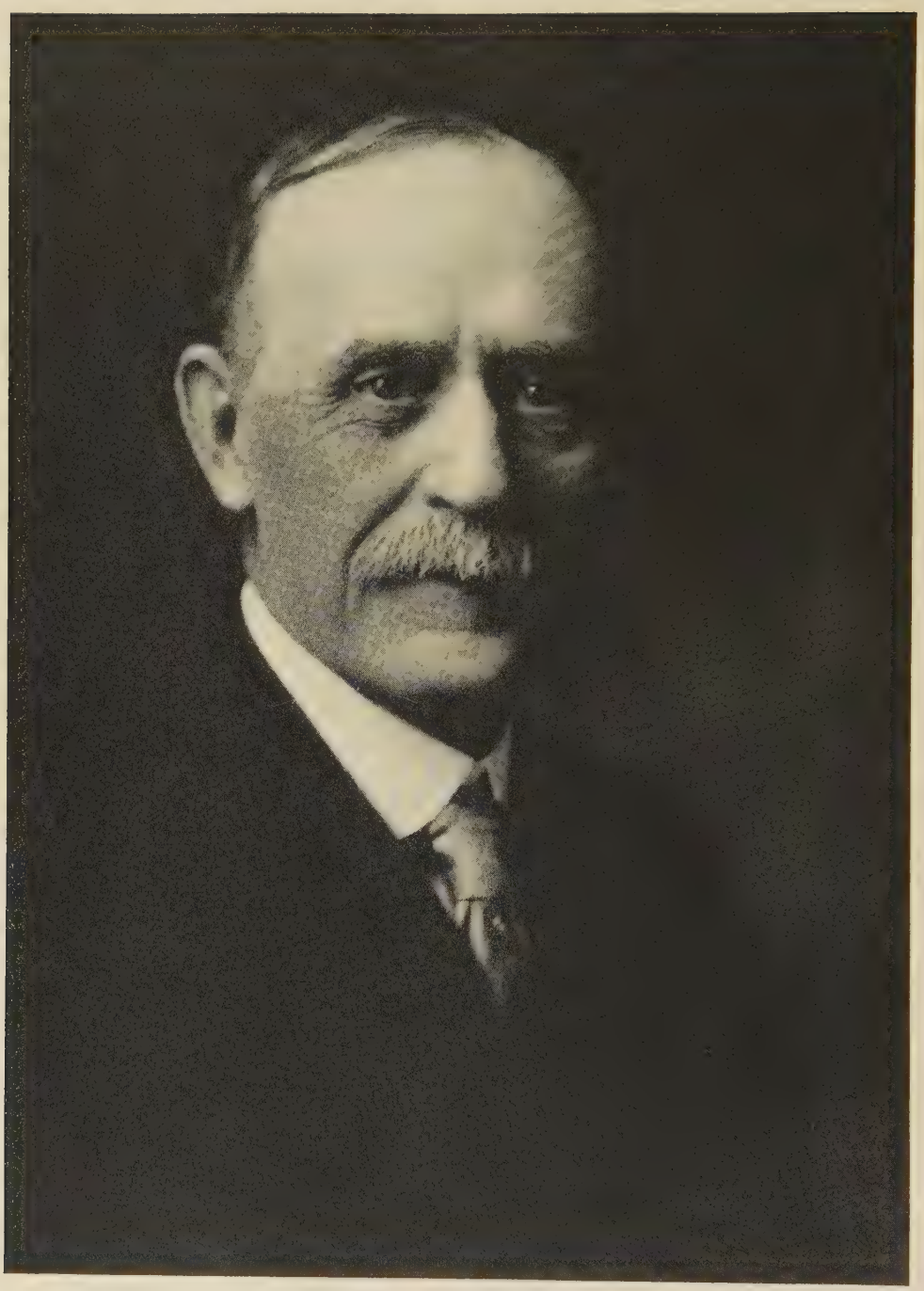
Mr. Kennedy was born on a farm May 25, 1878, son of Thomas S. and Hester F. (Monnette) Kennedy. His parents were born, reared and married in Marion County, Ohio, and from there moved to Crawford County, where his father was prosperously engaged in farming the rest of his years. He was active in public affairs as a democrat and as a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Of twelve children ten are still living: Thomas M., assistant cashier and director of a bank at Bucyrus; William C., a farmer in Marion County; Otho W.; Orange D., a Crawford County farmer; Myron G., a druggist at Marion; Amy E., wife of Sam F. Stump, a farmer in Crawford County; Olive E., wife of R. B. Lisle, a minister of the Methodist Church; Ralph C., who is in the real estate business at San Luis Obispo, California; Myrtle F., wife of F. E. Tanner, a civil engineer by profession and now county engineer of Medina County, Ohio; and Almet E., who operates the home farm.

Otho W. Kennedy grew up on the farm of his parents, attended public schools there, and subsequently finished his higher literary education in Ohio Northern University at Ada. In the meantime he taught school. He graduated Bachelor of Law from the law department of Ohio Northern University and also studied law in Western Reserve University at Cleveland. He received his law degree and was admitted to the bar December 6, 1902, and early in the following year moved to Bucyrus and has been steadily engaged in practice there. Mr. Kennedy was elected solicitor of Bucyrus, and filled that office three terms, from January, 1908, to January, 1914. He was then elected and in January, 1915, became county prosecuting attorney, and served two terms, until January, 1919. He was in charge of this office during the World war period, when many additional duties had to be performed. He also acted as government appeal agent during that period.

November 24, 1910, Mr. Kennedy married Edna T. Birk. She is a graduate of the Bucyrus High School and for a number of years was a successful teacher there. They have one son, Paul C., born August 18, 1914. Mr. Kennedy is a member of the Lutheran Church, is a past worthy president of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Loyal Order of Moose. He is a stockholder and attorney for the Farmers and Citizens Bank and Savings Company and was one of its organizers. He is also president of the Crawford County Savings and Loan Company.

Hon. Lewis H. Battefeld has been a resident of Bucyrus for sixty-three years. His name has been synonymous with the sound industry and good citizenship of that town, and his fellow citizens have again and again conferred upon him the honors of public office, including membership in the Legislature.

Mr. Battefeld was born at Columbus, Ohio, September 13, 1842, son of Ludwig and Christina (Bieber) Battefeld. His father was a native of Hesse-Darmstadt and his mother of Wurttemberg, Germany. She came to the United States with her parents in 1831 and they settled on a farm near New Washington in Crawford County. In 1835 she and a schoolmate walked to Columbus to get domestic work, and while in that city in 1841 she married Ludwig Battefeld, who had recently come over from Germany. They established their home in Columbus, and both died during the cholera epidemic, six weeks apart. Four children survive them. The maternal grandfather of these children drove a wagon to Columbus and took the four orphans back to New Washington, where all of them grew up. Lewis H. was



the oldest of the four children. His brother Conrad became a Union soldier, and died soon after the close of the Civil war. One other son is still living, John Battefeld, a retired resident of Marion, Ohio.

Lewis H. Battefeld grew up on the farm of his grandparents in Crawford County, and after a common school education he was bound out to learn the trade of saddler and harness maker, and worked for one employer eleven years. Mr. Battefeld was for thirty-five years engaged in the brick and drain tile business at Bucyrus, and he still owns the plant. He has had a successful business career, and is now retired.

On July 2, 1867, he married Miss Philipina Krebs. She was born in Germany, August 4, 1840, and when nine years of age was brought to this country by her parents, who located in Crawford County. Mrs. Battefeld died in 1917. There is one son, Lewis P. Battefeld, a prosperous dry goods merchant at Bucyrus. Mr. Battefeld is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and in politics has always been identified with the democratic party. He was appointed and served as marshal of Bucyrus, also constable three years, and in 1885 was elected township trustee, a post of duty he filled six years. In 1895 he was chosen a member of the board of county commissioners, and gave his time and judgment to the work of that body for six years. His service in the Legislature was for two terms, being elected in 1910 and in 1912.

Clement L. Spriggs has had a long and useful career as an Ohio man, has been identified with the profession of teaching, also with coal mining, and for a number of years has been a resident of Bucyrus, where he is now serving as justice of the peace.

He was born in Noble County, Ohio, May 27, 1863, son of Dr. William S. and Matilda (Gant) Spriggs. His grandfather, Morris Spriggs, was born in Philadelphia, learned the trade of gunsmith and tailor, and followed those occupations until he came to Ohio, where he bought a farm. He was engaged in agricultural pursuits in Ohio until 1870, when he moved to Illinois and bought another farm in that state, and remained there until his death. Dr. William S. Spriggs was born in Belmont County, Ohio, in April, 1837, being one of the six sons and two daughters of his parents. All of these children at some time or other followed the profession of teaching, and all the sons became either doctors or lawyers. Dr. William S. Spriggs after teaching for a few years entered Starling Medical College, was graduated, and then for many years enjoyed an extensive town and country practice at Sarahsville, then the county seat of Noble County. He remained there until his death in 1904. He was a member of the Masonic Order. His first wife, Matilda Gant, was born in Noble County, in January, 1837, and was the mother of three children: Edgar Spriggs, a farmer in Illinois; Ethel, now living at Sarahsville, who in the course of her professional work as a teacher was connected with the schools of Chicago for twenty-eight years; and Clement L.

Clement L. Spriggs was reared in Sarahsville, attended the common schools there, took a normal course, and at the age of sixteen he taught his first term of school. Mr. Spriggs as a teacher did his work in Noble, Washington and Athens counties, and was prominent in the profession for twenty years. Following that he was connected with the coal mining industry in Southeastern Ohio until he removed to Bucyrus fifteen years ago. At one time he served as township treasurer in Athens County. He has administered his duties as justice of the peace at Bucyrus in the most creditable manner. He is a democrat and is a past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Spriggs married Miss Kate Marquis, of Noble County. Their five children are: Mrs. Lulu Knowles; Ruby, wife of Hugh Lahr, of Crawford County; Kenneth S., who served in the regular army five years and was a sergeant overseas during the World war, and is now a resident of Salt Lake City, Utah; Donald M., who also saw service with the American Expeditionary Forces in France; and Elba, wife of Fred Zaebst, of Dayton, Ohio.

John Peebles. The name Peebles for more than a century has been conspicuous in the history of Southern Ohio, particularly the section of the state known as the Hanging Rock Iron Region. Mr. John Peebles, of Portsmouth, is the last surviving representative of his generation and is a son of the pioneer ironmaster, John Geddes Peebles, and a grandson of John Peebles, who founded the family in the Scioto Valley.

The founder of the American branch of the family was William Peebles, who was born at the town of Peebles, near Edinburgh, Scotland. When he was an infant his parents moved to the North of Ireland, where he was reared and educated, and as a young man he came to America and settled in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. When the war for independence broke out he raised a company of soldiers, equipped them at his personal expense, and became captain in the Second Battalion of Miles Penn's Rifle Regiment, March 9, 1776. In a battle with the British on Long Island, August 27, 1776, he was wounded and taken prisoner, and died in prison September 5, 1776. After his death the government reimbursed his family in Continental money and gave them a deed of 2,000 acres.

John Peebles, who was born near Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, November 21, 1769, was a boy when his father met a patriot's death, and though in limited circumstances, grew up to strong and self reliant manhood, serving an apprenticeship at the cabinet maker's trade. On November 17, 1795, he married Margaret Rodgers, also a native of Shippensburg, Cumberland County, where she was born May 17, 1777. Some years after their marriage, in 1807, they started for Ohio, traveling with wagons to Brownsville, Pennsylvania, and thence by flatboat down the Ohio River, landing at Portsmouth, near the mouth of the Scioto River. At that time Chillicothe was the capital of the state, and the family moved there, where John Peebles followed his trade for a few years, and also built a saw mill and manufactured furniture from cherry and walnut timber. Subsequently he returned to Chillicothe, and in 1819 he started again with his family, this time for the prairies of Illinois. A boat carried them down the canal to Portsmouth, where they arrived April 2, 1819. Mrs. Peebles objected to going to Illinois. The day they landed at Portsmouth they spent in a hotel on Front Street, and John Peebles negotiated for the purchase of the hotel the same day and thus became permanently identified with that section of Ohio. The following day was Sunday and they attended the Presbyterian Church, joining it by letters, and were faithful members of that church the rest of their lives. John Peebles for a time operated a nail factory at Portsmouth, but the slow process then in vogue made the business unprofitable. He conducted a hotel, engaged in the commission business, and held many offices of trust, including supervisor, overseer of poor, member of the board of health, town assessor, township trustee, secretary of the County Agricultural Society and a director of the Columbus and Portsmouth Turnpike Company. His last days were spent in Hanging Rock, Scioto County, where he died

October 22, 1846. His wife passed away August 28, 1847. They were the parents of ten children: William who died July 24, 1829, and was the first person buried in Greenlawn Cemetery; Rachel Rodgers, Elizabeth, Fanny Denny, Jane Finley, Richard R., Margaret H., Joseph Scott, John Geddes, and one that died in infancy.

John Geddes Peebles was born November 30, 1813, about five miles from Chillicothe, in Ross County, on Lick Run, where his father then had a farm, saw mill and furniture factory. He was about six years old when brought to Portsmouth, where he attended school. When he was fourteen he went back to Chillicothe, and was employed by his uncle, John McCoy, a merchant there. Subsequently he engaged in business as a commission agent, becoming a factor in the river traffic of that time, and was also a merchant in Portsmouth until the panic of 1837. In 1842 he located at Pine Grove Furnace, worked as a carpenter, and having made a practical study of the iron industry he and his brother Joseph S. Peebles and another associate, Capt. Samuel Coles, in 1844 acquired a half interest in the Pine Grove Furnace and Hanging Rock Coal Company. He was made manager of the business at the furnace, and from that time forward was one of the conspicuous men in the iron industry of the Hanging Rock Region. During the latter part of the war he was a resident of Ironton, but in 1865 returned to Portsmouth, and lived in a commodious home at the corner of Second and Washington streets. He was killed by a trolley car in front of his home October 30, 1901. He served as president of the Portsmouth National Bank from 1875 until his death, and was prominently identified with the Belfont Iron Works Company, the Ashland Coal Company, the Ashland Coal and Iron Railway Company, and the Lexington and Big Sandy Railroad Company. He achieved his wealth honorably and used it for the benefit of his community. For many years he was president of the Board of Trustees of the Children's Home.

June 10, 1835, John Geddes Peebles married Martha Rose Steele, who was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 29, 1816, daughter of Robert Steele. She died in November, 1903. They became the parents of nine children, rearing five, the only survivor being Mr. John Peebles. The others were Robert, Margaret J., Mary E. and Richard R.

John Peebles was born at Pine Grove Furnace in Lawrence County, was educated in the country schools of Pine Grove Furnace, in an academy at Sewickley, Pennsylvania, and the Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio. For several years he was a clerk for the manufacturing firm of Johnson, Peebles & Company, and in 1873 he and Joseph G. Reed engaged in the wholesale dry goods business. He was interested in this business for a quarter of a century, since which time he has devoted his energies to the management of the large estate of his father and his own private interests. He organized in 1902 the Peebles Paving Brick Company, and has since been its president, and after his father's death he became president of Portsmouth National Bank, serving in that capacity until this bank was consolidated with the First National Bank. He is an officer and director in several iron and mining companies, and with his son has large interests in farming and stock raising.

In 1870 Mr. Peebles married Sarah Lynn Tewksbury, a native of Scioto County, daughter of Moor Russell and Sarah (Lynn) Tewksbury, and a granddaughter of Ezekiel Tewksbury, a native of Amherst, Massachusetts, and his wife, Sallie Barron, of North Haverhill, New Hampshire. Her maternal grandparents were Andrew and Jane Lynn, of Browne County, Ohio. The first wife of Mr. Peebles died July 7, 1881, leaving one daughter, Martha Steele Peebles. This daughter married Mr. Elmer Dover. Mr. Dover has been a conspicuous figure in Ohio and national politics. He was in the newspaper business until 1897, and served as private secretary to Senator Hanna until the death of that Ohio statesman in 1904. He was secretary of the Republican National Committee four years, and had charge of the presidential campaign of the late President Harding on the Pacific Coast in 1920. In December, 1921, he was made assistant secretary of the treasury, but had since resigned and is now living at Los Angeles, California. Mr. and Mrs. Dover have one daughter, Mary Elizabeth Dover, wife of Gerald Todd. Gerald Todd, Jr., is a great-grandson of Mr. John Peebles, and the latter is properly proud of this representative in the fourth generation.

In 1888 Mr. Peebles married Antoinette Lloyd, a native of Portsmouth, daughter of Richard and Mary Ella (Bentley) Lloyd. Her mother was a daughter of Aholiab and Mary (McCauley) Bentley, and granddaughter of Benjamin and Mary (Baldwin) Bentley. By his second marriage Mr. Peebles has two children, Miriam and Joseph Bentley Peebles. Miriam by her first marriage had a son, Jay Lee Cross, Jr., and she is now the wife of S. D. Arrowwood, of New York City, connected with the Cannon Cotton Mills Company. Mr. and Mrs. Arrowwood have one son, John Peebles Arrowwood.

Joseph Bentley Peebles married Ellen Vandervoert and they have two children, Martha Bentley and Nancy. Joseph B. Peebles is associated with his father in the Peebles Realty Company and the Peebles Land Company, also superintendent of the Peebles Paving Brick Company. They still own a large amount of land, though the state several years ago took over 5,000 acres of their holdings as part of a state game preserve. Mr. Peebles and son are interested in the breeding of blooded cattle. They have two large herds of Herefords, one near Portsmouth, across the Scioto River, and one at Henley, Ohio.

Fernando J. Norton, who for forty-two years has been in the greenhouse and floral business at Bucyrus, is a representative in the third generation of the family that had most to do with the founding of this thriving and prosperous city of Central Ohio.

It was his grandfather, Samuel Norton, who came from Pennsylvania and acquired the land on which most of Bucyrus is now built. He entered this land from the government. Subsequently he laid out a town, gave it its name, and by his enterprise and generosity insured its substantial growth. He gave the ground for the courthouse, jail, schoolhouse and the Baptist Church, of which he was a charter member. Altogether he owned a section of land here, and assisted many of the early settlers to get started. He operated a hotel and also a stage line from Sandusky to Columbus.

Jefferson Norton, son of Samuel and Mary Norton, the pioneers, was reared in Bucyrus, and during an active career was engaged in the carriage business. He died August 20, 1876. He was a member of the Baptist Church, was treasurer of the Masonic Lodge and a republican voter. By his marriage to Eleanore Byron, he was the father of six children, four of whom are still living.

Fernando J. Norton was born at Bucyrus, December 28, 1859. He attended the local public schools during his youth, and he also learned the carriage wood work trade. He followed this four years, and then for six and one-half years was in the railroad service, first as a fireman and later for three years as an engineer. While railroading he built his first greenhouse, and in 1882 resigned from the railroad to give all his time and attention to this business, which proved successful beyond his expectations.

Thos. G. Pulsford

He has now been the florist of Bucyrus for forty-two years, has the only business of its kind there, and his products are distributed to many surrounding towns. His plant includes 30,000 square feet under glass.

Mr. Norton's first wife was Anna L. Adams, and after her death he married Helen Roehr. His five children are all by his first marriage. The three daughters, Myrtle, Mary and Mabel, are graduates of business college. The son Arthur is associated with his father in the floral business. Harry J. is in the automobile business at Mansfield, Ohio. The family are members of the Baptist Church. Mr. Norton is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, a member of the Eastern Star, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, has filled all the chairs in the Knights of the Maccabees, and is also a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, the Royal Home and the Royal Arcanum.

PHIL H. HEATER. One of the most substantial industries of the City of Bucyrus is the Rufenacht Rubber Company, of which Phil H. Heater is secretary and treasurer. Mr. Heater has been identified with the rubber industry at Bucyrus for a number of years, and through his own energies and abilities has made himself one of the prominent men in Central Ohio business circles.

He was born on a farm in Crawford County, January 28, 1873, son of Phil H. and Henrietta (Fawley) Heater. His parents were both natives of Virginia, were educated in private schools there, and his father was born and reared at Leesburg. He served as a Union soldier during the Civil war, and afterward became a farmer in Crawford County, Ohio. He died at the age of twenty-five, and his widow subsequently married again, and is now living at Pleasant Hill, Missouri. By the first marriage there were three children: John, foreman of the car inspecting department of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad; Minnie, wife of Lynn Turpin, of Kansas City; and Phil H.

Phil H. Heater was a small child when his father died, and grew up in the home of his paternal grandparents. He lived with them until he was nineteen, and in the meantime attended the common and high schools, and subsequently graduated from the scientific course and also from the commercial department of the Ohio Northern University at Ada.

Following this education he went to work at Cincinnati as stenographer to the general superintendent of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad. Mr. Heater had six years of work and experience with the railroad company. Following that he became a general merchant at Oceola in Crawford County, and sold goods at that point for ten years. He then started the elevator and supply house at Lemert in the same county, but after a year sold out and in 1916 joined the Bucyrus Rubber Company as timekeeper and shipping clerk. He soon became further interested in this industry, and in 1917 was elected president of the company, and is still its executive head. He has been secretary and treasurer of the Rufenacht Rubber Company since February, 1921.

Mr. Heater takes an active part in all civic and social affairs at Bucyrus. He is a member of the United Brethren Church, is affiliated with the Royal Arch, Council and Knight Templar Commandery of Masonry, and is a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he has always given his staunch support to the republican party and its principles. During the ten years he was a resident of Oceola he served as postmaster of the town. He was also township treasurer of Todd Township.

JULIUS JACOB BLISS came to Bucyrus forty-one years ago as principal of the local high school, and his activities and fortunes have been permanently identified with the city for nearly thirty years. As a banker, educator and a man of unusual range of culture and good faith has exercised a powerful influence in the community, particularly with respect to those institutions that exemplify the enlightened public spirit.

Mr. Bliss was born in Russell Township, Geauga County, Ohio, May 16, 1854. He represents a line of sturdy New England ancestry. One of his ancestors came over and joined the Plymouth Colony in Massachusetts as early as 1636. There were three members of the Bliss family who were soldiers in the Revolution. The grandfather of the Bucyrus banker was Col. Otis B. Bliss, a soldier of the Mexican war. Colonel Bliss married a Miss Potter, a descendant of Roger Williams, founder of Rhode Island and Providence plantations. Olney, Reuben Bliss, father of Julius J., though unable to render service in the field as a soldier in the Civil war, did his bit by drilling militia. He married Mahala J. McFarland, a descendant of Duncan McFarland, who came from Scotland to Massachusetts as early as 1719.

Julius Jacob Bliss was reared from the age of five years at Bainbridge in Geauga County, lived on a farm there, attended the local schools, and by his own earnings acquired his higher education. He taught school as a youth, and in this way and by other resources paid his expenses while in Hiram College and in Oberlin College. He holds the degrees Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts from Oberlin. Leaving college in 1881, Mr. Bliss was for one year superintendent of schools at Kelleys Island, and from there came to Bucyrus and was principal of a high school two and one-half years. For ten years Mr. Bliss was superintendent of the Crestline schools. In 1895 he returned to Bucyrus, and for twelve years was superintendent of the city schools. Since then he has been an official in the Bucyrus City Bank. He helped organize and from its establishment has been a director and secretary of the board of directors of the Bucyrus Public Library, and he was a leader in establishing the Young Men's Christian Association at Bucyrus and for several years was its president. Mr. Bliss has been a more or less regular contributor of prose and verse to the local press and other publications. He has been independent in politics, is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

June 24, 1886, Mr. Bliss married Miss Ella May Fuhrman, daughter of Thomas and Adeline (Kirby) Fuhrman, and a cousin of Gen. Miner Kirby. Her grandfather, Sebastian Fuhrman, was a soldier under Napoleon. Mrs. Bliss' mother died when the daughter was an infant, and she grew up in the home and as foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Donnenwirth, of Bucyrus, living with them until her marriage. She is a graduate of the Bucyrus High School and for many years has taken a leading part in the social affairs of the community. Mr. and Mrs. Bliss had three children, one of whom died in infancy, and the two living are Marion and George who married Mildred Jones, their home being in Beulah, Michigan, and Mary Mahala, who is the wife Edgar W. Thompson, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and they are the parents of a daughter, Eleanor Bliss Thompson.

GEORGE DONNENWIRTH, who died at Bucyrus January 15, 1923, was one of the most highly honored business men of that city, and had lived there sixty years, earning success by his strenuous exertions and noble integrity of character.

He was born at Columbus, January 28, 1835, and in 1838 his parents, George and Sophia Donnenwirth,

moved to New Washington, Crawford County. Here George Donnenwirth was reared. He had received his early education in the common schools of Columbus. At the age of fifteen he began learning the blacksmith's trade with his father, but later returned to Columbus and finished his education there. In 1855 he went to Sandusky City, working in a grocery store there, and in 1857 spent some months as a clerk at Burlington, Iowa. About the beginning of 1858 he started his career as a citizen of Bucyrus. He was in partnership with Henry Anthony, and later continued the mercantile business for himself. For thirty-five years he was president of the Bucyrus City Bank, which he helped organize in 1881. He became a vice president, and in January, 1888, its president. He was for twenty-five years a member of the school board, deeply interested in the subject of good schools, was township treasurer and member of the city council, but beyond such positions was not concerned with the honors of politics. He was generous, public spirited, and all citizens united in the opinion that he had been one of the great constructive forces in the history of Bucyrus for more than half a century. At the time of his death he was the oldest living member of the Bucyrus Lodge, Knights of Pythias and was also a member of the Elks and of Good Hope Lutheran Church.

November 23, 1865, he married Miss Mary Ann Fuhrman. They had no children of their own, but reared their niece, Ella M. Fuhrman until her marriage to Mr. J. J. Bliss, of Bucyrus. Mrs. Donnenwirth died January 3, 1923, and the death of her husband followed less than two weeks later.

Jefferson I. Smith, former deputy county treasurer of Crawford County, has an interesting record in business and public service, and is one of the county's best known and most highly esteemed citizens.

He was born in Lykens Township of that county April 24, 1863, son of Frederick and Lucy A. (Supp) Smith. His father, who was born in Saxony, Germany, April 1, 1816, lived in his native land until the age of twenty-one, and, coming to the United States, settled at Columbus. From there he removed to Crawford County. Lucy Supp was his second wife, and was born in Pennsylvania in 1830. Frederick Smith was a stone mason and brick layer by trade, but in Crawford County engaged in farming, and became one of the most substantial citizens of the county. He was well educated, and for a number of years held the office of justice of the peace. He was also active in politics and in his church. Of ten children eight are now living, all residents of Crawford County and four of them in Bucyrus.

Jefferson I. Smith lived on the home farm until he was eighteen years of age. He attended country schools, a village high school, and had his share of experience as a teacher. While living at New Washington he served as one of the county school examiners from 1890 to 1896. Mr. Smith for many years has been more or less regularly identified with the newspaper business. He was in that line of work at New Washington, connected with the New Washington Herald for twelve years. His home has been at Bucyrus since July, 1897. For five years he was deputy county auditor, and was then elected on the democratic ticket to the office of county auditor, which he held from 1902 to 1909. Following that term of office he reengaged in the newspaper business and also in insurance work. In 1913 he became deputy county treasurer, and was identified with the county treasurer's office until 1924. For nine months of this time he was treasurer, filling an unexpired term.

Mr. Smith married Miss Linnie Breneman on October 8, 1885. She was born in Wayne County, Ohio, daughter of John H. and Lydia (McNary) Breneman. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have one son, Russell, who graduated from high school, from Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, also did post-graduate work in the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland and the University of Chicago, and is now superintendent of the high school at Crestline, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a democrat, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. All public matters have enlisted his hearty support and cooperation, and he was one of the founders of the Bucyrus Young Men's Christian Association, and was president of that institution for two years.

George E. Ryan, proprietor of the cooperative store at Bucyrus, has been an active factor in the business life of that city since early manhood and has achieved enviable success.

He was born at Hebron, Licking County, Ohio, May 3, 1887, son of William and Mary E. (Whitely) Ryan, his father a native of Kentucky and his mother of Fairfield County, Ohio. William Ryan is a resident of Bucyrus, is an engineer in the practical service of the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad, and has an enviable record of about forty years' employment with that railroad company. He is one of the older members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Of his three children two are living, George E. and Lucile. The daughter is a graduate of the Bucyrus High School.

George E. Ryan lived in Perry County, Ohio, until he was fifteen years of age, and while there attended public schools. After the family moved to Bucyrus he attended high school, graduating in 1906. Mr. Ryan has been almost continuously associated with one business establishment. He started as a delivery boy in a grocery store, earned successive promotions and for three years managed the business, and in July, 1922, bought the cooperative store of which he is now sole proprietor.

Mr. Ryan has also been interested in local affairs. He served three terms as township clerk and two terms as trustee, and has been clerk of the Bucyrus Township Consolidated School District, holding that position when the splendid high school building was erected. He is a democrat in politics. He and his family are members of the Good Hope Lutheran Church, and he is president of the Lutheran Brotherhood and treasurer of the Pastor's Class. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Knights of the Maccabees and the Kiwanis Club. At the present time Mr. Ryan is one of the valued members of the city government, representing the Third Ward in the Council.

September 18, 1912, he married Miss Bertha C. Munz. They graduated from the same class at high school. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan's two daughters are; Barbara, born June 10, 1914, and Ruth, born June 11, 1917.

Charles I. McNeal, who saw active service on the Mexican border and overseas in France with the rank of lieutenant, since his return from abroad has been assistant county engineer of Crawford County. He is a highly qualified man in his profession.

Mr. McNeal was born in Wyandot County, Ohio, February 19, 1888, son of James C. and Martha E. (Wise) McNeal. His father was born in Crawford County, in 1853, lived on a farm there until he was twenty, and then learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed until recent years. He married Martha E. Wise, of Lake County, Indiana, and for six years they lived at Crown Point in that county. Since then their home has been at Bucyrus. His father is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at Nevada, Ohio, and is a

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democrat, and the mother is a member of the English Lutheran Church. There are three children: Mervin, a carpenter and contractor; Charles I.; and Ulah, wife of Robert Hennecke, of Omaha, Nebraska.

Charles I. McNeal spent his early life on the farm, and acquired a country school education. Farming was his regular work and vocation until he was twenty-three years of age. He then moved to Bucyrus, was employed as a mechanic in a garage, and for three years was connected with the street paving business. In the meantime he had been serving with a unit of the Ohio National Guard. He accompanied his regiment to the Mexican border June 16, 1916, and remained on duty there until March 23, 1917. During the interval of three months he was employed in the county engineer's office. On July 15, 1917, he joined the colors for service in the World war and on the 24th of August was sent to Camp Sheridan, Alabama, where he remained ten months, going there with the rank of second lieutenant and being promoted to first lieutenant. June 15, 1918, his command embarked for France, landed on the 22d of June, and before the close of the war he saw duty on five different fronts in France and two in Belgium. He remained overseas until March 18, 1919, arrived in the United States April 1, and was mustered out at Camp Sherman, Ohio, April 13. He then returned to Bucyrus, and resumed his duties as assistant county engineer.

September 12, 1921, Mr. McNeal married Alma Auck, who graduated from the Bucyrus High School in 1918. She is a member of the Methodist Church and he belongs to the English Lutheran denomination. Lieutenant McNeal is one of the charter members and the present commander of Colonel Crawford Post No. 181, American Legion. He is also affiliated with Bucyrus Lodge No. 139, Free and Accepted Masons, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and is a democrat in politics.

Russell J. Caton, M. D., an accomplished physician and surgeon, who has been engaged in practice at Bucyrus since he finished his medical course, also had a record of service as a medical officer with the American Forces during the World war.

Doctor Caton, who is the present coroner of Crawford County, was born in Knox County, Ohio, September 20, 1891, son of A. L. and Mary M. (Lanning) Caton. His parents were both born in Morrow County, Ohio, and his father is a retired merchant now living at Cardington in that county. Doctor Canton spent the first seven years of his life on a farm. He began his education in a country school. The family then moved to Chesterville, Ohio, where he attended the village school, and when he was ten they moved to Coschocton, where he continued his public school work until he was fourteen. At that time the family took up their residence at Cardington. Doctor Caton graduated from the Cardington High School in 1909. He then entered Starling, Ohio, Medical College at Columbus, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1913. During the same year he located at Bucyrus, and in a short time his abilities and personality had gained for him a successful practice. In 1917 Doctor Caton was commissioned and entered service with the Army Medical Corps. He was attached to the One Hundred Forty-sixth Infantry, Thirty-seventh Division, and was on duty with that division both in the home camps and in France until mustered out April 13, 1919. He was discharged with the rank of captain, and has since continued his interest in the Federalized National Guard and is now major of the Medical Corps, in command of the medical detachment of the One Hundred Thirty-fifth Field Artillery at Bucyrus. After leaving the army he resumed private practice, and is one of the leaders in his profession at Bucyrus.

Doctor Caton married Miss Flora Kahnheimer, of Cardington, Ohio. She is a graduate of the Cardington High School and of Ohio University at Athens. They have two children, Mary Ella, born in 1914, and Hazel Lucile, born in 1920. Doctor Caton and wife are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Junior Order United American Mechanics, and is a democrat. He was elected county coroner in November, 1920, and in 1922 was reelected to that office. He is a member of the Bucyrus Academy of Medicine and the Crawford County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and also belongs to the Association of Military Surgeons.

William M. Ott, a former mayor of Bucyrus, is also a merchant of that city, and has given the greater part of his active career to a hardware business established by his father and continued through a period of a half century.

William M. Ott was born at Bucyrus, January 23, 1878, son of G. A. and Elizabeth (Shealy) Ott. His grandfather, John G. Ott, was a saw mill operator, and operated mills in Central Ohio, manufacturing large quantities of timber for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. G. A. Ott was born at Kenton in Hardin County, Ohio, and his wife, in Crawford County. She died in 1901. In 1867 they came to Bucyrus. They were married December 21, 1876. G. A. Ott at the age of seventy-six is still active in the hardware and tinning business. He is one of the oldest Odd Fellows in Crawford County and is past noble grand of his lodge. His wife was a member of the Lutheran Church. They had seven children: William M.; Lydia, wife of H. T. Beelman; Emma; Harry L.; Carrie, wife of Doctor Zinke; Charles F.; and Ruth E., wife of Howard Keller, former county engineer of Crawford County. William M. Ott was reared in Bucyrus, attended grammar and high school, and at the age of fifteen began his business career in his father's store. He has been actively associated with the business and its manager for many years.

Mr. Ott gave Bucyrus a very vigorous administration of its municipal affairs during the four years he held the office of mayor. He is a democrat, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Loyal Order of Moose, and he and his wife are members of the Lutheran and Presbyterian churches, respectively. He married Miss Grace R. Davis, of Delphos, Ohio, June 24, 1915. She is a graduate of the Delphos High School.

Arthur Karl Beumler, M. D. A native son of Scioto County, Doctor Beumler since graduating in medicine has conducted a busy practice at South Webster, and is one of the live and progressive men in that community.

He was born at Portsmouth in Scioto County, April 16, 1893, son of George C. and Martha (Henneman) Beumler. His grandfathers, Henry Beumler and Jacob Henneman, were both born in Germany and came to the United States in the fifties, the Beumlers settling in Steam Furnace, Kentucky, and the Hennemans in Marietta, Ohio. The parents of Doctor Beumler are living at Portsmouth, his father a native of Kentucky and his mother of Ohio. George C. Beumler is cashier in the Gilbert Wholesale Grocery Company, at Portsmouth, and is a prominent member of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, serving on the Official Board and as treasurer of the Men's Bible Class. He is a member of the Chamber

of Commerce, and the Masonic Order and the Royal Arcanum.

The only child of his parents, Arthur Karl Beumler was educated in the public schools of his native city, graduating from high school in 1911. Following that he took the full classical course in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1917. At Delaware he was a member of the Alpha Sigma Phi. He prepared for his profession in the College of Medicine, University of Cincinnati, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1921, and while there was in the Medical Reserve Corps of the Students Army Training Corps. He is a member of the Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity. After graduating he was for one year an interne in Christ Hospital of Cincinnati, and in 1922 engaged in practice at South Webster.

Doctor Beumler, who is unmarried, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and belongs to the County and State Medical Societies, and is a Fellow of the American Medical Association. He is also a member of the staff of Hempstead Hospital, Portsmouth, Ohio.

Emanuel R. Birk, former county treasurer of Crawford County, is active head of a harness and leather business that was established by his father at Bucyrus and has been continuously conducted by the family for nearly seventy years.

Emanuel R. Birk was born at Bucyrus, July 25, 1866, son of John G. and Hannah (Kuhn) Birk. His father was born in Wurttemberg, Germany, July 22, 1823, and about 1845 came to the United States, spending a short time at Zoar, Ohio, and from there removing to Bucyrus. He had learned the saddlery and harness making trade in the old country, and after several years of experience as a journeyman worker he started a shop of his own in 1850, and continued as proprietor of the Birk Harness Store until his death in 1888. He was a staunch democrat, and in 1872 was honored with election as county treasurer of Crawford County. He and his wife were among the leading members of the German Lutheran Church of Bucyrus. His wife was also a native of Wurttemberg, and was brought to the United States when one year of age and was reared at Bucyrus, where she married. They had seven children, two of whom died in infancy, and Lewis C., born January 19, 1854, and associated with his brother Emanuel in the harness store, died January 31, 1923. The others are still living: Christian, born April 29, 1852, is a former sheriff of Crawford County, and is in the drug business; Elizabeth, born October 20, 1856, is the wife of F. P. Donnenwirth, of Bucyrus; Emanuel R.; and George M., born February 25, 1869, in the drug business at Bucyrus.

Emanuel R. Birk as a boy in Bucyrus attended the public schools and learned the harness and leather business in his father's establishment, and has been actively identified with it for over a third of a century. He is also a stockholder in the Bucyrus City Bank.

October 20, 1892, he married Miss Melinka Vollrath, who was born at Bucyrus, August 10, 1866. Mr. and Mrs. Birk are members of the Good Hope Lutheran Church, and he is a member of the Men's League. Fraternally he is affiliated with Bucyrus Lodge of Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council degree, Marion Commandery of Knights Templar, Scottish Rite Consistory and Alladin Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Columbus. He also belongs to the Eastern Star and is a charter member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Moose. In politics Mr. Birk has been a leader in the democratic party. He served ten years as township treasurer in addition to his four year term as county treasurer.

Joseph D. Wise. One of the oldest business concerns of Bucyrus is the firm of William Wise & Sons, furniture and undertaking, a business that has had a continued existence and service for nearly sixty years.

Its founder was William Wise, Sr., who was born in Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1824. When about ten years of age, in 1833, the family moved to Bucyrus, where they were pioneers. William Wise began his apprenticeship at the cabinet making trade with C. Howenstein at the age of eighteen, and subsequently for some years was associated as a partner of Mr. Howenstein. In 1866 he established his own business as a furniture dealer and undertaker on what is now South Sandusky Avenue, occupying an old frame building on the site of the present modern store. In 1889 the Wise block, a brick structure, was erected there, and recently this building was completely remodeled and improved, so that now 20,000 square feet of floor space is available for the business.

William Wise, Sr., was an active member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and was its chorister for over thirty years and also one of the elders. In 1880 he associated his son Preston J. Wise with the business, under the name of William Wise & Son. Preston Wise died September 11, 1890. Other sons came into the business, making the firm William Wise & Sons, and that title is still retained, though the founder of the business died October 16, 1901. The four sons who are now active in the business are William R., George L., Fred A. and Joseph D., all of them licensed embalmers. They have their father's talent in singing, and once they comprised a quartet well known in this section. The mother of these sons was Eliza J. Deardorff.

Of this firm Joseph D. Wise was born at Bucyrus, March 18, 1873, and is the youngest son. After graduating from high school he went into the business and learned it in every detail. On October 2, 1902, Mr. Wise married Olive Geyer, who is a graduate of the Musical Conservatory of Oberlin College. They have two sons: William Joseph, born January 8, 1904, a graduate of high school and now a student at Ohio State University, and James Edward, born December 22, 1911, a student in the public school. The family are members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Mr. Wise is affiliated with Bucyrus Lodge of Masons, is a past chancellor of the Knight of Pythias, a member of the Elks and the Rotary Club, and is a republican. He served as superintendent of the Sunday School of the Lutheran Church for twenty years.

James Feltis, a member of the Board of County Commissioners of Crawford County, represents an old family of this part of Ohio. He was reared in Crawford County, and for many years was in the lumber business and a contractor.

His parents were Solomon and Catherine (Wade) Feltis. His father was born in County Wexford, Ireland, February 20, 1820, and was of Scotch-Irish ancestry. He and his wife were married in Ireland in 1842, and their first two children were born there, Sarah F., in 1844, and Frank, in 1845. In 1847 Solomon Feltis came to the United States, finding a location at Sandusky, Ohio, where he followed his trade of tailor for one year. He then sent back money to enable his wife and two children to join him in 1848, and on their arrival he moved to Benton in Texas Township, Crawford County. He built a log cabin for the first home, and here the remaining children were born, Nancy Jane, who died in infancy, Margaret, Nancy Jane, James, Mary, John and Emma.

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Of these children Frank, James and John survive. Solomon Feltis and wife spent the rest of their years at Benton. He died in 1893, and his wife in 1898. They were members of the Church of England, and he served as postmaster of the Village of Benton during the '60s. His wife, born in 1823, was the daughter of an English soldier who held an office in Ireland corresponding to that of sheriff in this country.

James Feltis was reared at the old home place in Texas Township, and he now owns that property. He acquired a common school education, and as a young man began handling lumber, and gradually developed a large business as a bridge contractor and kept up that work until he entered upon his duties as a county official. Mr. Feltis served nine years as trustees of Texas Township. He was elected county commissioner in November, 1920, beginning his official term in September, 1921, and in 1922 he was reelected for a full four-years' term.

February 23, 1879, he married Miss Elizabeth Ashby, who was born in London, England, and was an infant when her parents came to the United States and settled first in Williams County and later in Crawford County, Ohio, at the Village of Benton. Mrs. Feltis died February 9, 1890. Of her four children two died in infancy, and the two daughters living are Clara, wife of R. L. Evans, of Crawford County, and Rettie, wife of Dennis Buxton. Mr. Feltis is a trustee of the United Brethren Church, is affiliated with Enterprise Lodge No. 579, Free and Accepted Masons, Sycamore Lodge No. 475, Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the United Commercial Travelers. He is a democrat, and is a stockholder in the News Forum, a leading democratic paper of Crawford County.

ORA I. ROSS has the distinction of having been the first woman ever elected to a county office in Crawford County. Her business training and other qualifications were so generally recognized that she received a most impressive vote at both the primaries and the general election, and has administered the office with an efficiency and system that has completely justified the confidence manifested in her election.

Miss Ross was born at Bucyrus, August 2, 1880, daughter of Philipp and Theresa (Vollrath) Ross. Her mother was born at Bucyrus, March 17, 1857, and is still living. Her father was born in Germany, July 3, 1843, but came to the United States when a boy of ten years, and grew up in Lykens Township of Crawford County. He married at Bucyrus, and learned the trade of carpenter at Sandusky. In 1868 he located at Bucyrus, and for many years was successfully identified with the work of his trade as carpenter and building contractor. He and his brother, George Ross, were partners in the contracting business for a long period of years, and erected many of the substantial residences and other structures in and around Bucyrus. He died January 24, 1905. He was an active member of the German Lutheran Church, was a Knight of Pythias and a democrat. There were three children: Otto, who died in April 1922; Miss Ora I.; and Harry, a machinist.

Ora Irene Ross was reared at Bucyrus, graduated from high school in 1900, and then entered upon a business career and was saleslady with the Baumoel Dry Goods Store at Bucyrus for seventeen years. In 1917 she became a clerk in the county treasurer's office, and became thoroughly skilled in all the details of that office prior to announcing her candidacy for election as county treasurer. In the democratic primaries she won by a majority of two and one-half to one, and at the general election she defeated her republican opponent by a plurality of 5700 votes. Miss Ross takes an active part in church affairs as a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and is a member of the Crocus Junior Club.

WILLIAM CAMERON BEER has been a member of the Bucyrus bar since 1903. He was a young man of considerable experience in business lines and as a newspaper man, and had done his duty as a soldier prior to qualifying for the law. His reputation as an attorney is one of the best in that section of the state.

Mr. Beer was born at Bucyrus, June 16, 1874, the second son of Capt. William Nevin and Mary Denman (Swingly) Beer. He has had many notable ancestors in his lineage. William Beer, one of his paternal ancestors, left his home in County Derry, Ireland, in 1764, and located in Pennsylvania, and his son Thomas, who accompanied him, served as a soldier in the War of the Revolution. Members of the family have participated in the early Indian wars, the War of 1812, and the Civil war. The paternal grandparents of the Bucyrus attorney were Rev. Thomas and Margaret (Cameron) Beer, the former of Scotch-Irish and the latter of Scotch ancestry. Mary Denman Swingly, mother of William C. Beer, was the daughter of Dr. Frederick and Mary Denman Swingly. The Denmans were pioneers of New England, and records in the Connecticut State Library show they were in the colony as early as 1650. Dr. Frederick Swingly, his maternal grandfather, was a soldier in the Civil war. He was a surgeon with the rank of captain.

William Cameron Beer attended the public schools of Bucyrus, and in 1896 graduated from Nelson's Business College at Springfield, Ohio. Following that he was in the newspaper profession until the outbreak of the Spanish-American war in 1898. He and his brother Frederick enlisted and became members of Company A of the Eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. They saw active duty at Santiago, Cuba, in July, 1898. After leaving the army William C. Beer went to Belle Plain, Iowa, and was in the service of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company as a stenographer there. On June 30, 1900, he married Miss Jessie Blanche Hutchinson, of Lake City, Iowa. Mr. Beer enrolled as a law student in the University of Michigan in 1901, and was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1903. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in December of that year, and in the following April became associated in practice with the late Judge Thomas Beer. Judge Beer died in 1910. Mr. Beer then formed a partnership with Judge J. W. Wright, the present Common Pleas judge, and the firm of Beer & Wright continued until January, 1912. Mr. Beer in November, 1905, was elected solicitor of Bucyrus, holding that office two years. Since 1912 he has been referree in bankruptcy for the Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division.

He is a leader of the republican party in his section of the state, and for eight years was chairman of the Republican Executive Committee of Crawford County, and a member of the State Central Committee and the Congressional Committee from 1914 to 1918. He has many interesting social affiliations, being a member of the Columbus Club, the Marion Country Club, the Crawford County, Ohio and American Bar associations, and is affiliated with the Sons of the American Revolution, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, and Camp Thoman No. 33 of the Spanish-American War Veterans. He is affiliated with Bucyrus Lodge No. 156, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

XENOPHON F. CHARLES. The modern pharmacist is a man of many callings, for he is expected to bear upon his shoulders the responsibilities of many.

Not only must he understand his own science thoroughly but must be able to detect and rectify the occasional blunders of the medical fraternity, to give kindly advice to those soliciting same, and at all times to place his store and time at the disposal of the general public. No other line of human endeavor demands greater hours of prolonged service, nor does any other ask more expenditure of nervous and physical strength. Among those who have proven themselves worthy of the confidence reposed in them and able to handle cheerfully and capably the demands made upon them is Xenophon F. Charles, a leading pharmacist at Republic, Seneca County, where he has been known for many years.

Mr. Charles was born in Seneca County, Ohio, June 12, 1854, a son of Jasper E. and Susanna (Grossman) Charles. Jasper E. Charles was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, March 8, 1825, and in his native state married Miss Grossman, who had been born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania, December 26, 1829. They came to Seneca County, Ohio, April 1, 1854, locating at Republic, where Mr. Charles engaged in his trade as a shoemaker. This he followed until the constant confinement caused his health to break, and from that time forward until his death, in 1907, he was variously occupied at such honorable employment as came his way. He was a democrat in politics and at various times held town offices. Mrs. Charles, who was a member of the Lutheran Church, died in that faith in 1891. They were the parents of six children, of whom three are now living: Xenophon F.; Emma V., the wife of John VanDrew, of LaGrange County, Indiana; and John J., also residing in that county.

Xenophon F. Charles was reared at Republic, where he secured his education, and began his career as a school teacher, in LaGrange County, Indiana. The life of an educator, however, did not appeal to him, and October 1, 1874, he formed a connection with the firm of Stickney & Dentler, of Republic, as clerk in their drug store. For more than a quarter of a century he labored faithfully in behalf of the interests of his employers, and when they were ready to retire from business, in December, 1899, he became proprietor of the store by purchase. He has built up a splendid trade and now conducts an establishment that is modern in every particular, carrying a full line of drugs and sundries, candies, toilet articles, etc. He is known as one of the stable and substantial business men of his community, having earned his right to such a title through many years of honorable dealing. Mr. Charles owns the block in which his business is situated, and is one of the directors of the Republic Banking Company. In politics a democrat, he has served in a number of offices, including treasurer of Scipio Township and member and treasurer of the school board. He served several terms as justice of the peace of Scipio Township and a number of terms at different times as mayor of Republic. At the time of each of his elections the village was considerably in debt, but by careful management he placed the village in good condition financially. He served as postmaster under President Wilson, resigning after serving about five years. Fraternally he is affiliated with Republic Lodge No. 40, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of which he is past noble grand district deputy.

On December 25, 1877, Mr. Charles was united in marriage with Miss Flora A. Porter, a former student and graduate of Professor Richards and until her marriage a teacher in schools at different points. She is a member and active worker of the Christian Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Charles there have been born three children: Myra G., born July 5, 1879, who attended the Tri-State School at Angola, Indiana, and is now the wife of Charles R. Hassenphug; Mabel T., born November 30, 1883, who attended the same normal school, is unmarried, and a bookkeeper at Grand Rapids, Michigan; and Thurman P., born November 1, 1888, a graduate of the same normal school, who also attended Columbia College, New York, and is now superintendent of schools at Orland, Indiana.

Mart L. Helfrich, M. D. Few physicians and surgeons of Crawford County stand as high in public confidence and esteem as does Dr. Mart L. Helfrich, of Galion, and he has earned his present position through his skill and service. He was born at Galion, April 25, 1889, a son of Peter and Susan (Smith) Helfrich. Peter Helfrich was born in Jefferson Township, Crawford County, in 1848, and his wife was born in Pennsylvania, but was brought to Crawford County, Ohio, when young. Growing up in his native county, Peter Helfrich attended its public schools and learned the trade of a plasterer, but later became an engineer on the Erie Railroad. Both he and his wife early united with the Lutheran Church. He belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. His political convictions made him a democrat. Eight children were born to him and his wife, of whom four now survive, namely: Cora, who is the widow of August Gerhart; Charles, who is a resident of Sisterville, West Virginia; Arthur, who is a resident of Lima, Ohio; and Doctor Helfrich.

Reared by careful parents, Doctor Helfrich attended the public schools of Galion through the high school course, and then studied pharmacy. He subsequently took the regular medical course, and was graduated from the medical department of Ohio State University in 1916. With the entry of this country into the World war Doctor Helfrich offered the government his services and was commissioned a first lieutenant. Subsequently he was promoted to the rank of captain, and saw service in France. After over two years in the service of his country he was returned to the United States and honorably discharged. Returning to Galion, he established himself in his present practice, and has built up a large and valuable connection. Doctor Helfrich belongs to the Crawford County Medical Society, of which he was president, to the Ohio State Medical Society, and is a fellow of the American Medical Association. In addition to his private practice he is surgeon for the Big Four Railroad, and he is a stockholder in the Citizens Bank of Galion, and in the Galion Iron Works. Doctor Helfrich has taken up post-graduate work in several subjects in which he is particularly interested.

Doctor Helfrich married Jessie T. MacLennan of Morrison, Illinois, and they have one child, Mart L., Jr. Doctor and Mrs. Helfrich belong to the English Lutheran Church. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Shriner and also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Kiwanis Club. Politically he is a democrat, but he is not an aspirant for public honors.

Isaac C. Guinther. After many years of usefulness as one of the educators of Crawford County Isaac C. Guinther is now finding congenial work as business manager of the Inquirer Printing Company of Galion, and under his management this company is fast becoming one of the leading concerns of its kind in the county. He was born in Whetstone Township, Crawford County, December 25, 1856, a son of Jacob and Catherine (Shallenmiller) Guinther, natives of Wurttemberg, Germany, and Pennsylvania, respectively. When he was fourteen years old Jacob Guinther came to the United States and located in

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Pennsylvania, where he was bound out to learn the baker's trade to a baker of Philadelphia for a period of seven years. When he completed his apprenticeship he received fifty dollars and joined his relatives in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. After a short stay with them he went to Bucyrus, Ohio, and was an assistant in the hotel there conducted by William Miller. Later he bought a farm in Marion County, Ohio, to which he moved after his marriage, and there he continued to reside for seven years. He bought another farm adjoining his first one, but across the county line in Crawford, and, moving on it, made it his home the remainder of his life. He was a devout member of the German Reformed Church, and held staunchly to the principles of the democratic party.

One of the seven children born to his parents, Isaac, C. Guinther grew up on the farm, and first attended the country schools and later the Northwestern Ohio Normal University at Ada, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science, and later took his degree of Master of Arts from the same institution. He taught school at Nevada, Galena, Utica and Galion, Ohio, coming to the latter city in 1892 to become principal of its high school. After four years in this office he served as superintendent of schools from 1896 to 1916, when he retired from the educational field, and after a period of rest, in April, 1917, entered upon his managerial duties in connection with the Inquirer Printing Company. This company is incorporated, and its officials are: W. V. Gosham, president; G. W. Ness, vice president; and Isaac, C. Guinther, secretary, treasurer and manager.

On May 21, 1885, Mr. Guinther married Mary Rexroth, who was born on a farm in Whetstone Township, Crawford County, Ohio, July 14, 1860, a daughter of John and Anna May (Reinherr) Rexroth, natives of Germany, who came to the United States after their marriage and located in Crawford County, where he was engaged in farming and blacksmithing. For many years Mr. and Mrs. Rexroth were numbered among the prominent people of the county, and they died at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Guinther, at Galion. Mrs. Guinther has served as president of the Crawford County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and she is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. and Mrs. Guinther became the parents of the following children: Paul E., who was graduated from the Galion High School, attended college, and was looking forward to a prosperous career in railroad management when he died in September, 1915; Fred E., who was graduated in electrical engineering, was with the General Electric Company of Toledo, Ohio, and later was with the same company in New Jersey and New York, but enlisted at the outbreak of the World war, was commissioned a second lieutenant, and ranked sixteen in a class of 700 in training at Fortress Monroe. He is now engaged in the work of his profession; Robert I., attended the Galion High School, Wooster University, and Chicago University, taking his degree from the law department of the latter. He is now a member of the law firm of Slabaugh, Seiberling, Young, Huber & Guinther, of Akron, Ohio. He has served as president of the bar association of Summit County, Ohio, and during the World war he served with the rank of a second lieutenant; Lawrence O., who was graduated from the Galion High School and Wooster University, became a traveling salesman for the Goodyear Rubber Company. He served in the World war as a second lieutenant, and is now with the Buick Auto Company in Akron, Ohio; Mildred, who was attending Wooster University when the World war opened entered the department for the training of nurse, was graduated in the Walter Reed Army Training School for Nurses at Washington, D. C. She is now serving as a private nurse in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Guinther and his children, like Mrs. Guinther, belong to the Presbyterian Church. He is a democrat in his political faith.

J. Lewis Homer. The profession of law has for centuries attracted to it some of the most brilliant minds of the ages, and from its ranks have been recruited the men who have shaped the destinies of nations. The long and thorough training necessary before the candidate can be admitted to practice brings about a development of all the faculties and prepares the way for future usefulness along varied lines. One of the young men of Galion who is rendering an excellent account of himself both as an attorney and good citizen is J. Lewis Homer, a veteran of the World war. Although he is one of the more recent recruits to his profession, he is displaying a resourcefulness and knowledge which will enable him to outdistance many of his associates in his work at the bar.

J. Lewis Homer was born at Galion, October 25, 1895, a son of Charles O. and Minnie (Lewis) Homer, both natives of Galion, where he was born in 1859. They were educated in the public schools of Galion. The paternal grandfather, James R. Homer, was born at Monson, Maine, in 1833, and was given an academic education and taught the trade of a moulder. Coming to Galion, he became a member of the firm of Squires & Homer, proprietors of a foundry. When war was declared between the two sections of the country he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and First Ohio Volunteer Infantry, as a private, and served until the close of the war, rising during that period to be captain of his company. After the close of the war he returned to Galion and continued in the foundry business until about 1910, when he retired, and he died in 1911. Charles O. Homer was his father's bookkeeper for many years. He was a Mason, and served as master of the lodge, and high priest of the Chapter, which offices James R. Homer also held, and the latter was also advanced to the thirty-second degree in his fraternity. Charles O. Homer had two children, a son and daughter, the latter, Lucile, being now a teacher in the grade schools of Galion. She was graduated from the Galion High School, and then studied at Ohio Wesleyan University and Western Reserve University.

J. Lewis Homer was graduated from the Galion High School, following which he took a course in law at the University of Cincinnati, but his plans were interrupted, as had been those of his grandfather, by the declaration of war, and in June, 1917, he enlisted, was sent overseas, and saw service in France for ten months in connection with Base Hospital No. 25. Returned to the United States and honorably discharged, he came back to Galion, and continued his legal studies until December, 1919, and January 1, 1920, was admitted to the bar of his native state. Mr. Homer is vice president of the Peoples Pure Ice Company, and secretary of the Perfection Steel Vault Company.

Mr. Homer married Mary Louise Kinney, who is a graduate of the Cincinnati, Ohio, College of Music, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. High in Masonry, Mr. Homer belongs to Galion Lodge No. 414, Free and Accepted Masons, to Galion Chapter, and he has been advanced through the thirty-second degree and the Mystic Shrine in his fraternity. He is also a member of Galion Lodge No. 1191, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Carper S. Stevenson, manager of the Jackson Mill & Lumber Company, has been identified with the lumber industry during his active life. He repre-

sents one of the old and prominent families of Southern Ohio.

Mr. Stevenson was born at Jackson, February 28, 1871, son of John C. and Martha (Callahan) Stevenson. The Stevensons are of Irish and Scotch ancestry, and are of Revolutionary stock. One branch of the family produced Adlai Stevenson, once vice president of the United States. The grandfather of Carper S. Stevenson was John Stevenson, a pioneer settler of Jackson County, locating there about 1830. He was a hatter by trade, but followed farming in Jackson County, and for many years held the office of judge of the Probate Court. John Stevenson married Elizabeth Spencer.

John C. Stevenson, who died in 1902, became a lawyer, and a man of prominence in his profession and in public affairs at Jackson. He was school teacher, county recorder, prosecuting attorney, and always faithful to every interest committed to his charge. He also served with the One Hundred Ninety-Eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war, and was always a staunch democrat. His wife, Martha Callahan, who died in 1919, was a daughter of William and Martha (Hannah) Callahan. The Callahans and Hannahs are of Irish but of old American and Revolutionary stock. The Callahans came to Ohio from Virginia. One ancestor, John Hannah, heard the Indian chief Logan make his speech at the famous Logan Elm. In Lord Dunmore's war against the Northwest Indians John Hannah was a soldier in the division of General Lewis and was in the battle of Point Pleasant, where the Indians, led by Chief Cornstalk, were defeated in 1774. He then marched on with Lewis' army through the Wilderness to the Pickaway Plains, and was present at the historical Logan's Elm when Lord Dunmore made his treaty with the Indians. It was here and at this time that Chief Logan is said to have also made his famous speech. John Hannah afterwards served in the War of the Revolution. He was at Valley Forge and was in the battle of Monmouth under General Washington. John C. Stevenson and wife had five children: Mrs. Elizabeth Stevenson Bond has three children, Juanita, Grace and Martha; Henry, unmarried; Thomas, who married Nellie Morton, and their children are Virginia, Nellie, Elizabeth, Margaret, Robert, Alice, Grace and Thomas; Carper S., and Guy, who has a daughter, Ruth, by his first wife, Ora Detta, and by his marriage to Ollie Barrett had two children, Martha and John (deceased).

Carper S. Stevenson finished his education in the public schools of Jackson at the age of seventeen, and then went to work in the coal mines, following that for eight years. Since then he has been identified with the lumber industry and business, taking an interest in the Jackson Mill and Lumber Company, a corporation of which he is now secretary, treasurer and manager. The company does a general manufacturing and also a retail lumber business, and does considerable contracting. Mr. Stevenson is also interested in the real estate business. During the World war he was on the local committees for handling war drives, and was particularly interested in the housing committee.

In January, 1911, he married Miss Myrta Greene, daughter of George H. and Margaret (Irwin) Greene. Her father, who died in 1921, was a merchant and farmer, and a man quite active in public affairs in Jackson County. He was a direct descendant of Gen. Nathaniel Greene. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mrs. Stevenson has one brother, T. E. Greene, who married Lottie Ross, their five children being George, Ivan, Herbert, Russell and Margaret. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson is John C. Stevenson.

FRANK J. SNYDER. For many years Frank J. Snyder was connected with the grocery trade of Galion, but is now retired, feeling that he has earned a partial freedom from business cares by his years of steadfast industry, although he still has valuable interests in the city. He was born in Morrow County, Ohio, June 26, 1861, a son of George and Harriet (Mitchell) Snyder. George Snyder was born at Washington County, Pennsylvania, but was brought in childhood to Mansfield, Ohio, by his parents, and lived there until he was sixteen years old. At that time removal was made to Morrow County, and he made that section his home for many years. His educational training was received at the country schools, and he grew up a farmer. After his marriage, about 1860, he took charge of his father's farm, and lived on it until September, 1865, when he moved to Galion and established the grocery house with which he, and later his son, was connected for nearly sixty years. During the war of the '60s he served for three months.

Frank J. Snyder was reared at Galion, and was graduated from its high school in 1878. He entered his father's grocery business, which he subsequently purchased, and he continued to operate it until January 1, 1893, when he sold it. During his long connection with this reliable store he made many acquaintances, and fully sustained its high reputation for reliability and honorable methods. He is still vice president of the Galion Building & Loan Association, and was one of its organizers, and he owns stock in several local enterprises.

In 1879 Mr. Snyder was married to Nina Wineland, who was a school-teacher prior to her marriage. They became the parents of two daughters: Norma, who is a graduate of the high school at Galion, is the wife of John A. Jenkins; and Maude, who is also a high-school graduate, is the wife of Henry Junghans and lives at Norwood, Ohio. Mrs. Snyder who died July 13, 1923, belonged to the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Snyder is a very liberal subscriber thereto, although he is not on its membership rolls. He belongs to Galion Lodge No. 414, Free and Accepted Masons, Galion Chapter No. 142, Royal Arch Masons, and Camp No. 15, Sons of Veterans. A republican, he has always been very active in party affairs, and is now a member of the county board of election. Quietly performing the everyday duties of life, Mr. Snyder has set an example of honorable living and good citizenship which has had its influence on his times, and which stands to his credit in the minds of his fellow townsmen.

HARLAN JONES. Some of the professions are of recent origin and development, having come into being to meet the requirements of new conditions and inventions, but that of the architect dates back into the dim shadows of the beginnings of civilization, the stately piles still standing, as well as the countless ruins being constantly excavated, proving that the skill and genius of the architect were called upon to an extent that parallels any demands of the present day. Ohio has produced during its history some of the great architects of this country, as well as many of less renown, who in faithfully carrying out their ideas have contributed their share in the development of their home communities and the advancement of their art. Two men of this calling who have given to the people of two generations first-class service have been the late Jeremiah Jones and his son Harlan Jones, the latter now of Galion, where he established himself in 1912, although he had been engaged in professional work at other Ohio points prior to that year.

Harlan Jones was born at Lucas, Ohio, July 20, 1859, a son of Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Barr) Jones.

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Jeremiah Jones was born near Mifflin, Ohio, March 11, 1830, a son of Barnabas Jones, a native of Wales, who came with his parents to the United States and first located in Pennsylvania, and later in Ashland County, Ohio, where he was reared and married. He learned the trade of a millwright, and later in life owned and operated a grist-mill at Charles Mill, Ohio, and in this capacity was well-known to the older settlers of that region, who brought their grain to him to be ground. When he was about forty years of age he left the milling business, and, going to Peru, Indiana, engaged in farming in the vicinity of Somerset, in Wabash County, and continued in this calling until his death in 1863. His children were as follows: Emanuel, Jeremiah, Joseph, Madison, Oliver, Maria, Mary, Lucinda and Elizabeth, of whom the survivors are Madison and Oliver. Madison Jones is a Union veteran.

Jeremiah Jones was born and reared in Ohio, and attended its public schools. In the course of time he became an architect, and was in possession of a large patronage when he was killed in 1890. During his professional career he designed and built a number of important buildings, especially at Lucas and in its vicinity, and was recognized as one of the leading men of Richland County, and where his marriage occurred. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and belonged to the Masonic fraternity. In politics he was a democrat, but he was not an office seeker. Six children were born to him and his wife, five of whom are now living: Melvina, who is the wife of L. L. Pany, of Mansfield, Ohio; Harlan, whose name heads this review; Mary L., who is the wife of M. L. Swagart, of Lucas, Ohio; and William M., a builder, who is a resident of Mansfield, Ohio.

Harlan Jones lived at Lucas until he was sixteen years old, and during that period attended its public schools. He studied architecture under private tutors, and opened his office at Mansfield in 1894, since which time he has been actively engaged in this calling. While in Mansfield he also maintained an office at Bucyrus, Ohio. In 1912 he left Mansfield for Galion, and since coming to this city he has taken an active and successful part in the building industry, and is accepted as one of the experienced and skilled architects. His designs are of unusual artistic as well as architectural beauty and practical value.

In 1887. Mr. Jones was married to Ida Switzer, of Lucas, Ohio, a native of Richland County, educated in the Lucas public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have no children. Mrs. Jones is a member of the Methodist Church. Like his father, he is a democrat, in his political faith.

JOHN F. BAUER. All over the country there is a class of men who are rendering the government and the people a service which is not being recompensed as it should be, but those holding the office of postmaster are willing to devote a portion of their time to public affairs as a patriotic duty, for they realize the great importance of maintaining an effective and rapid handling of the mails. One of these earnest and capable men who was in the government service is John F. Bauer, former postmaster of Crestline, and one of the leading men of Crawford County, whose interests here are many and valuable.

John F. Bauer was born in Vernon Township, Crawford County, Ohio, July 19, 1864, a son of J. J. and Julia Ann Bauer, the former of whom was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, November 18, 1828. When a lad of eight years his parents, in 1836, came to the United States and located five miles northwest of Crestline, where they bought a farm, and that property is still in the Bauer family. Here J. J. Bauer was reared, and here he continued to live until he was twenty, but at that age he went to Sandusky, Ohio. His education was neglected and he was almost entirely self-educated. After his arrival at Sandusky he learned the carpenter trade, and for some years was engaged in following it. Subsequently, however, he went first into a restaurant business, and later conducted a grocery, becoming one of the solid business men of Sandusky. He married Julia Farence, and they had four children, three of whom are living, and she died at the birth of the fourth. Subsequently he married Julia Ann Unckrich, and they had nine children, six of whom are now living: Alice, Theodore, William, Frederick, Amelia and John F. In 1862 J. J. Bauer came to Vernon Township, and spent two years, and then bought, March 23, 1864, the Bauer homestead of 380 acres, and continued to live on this farm until his death in 1911. His wife died in 1907, and both were most highly esteemed people, who had friends all over the county.

John F. Bauer was reared on the Bauer homestead, which he and his two brothers and one sister now own, and he attended the country schools. At the age of seventeen he came to Crestline and learned the carpenter trade, and worked at it until 1903, when he went into the grocery business. This he later sold and returned to his carpenter work, but in 1911 branched out into stone contracting and superintended building construction at Crestline, operating a stone yard in this connection. On March 3, 1915, he was appointed postmaster of Crestline, was re-appointed August 5, 1919, and served until November 17, 1923. He is a stockholder of the First National Bank of Crestline, of the Brick and Tile Works, and of the American Clay Company at Bucyrus, Ohio, and he is a director and stockholder of the Crestline Building & Loan Association, and a director of the City Hospital Association. His share of the old homestead amounts to forty acres of very valuable land.

On February 18, 1886, Mr. Bauer was married to Mary Louise Schweaur, of Crestline, who was born in Vernon Township, Crawford County, January 11, 1864. Their one child died at the age of eleven months. Mr. and Mrs. Bauer belong to the Calvary Reformed Church of Crestline, of which he was a deacon, is now elder, and he is also very active in the Sunday school. In his political faith Mr. Bauer is a democrat, and for ten years was county committeeman, and was treasurer of the county central committee for eight years, for seven years he was treasurer of Jackson Township, and was twice appointed by Governor Harmon as a member of the board of county institutions, and was appointed to the same office by Judge Sheets. In every office he has held Mr. Bauer has done his full duty, and his work in the postoffice will stand as a monument to his fidelity and efficiency. Few men stand any higher in public confidence at the present in Crawford County than he does, and his success in life is all the more commendable in that it has been earned entirely through his own efforts. It is such men as he who uphold the reputation of the country, and safeguard the institutions founded by those who have gone before.

BURTON C. POSTON. In his business career at Chillicothe Burton C. Poston has exemplified strongly many of the characteristics that have been distinctive of this interesting and numerous family in Southern Ohio. Poston is one of the best known family names in Athens and surrounding counties, and nearly all of them left enviable records in their respective vocations, particularly as merchants and farmers.

The grandfather of the Chillicothe merchant was L. D. Poston, who was born in Hampshire County, Virginia, now West Virginia, in 1812, and moved to Athens County, Ohio, in 1830. He was a cattle

buyer, and about 1835 established himself in business as a merchant at Nelsonville and after 1852 became extensively interested in the buying and selling and operation of coal lands. He died in 1875. He was three times married, but had no children by his first wife. His second wife was Lucinda Parkinson, and the record of their five children, with descendants, is as follows: William Wesley, who married Maggie Nelson, and had two children, Harry and L. May Poston; L. Dow Poston, Jr., who married Sarah Harold, and had two children, Fred and Lulu Poston; H. Irvin Poston, who married and had one child, Grace, who became the wife of Tom Biddle, and by that marriage had a son, Clinton Biddle; Clinton L. Poston married and had one son, L. Dow Poston, who by his first wife had a daughter Mary, and by his second wife a daughter Florence; Lucinda, the youngest child of L. D. Poston by his second wife married and had one son, Edward Pendleton. The second wife of L. D. Poston was Hannah C. Scott, who was born in England. Her three children were W. S. Poston, father of the Chillicothe business man; Irvin G. Poston, who married Josephine S. Musser, and had four children, named Edwin I., Blanch, Bessie and Emmit; and Clarence E. Poston, who married Ella Dill, and their four children were Frieda, Florence, Floyd and Irvin.

Winfield Scott Poston was born at Nelsonville, October 30, 1852, had a good education, clerked in his father's store for some time, and in 1878 settled on a farm in Hocking County. He was a farmer and stock raiser, organized and became president of a bank at Logan, and with other associates built the Hocking County Home Telephone and was interested in all the big enterprises of the county, being in many ways a prominent citizen of Hocking County. He died April 12, 1922. In 1877 he married Flora Wilson, daughter of Joseph Wilson, of old New England stock. She died in 1909. They had two sons: Burton C. and Emmerson. Emmerson married Effie Wolf and had three children, named Alice, Genevieve and Burton Ralph.

Burton C. Poston was born at Logan, Ohio, January 13, 1881, and was reared and educated there, graduating from high school in 1899. He spent one year in Ohio State University at Columbus, and continued his higher education in the University of Michigan until 1903. Leaving there before graduating he came to Chillicothe, and on June 10, 1903, married Miss Lucinda Buser, daughter of W. E. and Mattie H. (Chew) Buser. Her parents live in Chillicothe, and her father for many years has been in the furniture business and is especially well known as the manufacturer of the Champion bed. Mrs. Poston was the only child of her parents.

After his marriage Mr. Poston entered the service of W. E. Buser in the furniture business, and was traveling salesman for the bed manufacturing establishment until 1913. In that year he engaged in business for himself, manufacturing upholstered furniture. His business is known as the Poston Manufacturing Company, and it is now one of the most prosperous concerns in Chillicothe. Its success had been due to his untiring personal efforts and the broad gauge progressive principles on which he has done business and governed all his other relations with the community.

Mr. Poston during the World war, being in the fourth class, was not called to duty as a soldier, but acted energetically and liberally in all local war measures, serving on committees, particularly the fuel committee. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, is affiliated with the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club and is a member of the Country Club and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He and Mrs. Poston have one daughter, Helen Lucile.

G. W. DeYarmon. In naming the enterprises which have contributed in various ways to the development of Mansfield and the surrounding community, due credit should not be withheld from the Merchants and Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company. A community which is well and thoroughly insured not only has confidence in itself, but inspires it in others, with the natural result of attracted business and larger community revenues. The company referred to has been in existence since 1876, and since 1906 its secretary and treasurer has been G. W. DeYarmon.

Mr. DeYarmon was born in Jefferson County, Ohio, April 24, 1862, a son of Thomas DeYarmon, an agriculturist, and a grandson of David DeYarmon, who came to the United States from France about the year 1832, and settled in Jefferson County. G. W. DeYarmon grew up on his father's farm and received a rural school education, and for a number of years was successfully engaged in the mercantile business, which he sold to become associated in 1902, with the Merchants and Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company, in the capacity of general agent. This company had been founded in 1876, operating in the State of Ohio, and conducting business on the premium note plan. H. C. Hedges, the law partner of John Sherman, was the first president of the company, and M. E. Douglas was secretary. In 1906 Mr. Douglas was succeeded by Mr. DeYarmon as secretary and treasurer. At that time the company had about $2,000,000 in force, with a cash surplus of $10,000. In the same year the plan was changed to the contingent liability method, one annual premium advance, and paying 25 per cent dividends. The company now has $25,000,000 in force, with a cash surplus of $160,000. The losses paid since the organization of the company (including dividends) amount to $1,185,000. The company is now admitted to twelve states, with business in every state. The company has 125 agents in the State of Ohio alone, and numerous representatives in the other commonwealths to which it is admitted. It owns its own handsome building at Mansfield, and is accounted one of the leading adjuncts of the city's busy life. In 1903 Mr. Hedges was succeeded in the presidency by S. N. Ford, who still remains in that capacity.

Mr. DeYarmon has various connections of a social, business and civic nature, and is a man of public spirit and constructive views. He married Miss Catherine T. Ingler, of Belmont County, Ohio, and they have three sons and one daughter: Harry, George Lester and Frank C., all residing in Richland County; and Mary A., the wife of C. Dale Horner, of Mansfield.

Elijah H. Jackson has the distinction of being a member of the official executive family of his native county, and is giving most efficient service as county recorder of Pike County, with residence at Waverly, the county seat. He was born in Elliott County, Kentucky, on the 16th day of April, 1890, and is a son of Jason T. and Amanda (Johnson) Jackson, both likewise natives of Kentucky, the father having long been numbered among the successful exponents of farm industry, both in Kentucky and in Pike County, where he and his wife still maintain their home and where he is now engaged in business as a contractor and builder, a line of enterprise with which he has been thus identified somewhat more than three years. He is a democrat in politics, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Baptist Church. Of the four children the subject of this sketch is the eldest.

Pike County's recorder gained his early education in the district schools of Kentucky annd was twenty-five years old at the time of the family removal to Ohio. He took also a normal course in

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the Kentucky State Normal School at Richmond, and for twelve years he gave his attention to successful work as a teacher in the district schools in Kentucky and Ohio. In the meanwhile he maintained during the summer months the active management of the farm which he now owns in Pike County, his general supervision of this farm being still continued. He has secure place in popular confidence and good will in his home county, and this was significantly shown in the autumn of 1922, when he was elected to his present office, that of county recorder. In the period of American participation in the World war Mr. Jackson was still engaged in teaching school, and as under the draft registration he was assigned to the fourth class, he was not called into military service, though he held himself in loyal readiness to go forth in defense of a righteous cause. He and his wife are active members of the Baptist Church, and he is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias and the Grange.

At Catlettsburg, Kentucky, in November, 1917, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Jackson and Miss Grace Robinson, daughter of William E. and Lucy (Morris) Robinson, who still reside in Kentucky, where Mr. Robinson holds the office of superintendent of schools, he having been a successful and popular school teacher for the long period of forty-four years. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson became the parents of a fine family of eleven children, namely: James, Burrell, William, Grace, George, America, Eliza, Hattie, Clara, Susie and Green. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson have three children: Jesse Green, Opal and William T.

The Jackson family was early founded in North Carolina, from which commonwealth representatives made their way to Kentucky, and became pioneers in the fine old Bluegrass State, from which came the Ohio branch, the greater number of the members of the family being now residents of Kentucky. The paternal grandparents of the subject of this review were Thomas and Sarah Jackson, and his maternal grandparents were Jesse and Nancy Johnson. Mr. Jackson has one brother, Jesse F., who married Georgia Ison, and two sisters, Mary L., who is teaching school at Greenville, South Carolina, and Minnie E., who resides at the home of her parents at Portsmouth, Ohio.

Benjamin Moses Segal, one of the active young business men in Chillicothe, Ross County, is a veteran of the World war, having been overseas with the Thirty-seventh Division.

He was born at Coal Grove in Lawrence County, Ohio, July 20, 1894, son of Max and Rebecca (Bloom) Segal. His father was born at St. Petersburg, now Petrograd, Russia, while his mother was a native of the Russian City of Riga. They were married in the old country, came to the United States in 1883, and settled at Coal Grove, in the Hanging Rock Iron region of Southern Ohio. From there they removed to Chillicothe, where Max Segal is head of an extensive business, associated with his sons in handling waste metals, paper, rubber, auto parts and other materials. There are eight children in the family: Samuel L., who married Anna Frad and has one daughter, Louise; Rose M., wife of David H. Cohen, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Abraham L., who was a soldier in the Forty-second or Rainbow Division, and shared in the wonderful record of that division overseas; Benjamin Moses; Henry C.; Albert E.; Minnie, and Fannie L.

Benjamin Moses Segal received his public school education at Chillicothe. After leaving the common schools he completed the full commercial course in the Chillicothe Business College, leaving school in 1912. For three years following that he was with the traffic department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway at Chillicothe, and was then with the traffic department of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce.

On May 2, 1917, he enlisted, going to Camp Sheridan in Alabama, where he was detailed for duty with the One Hundred Thirty-fifth Field Artillery in the Thirty-seventh Division. He remained in training there until sent overseas, landing at LaHavre in July, 1917, and was in a training camp near Bordeaux, France, until September, 1918. His command was then put in the Meuse-Argonne sector, later in the Verdun sector, and participated in an offensive there in the closing weeks of the great war. His command was still in the vicinity of Verdun when the armistice was signed, and after that his division was in various places in France, and kept up training. Finally it was located at LaMans until March, 1919, when the command sailed for home, landing at Newport News, and in April, 1919, was sent to Camp Sherman, Ohio. Mr. Segal received his honorable discharge April 14, 1919.

Since the war he has been interested in his father's business, and is now its responsible manager. He is unmarried, is a member of the Jewish Temple at Columbus, the American Legion Post, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club.

Lieut.-Col. Theodore S. Pattison, who served with the engineers in France and in charge of the construction of many miles of railway over which the allied troops and equipments were transported to the battle front, was engaged in the work of his profession as a railroad and construction engineer both before and after the war, and eventually his duties brought him to Chillicothe, where he is now in the real estate and contracting business.

Lieut.-Col. Pattison was born at Trappe, Maryland, July 18, 1888, son of Theodore S. and Amelia (Hardcastle) Pattison. The Pattison family came from Dorsetshire, England, early in the seventeenth century and settled on Taylor Island, Maryland. Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison's grandparents were Augustus and Aurelia (Geohegan) Pattison, Augustus Pattison being a shipbuilder and owner of a ship yard in Maryland. The maternal grandparents were Aaron and Alice Whitfield (Hatch) Hardcastle, the former serving as a colonel in the Confederate army under the command of Gen. Sidney Johnston. The Hardcastles were also of English ancestry, and early settlers in Caroline County, Maryland. The father of Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison was educated for the ministry, but owing to ill health gave up the idea of a professional career. During the Civil war he was for one year chaplain of his regiment in the Confederate army. After the war he taught school, but for the most part devoted his time to the management of his various property interests. He died in Maryland in 1908 and his widow passed away in the City of Philadelphia in 1921. Their first daughter, Alice, married Edward Trippe, lives at Easton, Maryland, and has four children, named Edward, Augustus, Amelia and Mary. The second daughter, Ruth Story, became the wife of Otis J. Story, of Chillicothe, Ohio, and has two children, Clark Winslow and Amy Hardcastle.

Theodore S. Pattison was reared and educated in Maryland, attending high school at Cambridge, and spent one year in Charlotte Hall in St. Marys County, another year in Washington College at Chestertown, and after leaving school he had varied experiences, being for three years a newspaper reporter. Having determined to take up engineering, he prepared for his profession in the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington, Virginia, one of the oldest and best equipped military schools in the country. He graduated with the degree Civil Engineer in 1910, and

also had military training there. As a civil engineer he did his first work with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway in the engineering and maintenance of way department, starting as rod man and transit man. He had several promotions, and remained with the Baltimore & Ohio until that company cut down its working force, when he transferred his services to the Birmingham Steel Corporation in the Red Mountain district, where he was engineer on railroad location and construction work for eighteen months. He then returned to the Baltimore & Ohio, and was in the service of that railroad until 1921, except for the period of the World war, when he was given a leave of absence.

Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison for some time before America entered the war had been identified with the Army Reserve Corps. Being an engineer of experience, he was selected by Col. Edgar Jadwin of the Engineer Corps of the United States Army for duty with the first contingent of American construction engineers to go overseas. He was commissioned captain, and sailed for France July 20, 1917, landing at LaHavre on July 26.

He was sent to the mobilization camp at Vierzon, near Tours, and from there went to Jonchery, doing railroad construction, dock, barracks, hospital and warehouse building, and handling many of the engineering details of the tremendous work required in preparation for the reception of the coming American Expeditionary Forces. His commanders were Generals Bundy and Buck of the American army. He was with the Sixteenth, Eighteenth, Twenty-sixth and Twenty-eighth regular army regiments, and also some of the marines engaged in this large scale construction work on the French coast to provide material facilities for 250,000 men. By November, 1917, the work was completed so that American forces, numbering 285,000, were being handled through that army base. Subsequently Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison's work as an engineer took him all over France, wherever there were railroads, hospitals, headquarters camps, supply stations to be built or maintained. When the American Expeditionary Forces went into battle line he was with the engineers constructing railroads up to the front for the transport of competent troops, guns and supplies. He was with an engineering and construction corps that built on the average about three miles of railroad daily, and as there were several corps engaged in this work, a total of several hundred miles of railroad were constructed in which he had some part. Occasionally in making excavations for railroad building there would be discovered the foundation of some of the old highways built by the Romans nearly 2,000 years ago. Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison was on duty among other points at Verdun, St. Mihiel, Jonchery, Chaumont, Vierzon, Bordeaux, LaBassens, Alsace-Lorraine and Dijon.

On July 26, 1918, he was commissioned major in the regular army, in command of the Three Hundred Fifteenth Regiment of regulars. In October, 1918, he was ordered home to the United States. In the former months of the war he had charge of construction in completing the building of Camp Humphrey, Virginia, and also the operation of the railroad from Accotink in Fairfax County, Virginia, to Camp Humphrey. This duty held him there until March, 1919, when he was relieved and then resumed his connection with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway as assistant division engineer. He was advanced to division engineer of maintenance of way, but in the fall of 1921 resigned and took an individual contract with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway to handle 50,000 tons of coal at Chillicothe. As a matter of fact this contract involved the handling of a total of 100,000 tons.

The wife of Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison is a Chillicothe girl, and after completing the coal contract he decided to remain in this city. He organized the Scioto Realty & Development Company, a company that has developed a large acreage adjoining the city and under Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison's engineering supervision all the esssential improvements, such as sewers, street paving, sidewalks, have been made in advance of home building. For several years he has devoted much of his time to this subdivision, but he is also in the contracting business.

In April, 1914, at Chillicothe, Lieutenant-Colonel Pattison married Mary Story, daughter of Clark W. and Mary Ann (Campbell) Story. Her father was a native of Vermont and of old New England ancestry, has lived in Chillicothe since boyhood, for many years was a merchant, and for thirty-five years has been either vice president or president of the Ross County National Bank.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Pattison have two children, Theodore S., Jr., and Mary Campbell. They are members of the Episcopal Church. He belongs to the college fraternity Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the Rotary Club, the Country Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and is vice commander of Post No. 62 of the American Legion. He holds a commission of lieutenant-colonel in the Officers' Reserve Corps and is a member of the Reserve Officers' Association.

GEORGE B. NYE, M. D., who is engaged in the practice of his profession at Waverly, judicial center of Pike County, is not only one of the able and representative physicians and surgeons of this county, but is also known as one of its most liberal, loyal and progressive citizens—one whose influence has been specially marked in connection with the advancing of the civic and material interests of the community. He has represented this county in the State Legislature, and has held other positions of distinctive public trust.

Doctor Nye was born on a farm in Jackson County, Ohio, March 25, 1876, and the old homestead on which he thus made his advent in the Centennial year of our national independence, is a place situated ten miles south of Jackson, the county seat. He is a scion of a family that was early founded in Ohio, and the name of which has been identified with American annals since the Colonial era. Members of the Nye family removed from Rhode Island to Pennsylvania, and it was from the old Keystone State that the first representatives came to Ohio in 1830. Doctor Nye is of the fifth generation in line of descent from Rev. Andrew L. Nye, of Rhode Island, and of the latter's son, Michael, who likewise became a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Benjamin Nye, the family name of whose wife was Castor, was the grandfather of the doctor and was a resident of Jackson County, Ohio, at the time of his death. The maternal grandparents of Doctor Nye were Frederick and Eliza (Owen) Cool, the grandmother being a native of Ireland.

The parents of Frederick Cool were natives of Ireland, and upon coming to America first settled at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and there was solemnized his marriage to Miss Eliza Owen, who was sixteen years of age when she came from Belfast, Ireland, to this country.

Doctor Nye is a son of Michael L. and Ellen (Cool) Nye, the former of whom died in the year 1896 and the latter still maintains her home in Jackson County. As a young man Michael L. Nye was a successful teacher in the Ohio schools, but his primary vocation throughout his active life was that of farm enterprise, in connection with which he gained substantial success. He was a zealous

member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as is also his widow. Of the four children the eldest is Emma, who is the wife of Rev. W. W. Smith, pastor of a Presbyterian Church in the City of Chicago, their children being Hector, Wilbur and Herbert. Clara is the wife of Dr. E. O. Brown, of Lorain, Ohio. Naomi is the wife of C. W. Dolph, of Hot Sulphur Springs, Colorado. Doctor Nye is the only son in the family.

After profiting by the advantages of the district schools of his native county Doctor Nye advanced his academic education by a course in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. In preparation for the work of his chosen profession he entered the great Rush Medical College in the City of Chicago, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1897. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he forthwith established his home and professional headquarters at Waverly, where he has continued in successful general practice during the intervening years. The doctor insistently keeps in touch with advances made in medical and surgical science, through recourse to the best standard and periodical literature of his profession, through membership in medical societies, and also through the medium of an effective post-graduate course in the medical department of the University of Ohio, where he specialized in health extension work. He is serving at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1923, as health commissioner of Pike County, and is making this office justify its existence. The versatility and progressiveness of Doctor Nye have found varied avenues of constructive expression during the years of his residence in Pike County. In 1911 he founded the newspaper known as the Waverly Watchman, and he still retains control of this paper, which is a local power advancing the cause of the democratic party, as well as an effective exponent of community interests. Later the doctor purchased the Waverly Democrat and the Piketon Republican, which he consolidated with the Watchman. He is a stalwart in the ranks of the democratic party, and on its ticket was elected to represent Pike County in the State Legislature in 1905, successive reelections continuing him in this office three terms, during which he did much to further wise and progressive legislation and to advance the general interests of his constituent district. He has served also as a member of the board of public works of his home city. He is a member of the Pike County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He was reared in the faith of the Presbyterian Church and his wife holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

November 5, 1895, recorded the marriage of Doctor Nye and Miss Cresse Evans, of Jackson County, she being a daughter of Thomas J. and California (Johnson) Evans, the latter of whom died in the year 1910. Mr. Evans still resides at Jackson, where he was for a number of years the agent for the American Express Company. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as was also his wife. Concerning the children of Mr. and Mrs. Evans, the following brief data are available: Maude is the wife of Daniel B. Jones, of Jackson; Cresse, the wife of Doctor Nye, was the next in order of birth; Clifton married Miss Hazel Rogers, and they have one child, Thomas; Jesse still remains a bachelor; Katherine is the wife of Andrew S. Etzkorn, and they have had three children, Dorothy, Thomas and Ralph, the last named being deceased; Florence is the wife of William Peter, of Jackson, and their children are Robert and Thomas; Alfred married Miss Lee Wilbur, of Jackson, Michigan, and they have one child, Alfred C.; Ralph, who is deceased, married Miss Iva Glenn, who survives him, as does also their one child, Virginia; Mary died in childhood. Doctor and Mrs. Nye became the parents of two children, Irene and George Dewey, and the daughter died in 1909, aged fourteen years.

George Dewey Nye was graduated from the Waverly High School as a member of the class of 1916, and in 1922 he was graduated from the law department of the University of Ohio, his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws having been virtually coincident with his admission to the Ohio bar. He forthwith opened a law office at Waverly, and in the autumn of the same year he was elected prosecuting attorney of Pike County, an office in which he is making an admirable record. He was a student in Western Reserve University, Cleveland, during the school years of 1919-20, and thereafter entered the law department of the State University. In the World war period he was in the Students' Navy Training Corps at Athens, Ohio. He is affiliated with the Elks, Knights of Pythias, and the Alpha Tau Omega and Phi Delta Phi college fraternities. September 8, 1919, marked the marriage of George D. Nye and Miss Margaret Gordon, daughter of Dr. Thomas G. and Fannie (Brainard) Gordon, the former of whom died in 1913 and the latter in 1915, Mrs. Nye being their only child. Mr. and Mrs. George D. Nye have a winsome little daughter, Marie Louise, born July 4, 1920, and possessed of all the independence which her natal day would indicate.

Robert Bruce Gillars, D. D. S., has built up in the city of Piqua, Miami County, a large and representative business in the work of his profession, and this business is based upon service of the highest grade in both the operative and laboratory departments of dental practice and upon the rendering of this important service at fair and equitable prices. The Doctor is one of those who have come to a realization of the ethical consistency of dental advertising, as by this means he has attracted the attention of many who are led to avail themselves of the advantages offered and thus to receive the effective dental service that implies much in physical well being. The finely equipped dental offices of Doctor Gillars comprise seven rooms and the establishment is known as the Philadelphia Dental Rooms. Doctor Gillars maintains insistently the policy of rendering to every patron the best of service and living up to the every detail of the professional contract thus involved. It is through such service that he has developed at Piqua a dental business of wide scope and important order, with satisfied patrons as the best medium of advertising.

Dr. Gillars, whose personal names indicate his Scotch lineage, was born in the City of Pottsville, Pennsylvania, on the 15th of July, 1877, and there his father, John Gillars, still resides, the devoted mother, Isabella, being deceased. In the public schools of his native city Doctor Gillars continued his studies until his graduation in the high school, as a member of the class of 1895. Thereafter he took a course in the Medical-Chirurgical College in the City of Philadelphia, and after leaving this institution, in 1901, he entered the Philadelphia School of Dentistry, in which he continued his studies two years and from which he gained his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. Prior to this, in 1900, he had attended the Philadelphia School of Anatomy, and thus it becomes evident that he specially well fortified himself for the work of his profession, in which his success has been of unqualified order. His experience in the work of his profession has been broad and varied, and in his offices at Piqua he has the

cooperation of four well qualified assistants. Doctor Gillars is loyal and progressive in his civic attitude, is aligned in the ranks of the democratic party, and he and his wife are communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

In 1897 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Gillars to Miss May Hewittson of Fredericktown, Providence of New Brunswick, Canada, and the two children of this union are Mildred Elizabeth, who is a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University, at Delaware, and Edna May, who is, in 1924, a student in the Harcourt Place School at Gambier, Ohio.

ALEXANDER RENICK, who died in March, 1923, was for nearly half a century an impressive figure and useful character in the City of Chillicothe and Ross County. His career measured up to the fine distinctions of an unusual pioneer family. The Renicks were from Scotland originally, though for one or more generations they lived in the North of Ireland before coming to America. George Renick came to this country about 1720, locating in Pennsylvania, where his descendants went down into the Valley of Virginia. George Renick, the grandfather of Alexander Renick, was born in what is now one of the extreme eastern counties of West Virginia, July 7, 1776, and as a young man visited the Northwest Territory and in 1802, after his marriage, brought his bride to Ohio, traveling by horseback to Chillicothe. He became a merchant, and also acquired land west of the city, building a stone house, which he occupied in 1807. He was one of the first to introduce Shorthorn cattle, and built up one of the notable herds of his day. He died in September, 1863. His wife, Dorothy Harness, was born in his native county and died in 1820.

Their son, Alexander Renick, Sr., was born at the family homestead west of Chillicothe, February 11, 1815, and as a young man occupied a nearby farm given him by his father. He lived on the farm until 1864, when he removed to Chillicothe. He was made a director in the First National Bank when it was organized in November, 1863, and was active in its management until his death in September, 1875. His wife, Jane Osborn, born at Columbus, Ohio, in 1817, was a daughter of Ralph and Catherine (Renick) Osborn, her mother coming of another branch of the Virginia Renick family. Ralph Osborn was a descendant of New England pioneers of the Mayflower time.

The late Alexander Renick, a son of Alexander and Jane (Osborn) Renick, was born at Chillicothe, and was liberally educated, attending the Chillicothe schools and later attending a military school at West Chester, Pennsylvania, and in 1868 graduated from the scientific department of Yale University. Returning to Ross County, he operated his father's farm until 1875, when he succeeded his father as a director of the First National Bank, and in 1887 was made vice president of that institution and in 1892 became its president. In addition to his position as head of one of the first national banks established in Ohio, he was one of the organizers, director and president of the Mutual Loan & Savings Association from its inception in 1888, and also helped organize and was a director and vice president of the Valley Savings Bank & Trust Company, established in 1907. He retained the ownership of his father's farm, and to the end of his life was interested in agriculture and stock raising. He was a republican, but his only public office was that of trustee for the Ohio Hospital for Epileptics at Gallipolis.

On December 29, 1874, he married Elizabeth Waddle, who still lives at Chillicothe and is the mother of Alexander M. Renick, the present postmaster of that city. Dr. William Waddle, father of Mrs. Elizabeth Renick, was born at Chillicothe, September 19, 1811, and died in that city August 23, 1895, aged eighty-four. By his life he well deserved the tribute once paid him by a fellow citizen: "Eminent in his profession, second to few, if any, in the state, a gentleman of large mind and superior mental abilities, a native of the ancient metropolis (Chillicothe) and foremost in every good work, his philanthropy knows no bounds."

His grandparents, Alexander and Elizabeth (McCormick) Waddle, were natives of Ireland, of Scotch ancestry, and came to America in 1784. Their son, John Waddle, born in Belfast in 1783, came to Chillicothe in 1803, and soon afterward engaged in business there as a merchant and during the War of 1812 helped supply the government with provisions. He married Nancy Mann, a native of Kentucky, and the late Dr. William Waddle was one of their eight children.

Doctor Waddle was educated in the Chillicothe Academy, in Ohio University at Athens, and in 1836 graduated from the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. He engaged in practice at Chillicothe in 1838, and continued the work of his profession practically to the end of his life. He served ten years, beginning in 1868, as a trustee of the Athens Insane Asylum, and in 1880 was appointed a trustee of the Central Insane Asylum of Columbus.

As a citizen he proved his devotion to good schools, a founding of a public library, and helped create the Chillicothe City Park, serving as one of the original park board of the city.

He married in 1845 Jane S. McCoy, a native of Chillicothe, and also of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Doctor Waddle and wife had nine children, Mrs. Elizabeth Renick being the oldest daughter.

ALEXANDER M. RENICK, postmaster of the City of Chillicothe, is a native son of this city and a scion of one of the old and honored families of Ross County. Of his ancestral history, in both the paternal and maternal lines, adequate record is given in the preceding sketch, in the memoir dedicated to his father, the late Alexander Renick, whose death occurred in March, 1923.

Mr. Renick was born at Chillicothe, judicial center of Ross County, on the 9th of January, 1882, and is the younger of the two children of Alexander and Elizabeth (Waddle) Renick, the other son, William Waddle Renick, having died at the age of four years. After having profited by the advantages of the public schools of Chillicothe, Alexander M. Renick attended St. Paul School, a preparatory institution, at Garden City, New York. In 1905 he was matriculated in historic old Yale University, in which he took an academic course but did not remain for graduation. Upon his return to his native city he became bookkeeper in the First National Bank of Chillicothe, of which his father was then president, and for seven years he had charge of the individual-deposit ledger and accounts in this institution. He then resigned his position and moved to his father's fine farm in Ross County, not far distant from Chillicothe. He continued as the vigorous and progressive manager of this farm estate until 1922, in which year he was appointed to his present office, that of postmaster of Chillicothe. His political allegiance is given unreservedly to the republican party, he and his wife are communicants of St. Paul's Church, Protestant Episcopal, he is a loyal and valued member of the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce, and he holds membership in the Chillicothe Country Club, besides being affiliated with the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. It need not be stated that Mr. Renick takes keen interest in all things touching the welfare

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and advancement of his native city and county, he being well known for his civic loyalty and liberality.

On the 27th of November, 1906, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Renick and Miss Edith Smith, a daughter of Charles and Ellen (Eckert) Smith, the other two daughters being Grace A. and Ruth M., and the one son, Ralph A., who married Miss Maude Terhune, being now a resident of Newfoundland, New Jersey. Charles Smith was for many years one of the interested principals in the Carbondale Coal Company, and in the Civil war period he served as a member of the Home Guard, he having been in the quartermaster's department, in the command of Captain Mott, at the time of the historic Morgan raids in Ohio, and his home at the time having been at Lancaster. The closing of the year 1923 finds the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Renick enrolled as students in the public schools of Chillicothe, Charles Alexander, sixteen years of age, being in the high school, and Ralph Osborn, eleven years of age, being in the graded school.

Stephen D. McLaughlin. Admitted to the bar more than thirty-five years ago, Stephen D. McLaughlin is one of the senior members of the Pike County bar, and has rendered a long and notable service in his profession and in public affairs in that section of the state.

He was born in Jackson County, Ohio, December 22, 1858, son of Aaron and Hiley Ann (Corn) McLaughlin. Both his father and mother were left orphans when children, and his mother was reared in Ohio by a family named Grabill. Aaron McLaughlin was of Scotch-Irish ancestry, of a family that first located in New England, and some of them remained there, while others went into Virginia and North Carolina. Aaron McLaughlin was born August 15, 1818, in Greenbrier County, Virginia, and was left an orphan when five years old. The public authorities had to find homes for the several children, and Aaron was taken into the family of a German named Jacob Molar. Jacob Molar finally moved out of North Carolina to Ohio, bringing with him his family, his live stock, his grain and even seeds for apple trees, so that he was completely equipped for establishing a new farm. He located in Jackson County, where he acquired a large acreage and developed a very fine estate. Aaron McLaughlin was reared with the Molars, was always treated as one of the family, and while Mr. Molar was a strict, hard-working man he was exceedingly honest. On reaching his majority Aaron McLaughlin left home and took a contract for getting out cord wood for the Charcoal Furnace. After being away a short time Mr. Molar hunted him up and requested that he return, since he found it impossible to get along without the young man's assistance. He offered Aaron McLaughlin $100 a year and his clothes and washing, bed and board, terms which were accepted. Aaron McLaughlin then returned and took charge of the farm for Mr. Molar, bought some land adjoining, and also some from Mr. Molar himself, and remained with the later until after his marriage and after he had built a home of his own. Finally the Molars, husband and wife, came to live with him and he took care of them until their death. In the course of time he acquired the Molar homestead and became a man of great good fortune. Mr. Molar was a wagon maker, and had the distinction of building the first wagon in Jackson County. Aaron McLaughlin was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He and his wife had ten children, and from the name he bestowed upon some of his sons he was evidently a staunch democrat. These children were: William A., James K., Andrew Jackson, Minerva, Selelda, Franklin Pierce, Aaron E., Stephen D., Charles and Oscar. Aaron McLaughlin was very active in public affairs, and was once a candidate for state representative.

Stephen D. McLaughlin grew up at the old homestead, attended the district schools, and as a youth secured a certificate and for seven years taught in rural districts. He began the study of law under John T. Moore, and after examination was admitted to the bar in 1886. For a number of years he has held qualifications for practice in the Federal District courts and the United States Supreme Court. He began practice in Pike County, and in the fall of 1887 was elected prosecuting attorney and by reelection served two terms. In 1893 he was elected mayor of Waverly and served two terms of two years each. He also became candidate for Congress, and was a member of the Ohio College of Electors who cast the vote of the state for President Wilson. Mr. McLaughlin prosecuted one very notable criminal case, against a man who deliberately shot his companion to secure $300 or $400 possessed by him, made his escape, was captured after a long hunt, brought back and Mr. McLaughlin secured his conviction and sentence to be hanged. The criminal secured a reprieve, and finally a change of his sentence to life and finally a complete pardon, all this occurring within five years from the date of murder.

On the 21st of August, 1924, Stephen D. McLaughlin was appointed by Governor Donahey Judge of the Common Pleas Court for Pike County to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge L. G. Dill, and he is now serving in that capacity.

Mr. McLaughlin in April, 1888, in Jackson County, married Miss Julia A. Alexander, daughter of Caleb and Mary (Callahan) Alexander. Her father lived to the age of ninety-six and her mother to ninety-three. There were eight children in the Alexander family: John C., William, Monroe, Sarah, Elizabeth, Jennie, Mrs. McLaughlin and Orpha. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin have three sons: Arthur, in the insurance business at Waverly; Harold D., a practicing attorney at Portsmouth; and James E., who is still in school; and also two daughters, the eldest, Edna, the wife of Levi Maxwell, who resides at Epworth, Iowa, and Mabel, who married Robert Wynn, of Piketon, who is the present representative from Pike County in the Legislature. Two grandchildren bless the homes of each of these daughters. Mr. McLaughlin is president of the official board of the Waverly Methodist Episcopal Church. He belongs to the Masonic Lodge, the Knights of Pythias and Modern Woodmen of America, and the Pike County Bar Association.

Samuel E. Stephenson. Stephenson is the name of one of the most numerous and most prominent families in Jackson County. The family came from North Carolina and settled in Southern Ohio in the early days of the Scioto Salt Wroks. One of the daughters of the family was Elizabeth Stephenson, who in 1850 was married to Moses Sternberger. For seventy years the name Sternberger had illustrious associations with the business and civic history of Jackson County. At the time of the World war, however, several prominent members of the family living in Jackson, by court order had the family name changed to Stephenson. Hence Mr. Samuel E. Stephenson, president of the Wellston Iron Furnace Company and a well-known banker at Jackson, was until a few years ago Mr. Samuel E. Sternberger.

Moses Sternberger, the pioneer, was a son of Samuel and Caroline Sternberger, of Bavaria, Germany, where he was born August 29, 1826. When only thirteen he immigrated, clerked for two years in Philadelphia, and in 1845 located at Jackson. He started in business as a peddler of notions, but in

the winter following opened a small store in Jackson, and in less than ten years had become one of the well-to-do and perhaps the most widely known of the town merchants. He became owner of much valuable property, was president of the First National Bank, and he and his wife were largely responsible for the upbuilding of the Presbyterian Church at Jackson. His wife died in 1873, but Moses Sternberger lived to a ripe old age.

His son, Morris Lee Sternberger, was undoubtedly one of the ablest citizens and business men of Southern Ohio, a leader in the development of the natural resources, a banker, financier, railroad president. He was born in Jackson County, February 9, 1856, and in 1882 began his active interests in the development of the coal and iron industry of the county. He became head of the Superior Coal Company, operating mines in Jackson County until he sold out about 1908. For a number of years he devoted his time to the iron and steel business and to railroads. He was president and manager of the Commercial Bank of Jackson, and was vice president of one of the leading banks of Cincinnati that subsequently became merged with the Fifth-Third Bank of that city. Much of his capital was invested in real estate and in companies owning some of the large buildings and hotels in Cincinnati. He was owner and president of the Dayton, Lebanon & Cincinnati Railroad Company, and was also president of the Wellston Steel & Iron Company.

Morris Lee Sternberger died at his home in Jackson, June 2, 1912. He married, April 24, 1883, Miss Mary Dungan, who was born in Jackson County, June 11, 1863, daughter of David and Mary Ann (Hale) Dungan, the Hales being a pioneer family of Jackson County. Mrs. Mary (Dungan) Sternberger is now living, and she likewise changed her name to Stephenson. She was the mother of three children, the sons being Samuel E., and Maurice L., is unmarried. The daughter, Elizabeth Mary, married Arnold Dickinson, of Fitchburg, Massachusetts, and has four children, named Elizabeth, Arnold, Jr., Ann and Morris.

Samuel E. Stephenson was born at Jackson, December 2, 1885, and after attending the public schools at Jackson was sent East and given the advantages of some of the most famous educational institutions in New England. He did his preparatory work in the Phillips Andover Academy, and in 1908 graduated from the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University with the Bachelor of Science degree. Returning to Jackson, he became associated with his father's business as general manager of coal operations, and subsequently became general manager of the Dayton, Lebanon & Cincinnati Railway, until it was sold in 1914 to the Pennsylvania System. At the death of his father he succeeded to the presidency of the various coal, iron and banking properties, and is president of the Home Telephone Company at Jackson, as well as of the Commercial Bank of Jackson. On account of his active and responsible connections with the iron and steel business, the government authorities resisted all his efforts to get into active service during the late war, though he tried in every possible way, even making a personal appeal to Secretary of War Baker. Mr. Stephenson is a member of the Presbyterian Church and the Elks order.

On October 19, 1912, he married, at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, Miss Rosalind Longley, daughter of Charles and Henrietta (Swenney) Longley. Her mother is still living. Her father, who died in 1897, was one of the leading merchants of New England, being head of a company owning and operating a chain of department stores through all the larger cities of the Northeastern States. He was a Knight Templar Mason. Mrs. Stephenson is the third of five children. Her brother Charles E., Jr., married Grace Mortimer, of New York, and her brother Vawter married Minerva Hardigan, of New York. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson are: Rosalind, born in 1917; Samuel E., Jr., born in 1918; Elizabeth, born in 1919, and Charlotte, born in 1921.

Isaac Preston Seiler, M. D. His natural gifts, his thorough education and long experience have made Doctor Seiler a physician and surgeon of the first rank in Pike County. He has practiced there for many years, and also has an enviable reputation as a good citizen of his home community of Piketon.

He was born at Hamilton, Pennsylvania, November 27, 1877, son of Daniel and Henrietta (Crossman) Seiler. His mother is still living, a daughter of Asa and Mary (Stuchell) Crossman, who came from Pennsylvania. The Crossmans are Scotch-Irish. The paternal grandparents were Mary and Peter Seiler, also Pennsylvanians. Daniel Seiler, who died in 1912, was a merchant at Sprankle Mills, Pennsylvania, and until his death he held for years the position of state food commission inspector. He was a Mason and a member of the German Reformed Church. Daniel Seiler and wife's children were: Isaac Preston; Ida, who married Ernest Moyer; Carl, who married Nora Eisenhart, and has a daughter, Mary, and a son, Ivan; Marion, a dentist of Hamilton, Ohio; Ira, a dentist at Lorain, Ohio, who married Jessie Shepard, and has two daughters, Maurine and Miriam.

Isaac Preston Seiler acquired his early education in the public schools at Jefferson County, Pennsylvania. He graduated with the Bachelor's degree from the Central State University of Pennsylvania, and took his medical course in the Ohio State University, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine. Doctor Seiler for a time practiced in Trumbull County, Ohio, then in Arizona Territory, and since then has given close attention to his growing practice in Piketon. In 1904 he took post-graduate work in the Chicago College of Physicians and Surgeons. During the World war he volunteered and spent eleven months in the Medical Officers' Training Corps at Camp Greenleaf, and received a first lieutenant's commission. At the signing of the armistice he was released and returned home to resume his private practice at Piketon. He is a member of the Pike County, Ohio State and American Medical associations. Doctor Seiler is a Scottish Rite Mason and a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Columbus, and is also affiliated with the Elks and Knights of Pythias.

On October 7, 1903, at Piketon, he married Miss Ethel Louise Dewey, a daughter of Charles and Louise (Wilson) Dewey, who reside at Jasper in Pike County. Her father is a lumberman and merchant at Jasper, and very active in local affairs, though he has steadfastly refused all official honors. He is a Knight of Pythias and a member of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Seiler has one brother, Floyd, who married May Beauchamp, and has a son, Charles, and a daughter, Janet. Doctor and Mrs. Seiler have one son, Jack Dewey.

Frank E. Ballard is a refrigeration engineer by profession, and has had an extensive experience in that line, installing refrigeration machinery, and is now manager of the Chillicothe Ice Company. He was a soldier in the World war, in overseas duty.

He was born at Evansville, Indiana, May 16, 1889, son of H. D. and Caroline (Kampschaefer) Ballard. His mother is still living, having married a second time. H. D. Ballard died in 1893, when his only son, Frank E., was four years old. He had been a street

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railway man, and at the time of his death was in the United States mail service. The two sisters of Frank E. Ballard are Lena, who married B. S. Potts, and Lula, who by her marriage to Edward W. Williams has five children.

Frank E. Ballard attended public school in Tell City, Indiana, had two years of high school instruction, and when he left school he learned the butcher's trade. While following that occupation he pursued a course of engineering with the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, studying mathematics and specializing in refrigerating construction engineering. On completing his course he became engineer in the ice plant at Nashville, Tennessee, in 1910. Remaining there two years, he was then with the L. W. Wolf Ice Plant Company of Chicago as construction engineer on the road, installing plants for this concern. After four years he changed his service to the Triumph Ice Machine Company of Cincinnati, Ohio. As installing engineer for this company he was kept busy until America entered the World war. He was then granted a leave of absence, and had seventeen months of service and experience in the Eighty-fifth Division. He became a sergeant. He was in training four months at Camp Custer, Michigan, and went overseas, sailing from Hoboken, New York, and landing at Liverpool, July 13, 1918. After one week in England he crossed the channel to Brest, and was soon in some of the scenes of heaviest action during the summer and fall of 1918, including the Meuse-Argonne sector, the Alsace-Lorraine and Toul sectors. He was in the Toul sector November 11, 1918, when the armistice was signed, and then continued with his division in various places until returning to the United States, March 21, 1919. After a brief stay at Camp Upton he was sent to Camp Custer, Michigan, to receive his honorable discharge. After leaving the army Mr. Ballard resumed service with the Triumph Ice Machine Company of Cincinnati, but in December, 1922, resigned to become manager of the Chillicothe Ice Company.

Mr. Ballard has interested himself in local civic and social affairs at Chillicothe, and is one of the popular young business men. On April 29, 1920, at Port Huron, Michigan, he married Miss Ruth Vera Lossing, daughter of Fred and Jessie (Todd) Lossing. She was the only child of her parents. Her father and mother are still living, the former a carpenter. Mr. and Mrs. Ballard have one son, Lloyd H.

JOHN H. LEWIS. The historic and attractive old city of Chillicothe, Ross County, has as chief of its excellent fire department the popular citizen whose name initiates this paragraph and who is giving a most efficient administration in his important sphere of service.

Mr. Lewis was born at Waverly, Pike County, Ohio, January 16, 1862, and is a son of Jesse and Nancy (Hibbons) Lewis, both of whom passed their entire lives in Ohio, where the father died in 1883 and the mother in 1904. Of the children the eldest was Kate, who became the wife of Dudley Hill and who is now deceased; John H., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Ellen became the wife of William Barr, and she is now deceased, as is also Ida, who was the wife of Edward Foy; Miss Edith, youngest of the children, still resides at Waverly, Pike County. In his earlier business career Jesse Lewis conducted a meat market at Waverly, and he was city marshal of that place at the time of his death. Impaired eyesight rendered him ineligible for military service in the Civil war, but he found other avenues for patriotic activity during that stormy period in the nation's history. Both he and his wife were consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Chillicothe's fire-department chief was a youth at the time of his father's death, and has never gained specific data concerning the family history, though it is known that the original representatives of the Lewis family in Ohio came from the State of New York, and that the family was founded in America in an early day. The maternal grandparents of Chief Lewis came to Ohio from Pennsylvania.

In the public schools of Waverly John H. Lewis continued his studies until he was a lad of thirteen years, when he found employment on the farm of Dr. G. W. Clough, with whom he remained until he had attained to the age of eighteen years. He then returned to the parental home at Waverly, and there he found varied employment until he came to Chillicothe and entered upon an apprenticeship to the blacksmith trade in the shops of the Chillicothe Carriage Factory. As a skilled workman he continued to follow his trade ten years, and in 1900 he became a driver in the city fire department, where his advancement has been won through faithful and efficient service. He was promoted to a captaincy, and of this position he continued the incumbent until he assumed the office of chief of the department in 1919.

Chief Lewis is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Improved Order of Redmen, and holds membership in the Ohio Police and Fire Association and the national organization of fire-department chiefs. He and his wife attend and support the United Brethren Church in their home city.

In 1884 occurred the marriage of Mr. Lewis and Miss Julia Cramblit, daughter of the late John and Sarah (DeLong) Cramblit, of Ross County. Mr. and Mrs. Cramblit were the parents of six children: Simon, William, Mary (deceased), Harriet, Dorothy and Julia (Mrs. Lewis). Mr. and Mrs. Lewis have three children: Floyd married Miss Marie Blankship, and they have three children, Eleanor, Bettie and Ruth; Ethel is the wife of Gilbert Leach; and the other child is Mabel Florence. Floyd Lewis and his family now maintain their home in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, where he is associated with a leading moving-picture corporation. He served as a member of the Home Guard during the period of American participation in the World war.

HON. EDWIN D. RICKETTS, who served three terms as a member of Congress from the Eleventh Ohio District, has the distinction of being the only Hocking County citizen to represent his district in Congress during a century.

Mr. Ricketts is a well-known attorney, a member of the bar at Logan, and his success in his profession and in public life has been due to untiring energy that never relaxed in his early struggles to gain an education and a foothold on the road to achievement.

Mr. Ricketts was born at Maxwell, Perry County, Ohio, his parents being natives of the same county. His mother, Leah Angeline (Hitchcock) Ricketts, who died August 21, 1916, at the age of seventy, was a sister of Colonel Hitchcock, a prominent citizen of Perry County. Frank A. Ricketts, father of the former congressman, was born February 13, 1839, and is a resident of Logan, being eighty-five years of age. During the Civil war he served three years, two months and twelve days with the Thirty-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry. His active career has been devoted to farming and coal mining. He mined coal at New Straitsville until the strike of miners in 1884, when he removed his family to a farm eight miles west of Logan, in Hocking County. He took a great deal of delight in farming, and achieved much prosperity. In his younger years he taught

school for twenty terms or more. Both he and his wife were devout Methodists.

Edwin D. Ricketts grew up in a coal miner's home and his first teacher was his father in a school near New Straitsville. At an early age he went into the mines, working as a common laborer, but all the time was industriously striving to perfect his own education. He completed a high school course at home, and home study has brought him the equivalent of a college course. As a youth he taught school, and for twelve years was a school superintendent in Fairfield, Pickaway and Hocking counties. During the last three years of his work as a teacher he read law under Judge O. W. H. Wright at Logan, and on October 14, 1899, was admitted to the Ohio bar. Mr. Ricketts established himself in the office he now occupies at Logan September 21, 1904. He has been admitted to practice in all the state courts and the United States Supreme Court. For fifteen months during Governor Herrick's administration, he served as state fire marshal. He was also a justice of the peace, and was an unsuccessful candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney. In 1914 came his first honor of election to Congress from the Eleventh District. In 1916 he was defeated for reelection. In 1918 he defeated his former opponent and in 1920 was reelected. In 1922 he was again unsuccessful. During his three terms in Congress Mr. Ricketts served on many important committees, including roads, merchant marine, elections, enrolled bills and invalid pensions. In his law practice Mr. Ricketts has represented cases in all courts, including local, State Supreme and various branches of the Federal judiciary. A leader of the republican party, he has attended conventions from township to national. Mr. Ricketts is past counselor commander of the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Elks and Moose.

He married, October 14, 1888, Miss Lydia B. Diffenbaugh. They have three sons: Wilbert M., Marcus H. and Francis E.

Burton Egbert Stevenson. While his name has become widely known in American literary circles as an author and editor, Burton Egbert Stevenson has always been more than satisfied to live in his native Ohio city, Chillicothe, a residence diversified by frequent sojourns in Europe, and for a quarter of a century has been librarian of the public library.

Mr. Stevenson was born at Chillicothe, November 9, 1872. He was educated in local schools, attended Princeton University from 1890 to 1893, and first satisfied his literary ambitions in newspaper work. He was city editor of the Chillicothe Daily News in 1894 and of the Daily Advertiser in 1898. In 1899 he became librarian of the Chillicothe Public Library. The development of the library as an important educational center and institution of Chillicothe and the county has taken place under his administration. Six years after he became librarian the new library building was constructed and many additions have been made not only to its collection of books, but to the facilities of service. Mr. Stevenson is a member of the Authors Club of New York City, the Authors Guild of America, and at the time of the World war was sent to Paris as European director of the Library war service of the American Library Association. He organized and was engaged in that work from 1918 to 1920, when the last American troops left France.

Mr. Stevenson was editor of Theodore Winthrop's posthumous novel, "Mr. Waddy's Return in 1904." He was editor of the Condensed Classics edition of Fielding's "Tom Jones;" was editor and compiler of "Days and Deeds," verse, in 1906; "Days and Deeds," prose, 1907; "Poems of American History," 1908; "A Child's Guide to American Biography," 1909; "Home Book of Verse," 1912; "Home Book of Verse for Young Folks," 1915, and "The Home Book of Modern Verse," 1925.

He has been writing short stories, histories of romances and novels for a quarter of a century. His best known writings are as follows: "At Odds With the Regent: A Story of the Cellamare Conspiracy," 1900; "A Soldier of Virginia: A Story of Colonel Washington and Braddock's Defeat," 1901; "The Heritage," 1902; "Tommy Remington's Battle," 1902; "The Holladay Case," 1903; "Cadets of Gascony, Two Stories of Old France," 1904; "The Marathon Mystery," 1904; "The Young Section Hand," 1905; "The Girl with the Blue Sailor," 1906; "Affairs of State," 1906; "The Young Train-Dispatcher," 1907; "That Affair at Elizabeth," 1907; "The Quest for the Rose of Sharon," 1909; "The Young Train Master," 1909; "The Path of Honor," 1910; "The Spell of Holland," 1911; "Mystery of the Boule Cabinet," 1912; "The Young Apprentice," 1912; "The Gloved Hand," 1913; "The Destroyer," 1913; "The Charm of Ireland," 1914; "Little Comrade," 1915; "A King in Babylon," 1917; "The Girl from Alsace," 1918; "The Kingmakers," 1922; "The Storm-Centre," 1924.

On June 12, 1895, Mr. Stevenson married Elizabeth Shepard Butler, of Chillicothe.

Overton F. Williamson. For fifteen years Overton F. Williamson has been closely identified with the educational affairs of Southern Ohio. He has taught and has been a school administrator in several counties, and is now county superintendent of schools of Pike County.

Mr. Williamson was born in Adams County, Ohio, July 10, 1887, son of John S. and Allie Olive (Cornelius) Williamson, both of whom were born in Ohio and are still living. The paternal grandparents were Joseph and Mary (Storer) Williamson, who came from Pennsylvania, Joseph Williamson being Scotch and Mary Storer of English ancestry. The maternal grandparents were Robert and Rebecca (Lowry) Cornelius, Cornelius being an English name while Lowry is Irish. John S. Williamson has spent his active career as a merchant and farmer, operating a general store and cultivating a farm of 260 acres. He is a member of the United Presbyterian Church at Wheat Ridge, Ohio. The children of these parents were: Lala, who married J. A. Young and has two children, named Williard and John R.; Charles B. and his wife, Elizabeth, have two children, Charles, Jr., and Billie; Mary Grace is the wife of Edward Martin and has a son, George Edward; William Edgar married Hattie Martin; Edith Hannah is the wife of Homer McClelland, and their one child is Elizabeth June.

Overton F. Williamson while a boy on a farm in Adams County attended the district schools, graduated from the high school at West Union, and during 1906-08 was a student in Muskingum College. He began his career as a teacher in Guernsey County, remaining there during 1908-10, and from 1911 to 1914 taught in his native county of Adams. During 1915-16 he was a teacher in the Jefferson Township High School, in the summer of 1916 was at Lebanon, and in 1917 became district superintendent of the Central District of four townships, including Jefferson, Tifton, Oliver and Liberty, and also West Union Village. He held this responsible post in the educational work of Adams County until 1920, when he was chosen district superintendent of schools for Pike County, which position he held for a term of one year and then was advanced to the position

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of County Superintendent, which position he still holds. His office is at Waverly. Mr. Williamson had an active part as a school official in promoting war work among the school children of his district, and his organization led the list in the sale of War Savings Stamps.

At Peebles, Ohio, January 3, 1912, he married Miss Blanche Marie Hayslip, daughter of David W. and Ella Lucille (Hatfield) Hayslip. Her father was a farmer, and her mother is still living. Mrs. Williamson is next to the youngest of five children. The other children of her parents were: Flossie, who is the wife of Charles Holmes, and they have a son, Roy Edward; Mabel, wife of N. J. Howell; Raymond, who married Delillie Florea, and has a son, Ross Wayne; and Lucille.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson are members of the Church of Christ. Three children were born to their marriage, Ralph Leon, the son, dying in infancy, and the two daughters are Mary Lucille and Ruth Evelyn.

GEORGE E. BARCH was born at Waverly in Pike County, has regarded that as his home throughout his life, and has been one of the sterling and successful business leaders in that community in Southern Ohio.

He was born at Waverly, December 16, 1858, son of Christopher W. and Mary Anna (Flowers) Barch, both now deceased. His mother was born in Ohio and her father, William Flowers, was of old Virginia ancestry. Christopher W. Barch was born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1829, son of John and Mary Barch. When he was six months old, in 1830, the family started for America, and were 106 days on the voyage. They were in an old sailing ship, and the passengers were reduced to near starvation, having in the last days only a ration of a spoonful of rice per day. Christopher W. Barch became a blacksmith by trade. Owing to ill health he did not become a Union soldier, but two brothers represented the family as soldiers in the war. Christopher W. Barch's children were: William, E. L., George E., Cora May, wife of S. K. Smith, and John, who died unmarried in 1923. The oldest child was Martin Luther, who died when fourteen months old. George Barch's brothers, William and E. L., are both married.

George E. Barch acquired his early education in the public schools of Waverly. Leaving school at the age of nineteen, he went to work in his father's shop, and fourteen years later became bookkeeper and traveling salesman for the Peepee Milling Company of Waverly. He was with that firm twenty-one consecutive years and never lost a day's wages from duty. In the meantime, in 1892, he helped organize the Waverly Building and Loan Association, becoming one of its directors. In 1894 he was elected secretary of the Association and has now completed thirty years of service, a service that has been largely responsible for the building up of a million dollar company, one of the best managed Building and Loan Associations in the state.

Mr. Barch was elected judge of the Probate Court, of Pike County, and held that office for two terms, the eight years from 1912 to 1920. He has also served as mayor of Waverly. During the World war he took a prominent part in all the drives for the sale of Liberty Bonds and the raising of funds for the Young Men's Christian Association and Red Cross. His wife was county chairman of one of the departments of the Red Cross. Mr. Barch is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Knights of Pythias, and is a past master of the Masons and has been secretary of the lodge for many years.

On July 30, 1884, at Washington Court House, Ohio, Mr. Barch married Miss May Garwood, of Waverly. She has two married brothers, Park and Poe Garwood. Four children have been born to the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Barch, Frank E., the oldest, first married Nellie Morgan, and his present wife, Mrs. Harriet Barch, came from Kentucky. The son, Walter, married Amanda Holton, of Pike County, Ohio, and their three children are George and Robert, twins, and Virginia. The third child, Mary Virginia, married Plumer Haynes, of Chillicothe. The youngset is Garwood, living in Detroit.

THOMAS C. JENKINS, superintendent of the Ohio State Reformatory, is one of the men of Ohio who is devoting his time, energies and talents to the work of rescuing boys and sending them forth from his institution so improved as to make of them good and loyal citizens. The importance of this welfare work among the delinquent boys is receiving much more attention than formerly, and Mr. Jenkins belongs to the new school of superintendents, following in his methods his predecessor, James A. Leonard, to whose fostering care and love for his work is due much of the efficiency of the school today.

The birth of Thomas C. Jenkins occurred in Morgan County, Ohio, March 13, 1879, and he is a son of Richard and Abigail J. (Sheridan) Jenkins, and a grandson of David Jenkins, a native of Wales, who came to the United States at an early day. Richard Jenkins spent his life on a farm in Morgan County. Growing up on his father's farm, Thomas C. Jenkins early cherished ambitions to be of service to his community, and with this idea in view entered the educational field. In it he displayed such exceptional ability and such an understanding of boys that his work attracted the attention of J. W. Dover, one of the trustees of the Ohio State Reformatory, who urged him to accept an appointment as teacher and guard at the institution. In 1905 he yielded to Mr. Dover's request and began his connection with this great work, then under the supervision of James A. Leonard.

In 1896 the Ohio State Reformatory was organized and placed under the supervision of six trustees, but subsequently, under Governor Harmon, a board of administration was created. When this institution was still in its infancy James A. Leonard, then principal of one of the high schools of Youngstown, Ohio, was induced to become its superintendent, and he continued at its head until 1918, when failing health made his resignation obligatory. His death occurred not long after he left the reformatory. Mr. Leonard and his assistants made this one of the leading reformatories of the country, a fact commented upon by an examining committee that had visited a number of similar institutions. In its report the committee stated emphatically that of all of these institutions the Ohio State Reformatory was ten years in advance in the work it was accomplishing. Not only was Mr. Leonard a tireless and efficient worker himself, but he had the faculty of gathering about him a corps of enthusiastic and capable assistants, and Mr. Jenkins also possesses this admirable trait of character.

Upon coming to the reformatory Mr. Jenkins took hold of the duties assigned him with such effectiveness that it was not long before he was made superintendent of schools and later field officer and sent out to cover the southern half of the state and keep in touch with the boys who had been sent out from tha reformatory on parole. On January 13, 1913, Mr. Jenkins was recalled from the field and made assistant superintendent, succeeding Capt. R. U. Hastings, who was promoted to superintendent

of the Industrial School at Lancaster, Ohio. On August 1, 1918, Mr. Jenkins was made superintendent, at the time of the retirement of Mr. Leonard. When Mr. Jenkins became superintendent the number of inmates was less than 1,500, but the number has since reached over 2,000. The only change of any moment that has been made in the policies is that here boys have been assigned to outside work, such as the sending of boys to Honor Camp at Soldiers and Sailors Home, Sandusky, State Sanatorium at Mount Vernon, State Farm at Grafton, Ohio, Welfare Department in Columbus, and other state institutions, farm groups, etc. Trustees for this work are selected from the better class of boys, and is a reward for meritorious conduct, the number of such trustees sometimes being as many as from 25 to 30 per cent of the population. From the beginning of their connection with the institution the ideas of self control and loyalty are constantly inculcated in the lads, and when they go back into the world the effects are very noticeable. Such results would have been regarded as impossible twenty years ago. About 100 persons are employed in the institution, all of whom are carefully selected with the idea of bringing the boys into contact with no one who will not exert a heplful influence. The estimate has been made, and the facts prove, that at least 80 per cent of the boys discharged from the reformatory become reliable, successful and loyal citizens.

Not only is Mr. Jenkins a born teacher and executive, he is much more. He knows just how to reach the heart of a boy, how to awaken his pride and stimulate his ambition, and he is a powerful incentive to his charges to right living and honorable conduct. Mr. Jenkins is a member of the Masonic fraternity. Through the medium of the Kiwanis Club he works for the further development of Mansfield and Richland County, and he is otherwise active in local affairs.

Mr. Jenkins married Miss Florence Harper, a daughter of James W. and Esther (Heston) Harper, the former a native of Belmont County, Ohio, but spent the most of his life in Morgan County, and the latter was born in Morgan County, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins have two children: Mary Evelyn, who is attending college, Western School for Women at Oxford, Ohio, and Thomas Eldon, who is attending high school in Mansfield.

Joseph H. Ray, M. D. Through a period of nearly forty years Dr. Joseph H. Ray has performed the important service of a physician and surgeon in the community of Coalton in Jackson County. He is a member of an old and honored family in that section of the state.

Doctor Ray was born near Byer, in Jackson County, November 15, 1857, son of John G. and Louisa (Dixon) Ray, and grandson of Teague and Amy (Graves) Ray, and Joseph and Rachel Dixon. The Ray family came from North Carolina in 1805, and were pioneer farmers in the country between Richmond Dale and Chillicothe, Ohio. John G. Ray, who died in 1896, spent his active career as a farmer. He was a member of the Christian Church, was a democrat and for twelve years held the office of justice of the peace. His wife died in 1895. They had a family of seven children: Lorenzo, now deceased, married first Maranda Brooks, second, Mary Scully, his three children being by his first marriage: Electa, deceased, was the wife of Lewis Smallwood, and they have four children; Priscilla married William Brooks, and they had a family of three children; Teague married Phebe Lively and had three children; Dr. Joseph H.; E. S. married Zoa Smallwood and had three children, and Dr. A. G. Ray, is another well known physician in Jackson County.

Dr. Joseph H. Ray attended district schools, finished a course in the National Normal University at Lebanon, and for seven years he taught in the school districts of Jackson and Vinton counties. His first year as a medical student was spent in the Columbus Medical College, and from there he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, where he was graduated in 1885. Doctor Ray established his office at Coalton soon after graduating, and his working interest has ever since been identified with that community. However, he has been away in order to keep in touch with the progress of his profession. He did work in the Chicago Post Graduate School of Medicine in 1899, and in 1900 went abroad with his family, attending clinics in some of the world famous centers of medicine as well as enjoying the broad culture of travel. He was in Great Britain, France, Switzerland and Germany, and in Berlin attended many clinics in general surgery and diseases of women. On his return to this country he immediately resumed his practice in Coalton. Doctor Ray has a large professional business, has acquired considerable property, including a fine home and a farm which is under the management of his son. He is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations, and is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. His church is the Presbyterian.

In December, 1885, in Jackson County, Doctor Ray married Miss Hester Burris, daughter of Jackson L. and Mary (Hull) Burris. Her father was a farmer, and was accidentally killed while cutting down a tree. He was a Methodist. Mrs. Ray has one sister, Della, whose first husband was Dr. Orlando Woodrow, and she is now the wife of William Kelly, of Wellston. Doctor and Mrs. Ray have one son, Earl, who graduated in 1914 in the mining engineering course from Ohio State University, and during the World war was in training as a soldier. At present he is home looking after his father's farm.

Frederick E. Jones, president of the Royal Collieries Company, is one of the most prominent coal operators in Southern Ohio and Eastern Kentucky. His home is at Jackson, and he is one of several brothers who have made names for themselves in the world of affairs. One of his brothers, Thomas A. Jones, has had a long career as an attorney and jurist, and is an associate justice of the Ohio Supreme Court.

Eben Jones, father of Frederick E., was one of the ablest men of his time in Southern Ohio. He was born in Wales, June 14, 1834, and died at Jackson in May, 1921, at the age of eighty-seven. His parents were Thomas T. and Mary (Edwards) Jones. In 1837 Thomas T. Jones brought his family to America, crossing the ocean on a sailing vessel, and from New York coming westward by stage coach and canal boat and finally from Chillicothe used wagon and team to penetrate the almost unbroken wilderness of Jackson County. Thomas T. Jones in spite of primitive conditions developed a farm and one of the most substantial farm houses in the county, and subsequently became the contractor in building a portion of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway. After 1853, he became identified with the iron industry, assisting in organizing the Jefferson Furnace Company and the Buckeye Furnace.

Eben Jones was a child when the family came to Ohio. He grew up in Jackson County, and acquired a good education in the country schools, in Ohio University at Athens, and in a business college at Cincinnati. For six years he taught school. While teaching he became interested in the iron furnace industry. In 1864 he helped recruit a company and became first lieutenant of Company C of the 179th Ohio Infantry, serving during the last year of the war and participating in the battle of Nashville. After the war

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he was secretary and treasurer of the Buckeye Furnace, and in 1873 helped organize and became secretary and treasurer of the Globe Iron Company at Jackson, and for over forty years was prominently identified with this, one of the most successful iron companies of Southern Ohio. He became president of the company.

In August, 1857, Eben Jones married Ann Williams, a native of Wales, daughter of Morgan and Margaret Williams. She died in 1887. Their six sons were Thomas A., Edwin, John E., Newton, Charles D. and Frederick E., all of whom achieved success in their chosen vocations.

Frederick E. Jones, youngest of the sons, was born at Jackson, January 14, 1876. He was educated in high school, and in the college of Liberal Arts and Science at Ohio State University. At the university he was a Phi Delta Theta. Following his university career he became associated with the Emma Coal Company, which was owned by his brother, Edwin. He was a salesman for this company several years, and then engaged in business for himself by organizing the Royal Collieries Company. He has a controlling interest in this, organized in 1910, the company operating mines in Kentucky. Mr. Jones has been president of the company since 1910. He is also president of the Low Ash Coal Company, owning and operating properties in Kentucky. He is president of the Elder-Jones Coal Company of Columbus, a wholesale distributing company. He is vice president of Yellow Chief Collieries Company, a holding company. These various organizations own 3,000 acres of choice coal lands in Kentucky. Mr. Jones is also a director in the Globe Iron Company at Jackson, of which the president is his brother, John E. Jones, and he is president of the Central West Bond and Investment Company.

In January, 1900, at Florence, Alabama, Mr. Frederick Jones married Miss Grace Estell McGarry, daughter of A. J. and Elizabeth Jane (Elder) McGarry. Her father has been one of the prominent men in the industrial life of Alabama. He is president of the Florence Foundry and Railway Equipment Company, and has extensive interests in iron and coal. For many years he has been interested in the Sheffield Iron Company. There were four children in the Frederick Jones family: Wylodine V., Frederick Arthur, Robert E. and Grace Estell, but the last named passed away at the age of eight years.

Mr. Jones is a member of the Presbyterian Church, is affiliated with the Elks, is a member of the Jackson County Country Club, and president of the Jackson Chamber of Commerce.

Henry P. McGhee, a merchant for many years at Wellston, represents a pioneer family of Southern Ohio. The McGhees, sometimes spelled McGee, came to Ohio from old Virginia, settling in Jackson County early in the last century. The grandfather of Henry P. McGhee was John McGhee, a native of Virginia. The late John S. McGhee, father of Henry P., was born in Jackson County, October 21, 1823, and lived to a venerable age. During his early years he had a working experience at salt works, teaming, railroad construction and furnace work. He was superintendent of some of the old time furnaces of Southern Ohio. In his later years he devoted his time to the management of his extensive farm, including a large amount of coal land. He became a coal operator, and was also a speculator in cattle and real estate. He held the office of county commissioner six years, and was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Methodist Church. John S. McGhee was twice married. His second wife was Electa Phillips, daughter of Henry and Phoebe Phillips. John S. McGhee died in 1911, and his wife, nine months later, in the same year. They were the parents of five daughters and four sons: Henry P.; Eliza, deceased, by her marriage to John Lockard had six children, named Clyde, John, Carrie, Lillian, Arthur and Lorie; Susan, who married David Walker and had a son, Guy; Ophelia, who married Frank Carrel; Lincoln, who died in boyhood; Miss Sallie; Katheryne B., who was married to Will Gettels; Grant, who married Daisy Walton and had two children, John and Ruth; and William, who married Phoebe Massie.

Henry P. McGhee was born in Jackson County, March 31, 1858, and grew up on his father's farm. He attended the public schools at Wellston and at Dayton, and finished a commercial course in the Wilt and Sutherland Business College. For a time he worked in a general store, and for upwards of forty years has been in the hardware business as a merchant at Wellston. Mr. McGhee has been satisfied to give his chief service through the efficient conduct of his business. While he has been interested in republican politics he has never permitted his name to be placed on the republican ticket, though frequently urged to do so. He is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, a member of the Elks and Knights of Pythias and the Methodist Episcopal Church. On March 31, 1893, on his thirty-fifth birthday, he married at Wellston, Miss Elizabeth Lockard, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Tiller) Lockard. Her father, who died in 1921, was an Ohio soldier in the Civil war. Mr. and Mrs. McGhee have one daughter, Gladys, wife of Ora C. Wills, and they are the parents of one son, Richard Henry.

Henry G. Brunner, former mayor of Mansfield, and now secretary of the W. Lee Cotter Warehouse Company, is a man in whom the stalwart virtues and good business sense of his German forebears are shown forth in his work and influence. He is a native son of Mansfield, as he was born in the city July 30, 1884. His parents, Henry and Catherine (Kuhn) Brunner, natives of Germany, had come to Mansfield at different times during 1880, and here they were married, the latter passing away May 25, 1924. They were among the original members of the Saint Paul's German Church.

Terminating his schooldays with his completion of the work of the seventh grade, Henry George Brunner entered a foundry and learned the trade of a moulder, but this inclination led him away from his trade into newspaper work, and from 1913 to 1919 he was connected with the Mansfield Shield as a reporter, and then was general manager of the Shield until it was merged with the News.

One of the leading democrats of Richland County, Mr. Brunner has been called upon to fill many offices, and has served three terms as mayor, the first time being elected in 1917. After he assumed the duties of this office in 1918 many much-needed improvements were either completed or inaugurated, and the total of them includes street improvements, the erection of the City Building, subway, new pump station, with new supply of water from three springs, new reservoir with over 100-foot fall, the development of the present fire department with four stations, thirty-three men and all modern equipment, and a police department of twenty-two. In addition to being mayor, Mr. Brunner was also city judge. He is democratic state committeeman, as he has been for some time, and has served as delegate to the state conventions. Mr. Brunner is a man who has always believed in encouraging local enterprises, and is a director of the W. Lee Cotter Transfer & Storage Company, is a member of the executive committee of the Mansfield Savings Bank, and is a director and a member of the executive committee of the Central Ohio Mortgage Company. Fraternally he belongs to

the Masonic order and to the Knights of Pythias and to all of the other organizations of moment, either fraternal or social, of the city, in whose progress he takes a determining part. He is a member of Saint Paul's German Church.

Mr. Brunner married Miss Beatrice Wolff, and they have two children: Martin and Barbara. A man of broad viewpoint, he is not content with making his city the equal of any other municipality of its size in the state, but he is determined to make it lead all others and be recognized as a model in every respect. He was fortunate in having in his cabinet while mayor some very able men, who worked with him to carry out the most public-spirited of plans.

ORAL HARRISON MCCLAIN, one of the younger men in the business life of Jackson County, has an admirable record of accomplishment and enjoys high standing for his success in the real estate and insurance business.

He was born at Elk Fork, in Vinton County, Ohio, November 19, 1900, and traces his ancestry through the McClains of Scotland. His grandfather, Peter McClain, is an old timer of Southern Ohio, and was identified with some of the pioneer iron furnaces in this section of the state. Frank M. McClain, father of O. H., is cashier and telegraph dispatcher for the Detroit, Toledo and Ironton Railway at Jackson, and in former years was also in the ice cream business. He has served as mayor of Jackson, and has been very active and influential in local affairs. Frank M. McClain married Emma Kingry, a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Kingry. The three children of Frank M. McClain are: Carl Elsworth, who married Lelia Freeland; Oral Harrison; and Florence Evelyn.

Oral Harrison McClain attended school at Jackson, finishing a high school course at the age of sixteen. For a year and a half he was a clerk in the Callahan and Motz Hardware Store at Jackson. While America was in the World war he performed an essential service with the railroad administration, having charge of the demurrage on cars for the Detroit, Toledo and Ironton Railway. He performed a similar service with the Hocking Valley Railway. Subsequently he left the railroad service and opened an office in Jackson as representative of life insurance and real estate business. He has been very successful in this field, and is making a special study of the technique of insurance.

Mr. McClain, who is unmarried, is a very active worker in the Christian Church. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge.

ROSSITER S. WILLIAMS, postmaster of Oak Hill in Jackson County, is one of the native sons of that locality and has achieved honor and respect among the people with whom he grew up, largely through his own efforts, since he had to support himself from early boyhood. He served a number of years in the United States Navy, including the World war period.

He was born at Oak Hill February 2, 1889, son of Harry and Aurora (Foster) Williams, and grandson of Morgan and Mary Williams and Jasper and Mary Foster. The family on the paternal side came from Wales. Harry Williams was a well known resident of Oak Hill, and died February 6, 1920. His wife passed away December 31, 1899. They had two children, Herbert M. and Rossiter S.

Rossiter S. Williams had no schooling after he was fifteen years of age, though a varied experience has presented him the opportunities not found in a university. He attended public school at Oak Hill, being two years in high school, and from the age of fifteen until twenty, labored in a brick yard.

On March 15, 1909, he enlisted in the navy, and had four years of service. On being released he returned to Oak Hill, and again worked in brick plants.

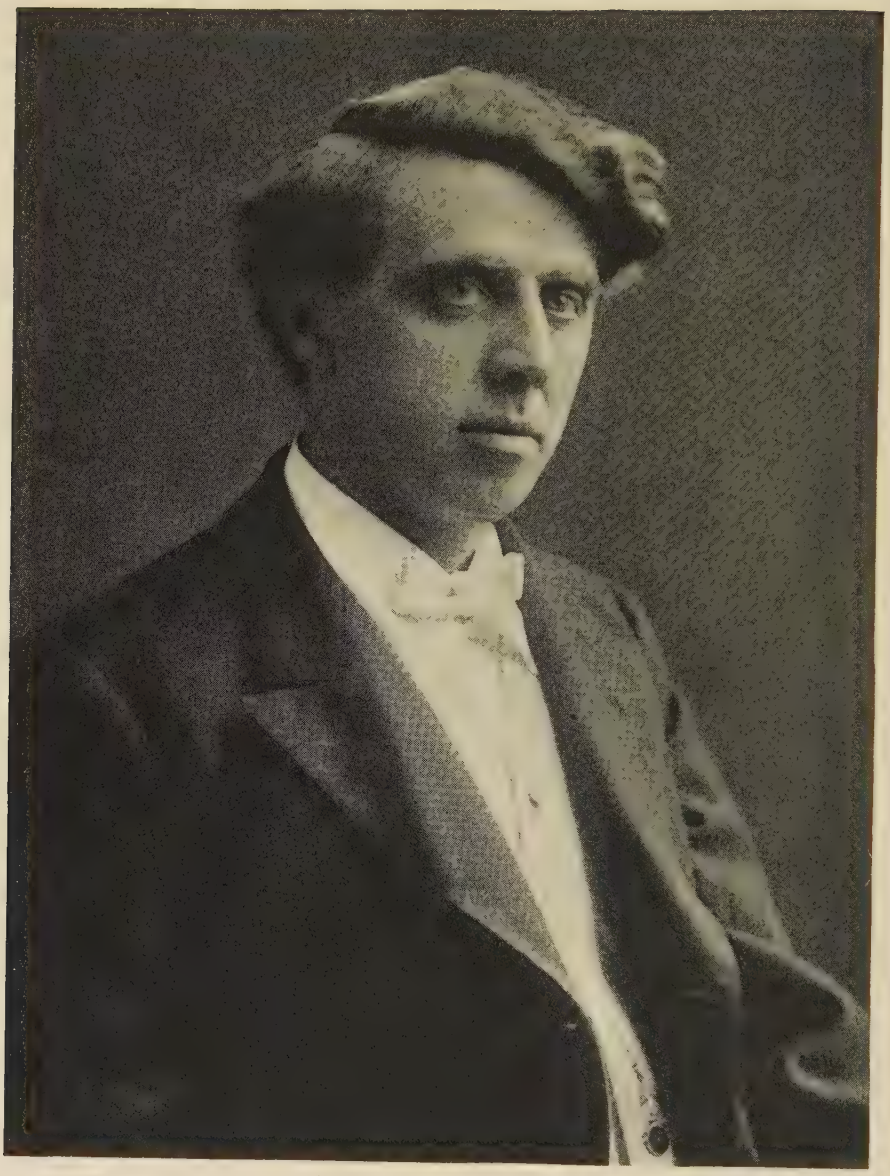
On July 23, 1917, he was recalled to the service of the navy, spending one month at Philadelphia and then serving on board the U. S. S. Camden and U. S. S. Lapwing. With these ships he saw active service in home and foreign waters for upwards of two and a half years, getting his honorable discharge September 19, 1919. The "Lapwing" was a mine sweeper, and while on this vessel he aided in clearing the North Sea of American mines that had been planted to keep the Germans from coming out of their home waters. He then returned home, and on February 16, 1922, was appointed postmaster of Oak Hill. Mr. Williams is a republican, a member of the United Brethern Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Order and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Williams married a charming member of one of the best families in Jackson County, Miss Edna Davis. They were married April 16, 1913. Her parents are Evan and Jennie (Keltenback) Davis. Her father is a stationary engineer and is a member of the Methodist Church, the Knights of Pythias and Odd Fellow fraternities. In the Davis family were eleven children, and those now living are: E. Truman, John Russell, Wilma, Harry, Marcella, Glendon, Louise and Mrs. Williams.

WILLIAM ENOS DOLE, who inherited a talent for mechanical and technical work, is owner of the Oak Hill Foundry and Machine Works in Jackson County. He has built up an important industry, manufacturing a special line of brick making machinery, and has a business that is practically national in extent.

Mr. Dole was born in Greenup County, Kentucky, June 19, 1877, son of Samuel Ladstow and Nancy Ann (Allen) Dole and grandson of Eben Dole. The Dole family is of Holland-Dutch ancestry, and from Pennsylvania came to Ohio, went into Kentucky and later returned to this state. Eben Dole had the distinction of manufacturing the first brick in Southern Ohio, the first brick used in Portsmouth being made by him. In the course of subsequent reconstruction, brick taken from walks and foundations are found to bear his name. Samuel Ladstow Dole, who died in February, 1913, was a shipbuilder. He built steamboat hulls at Portsmouth, New Richmond and other places along the Ohio River. He was a member of the Methodist Church. He and his wife, who is still living, had six children: Minnie, who died in infancy; William E.; J. A., who married May Boggs and had seven children; Thomas, twin brother of J. A., died in infancy; Della and Nellie, twins, the latter dying in infancy, while Della is the wife of C. E. Whitt and has two children, Glenn and Howard.

William Enos Dole acquired his early education in district schools and the grade schools at Portsmouth. At the age of seventeen he went to work, but after that he continued his technical education by attending night schools and finished a course in mechanical engineering with the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pa. His technical studies were largely directed along the line of brick making and brick making machinery. Mr. Dole, in 1897, started at Portsmouth his shop for making and repairing all kinds of brick making machinery. Later, in 1901, he moved to Oak Hill and established a permanent plant under the name of the Oak Hill Foundry and Machine Works. The facilities of this industry are almost entirely devoted to the building of brick machinery. He holds several patents on such machinery. The Dole brick making machines, sold to brick plants all over the United States, Canada and some foreign countries, are designed to perform some of the important processes in making high grade



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brick. These machines repress, refinish, reface and size to a perfect uniform size and also put the name of the brick maker on them.

Mr. Dole is especially interested in schools in his home community, that being the chief object of his civic enthusiasm. He was put in the fourth class during the World war and was not called, but was active in the patriotic program at home. He is a member of the Methodist Church, belongs to the Country Club of Jackson, the Portsmouth Automobile Club, the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters, Odd Fellows and Modern Woodmen of America.

On December 26, 1900, Mr. Dole married at Portsmouth Miss Elizabeth Appel. She represents one of the old families of Portsmouth, her father having been in the hotel business there prior to his death. Her mother was Louise Charlotte (Runger) Appel. Of the thirteen children in the Appel family those now living are: Elizabeth, Ella, Lucy, Charles, Lewis, Andrew, John and Annie. Mr. and Mrs. Dole had three children, W. Enos, Jr., Anna Louise and John Edgar. The son, John Edgar, died at the age of fourteen years, his death being a heavy loss to his parents. The other son, W. Enos, Jr., graduated from the Oak Hill High School in 1921, and has since been associated with his father in the foundry and machine works and has also been studying electrical engineering. He plans to complete his technical education in Ohio State University.

ARTHUR LEE ERVIN, a hardware merchant and prominent citizen of Jackson, has spent his life in that community of Southern Ohio. He is a member of the Ervin Society, a family organization in the United States and Canada, with a membership of 20,000, all of whom recognize a common ancestor. In this country and in England the family record of the Ervins runs back fully four hundred years. One of the ancestors of the present generation of the family was a member of the body guard of the King of England.

Arthur Lee Ervin was born at Jackson, January 24, 1865, son of James L. and Myra S. (Phillips) Ervin. James L. Ervin for many years was in the lumber and timber business, and did contract sawing with a portable mill. He was killed in a boiler explosion at his saw mill. His widow died in November, 1922. James L. Ervin was active in public affairs in Jackson County, and was a member of the Masonic Order. He and his wife had four sons and three daughters: E. W. Ervin, who married Ada Miller and had one child, Fay; Arthur Lee; Mary Lillian, wife of Dr. J. S. Hunter and the mother of two children, Edgar and Ernestine; Lydia L., deceased; O. B. Ervin, who by his marriage to Marie Basquill has three children, Thomas, Paul and Robert; Hala, wife of Dr. E. C. Jackson, of Portsmouth, and the mother of two children, Lemoine and Sylvan; and Dr. Charles E., who married Carrie E. Walters and has two children, William and Bettie.

Arthur Lee Ervin attended public schools in Jackson, and the Morgan Academy there, and as a youth began his career at the coal mines, being a clerk, bookkeeper and later manager. He was identified with the coal industry for ten years, and then, in 1893, started for himself as a merchant, selling hardware, and continuously for thirty-one years has been one of the leaders in that line in Jackson County.

In November, 1883, Mr. Ervin married at Jackson Miss Mame Sutherland, daughter of Thomas P., and Marie (Pickrel) Sutherland. The Sutherland family is one of the old and prominent ones in Southern Ohio. Thomas P. Sutherland, who died about 1895, was a financial power at Jackson, being a banker and with extensive interests in iron and coal. Mrs. Ervin's sister Alice married Judge David Davis of Cincinnati, once a candidate for the nomination for governor of Ohio, and their four children were Lillian, Mabel, Edith and Dorothy. Her sister, Gertrude, became the wife of Dr. John F. Morgan, of Joplin, Missouri, and of this union there were the following children: Thomas, Max, Mary A., Francis and Carrie. Her sister, Stella, married Dr. Frank Quillan, a graduate of Harvard University and the University of Michigan, now at Washington as head of a department in the Veterans' Bureau.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. They had one daughter, Gladys, who is the wife of W. O. Michael, of Jackson, and they have a son, Robert Lee Michael. Mr. Ervin is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Board of Governors and one of the leaders in the Country Club. He belongs to the Jacksonian Club, is former president of the Chamber of Commerce and is vice president of the Iron Bank of Jackson. Particularly during the war he had a sustaining part in all patriotic movements, and at all times is interested in the general welfare. In politics he is a democrat in national affairs.

CHARLES H. WORKMAN. One of the old families of Ohio is that bearing the name of Workman, and its representatives are to be found in different sections of the commonwealth, although the founder of it in Ohio, Elias Workman, settled in Holes County, where Charles H. Workman, an attorney of Mansfield, whose name heads this review, was born April 23, 1859. The Workman family is of English origin, and for some time was located in Maryland, from whence Elias Workman, the grandfather of Charles H. Workman, came west and entered a large tract of land from the Government in what is now Holmes County.

The nineteenth century was just beginning; Ohio was still frontier country; and there were no provisions made for the instruction of the children. A well-educated man, Elias Workman in 1800 made an agreement with his neighbors that for four months of the year, when his farm duties left him at leisure, he would teach their children, and take his pay in bolts of cloth or produce of any kind, and through this barter gained the equivalent of fifty dollars a month. His son John Workman, father of Charles H. Workman, was born on his father's homestead about 1831, and he, too, was a teacher. The elder man encountered more difficulties in his scholastic labors, for he faced an absolute dearth of textbooks, so he had to make his own, and some of his carefully written pages, still preserved, prove him to have been a splendid penman. John Workman also was a farmer, and he died on this same farm when he was in his early '60s.

Charles H. Workman was reared on the Workman farm in Holmes County, which became the site of a camp of Federal soldiers in 1863, at the time of the Holmes County rebellion. With the other children Charles H. Workman was sent to the Smithville Academy in Wayne County, Ohio, where he had the good fortune to be under the instruction of J. B. Eberley, a noted educator. This was the last of the old New England academies that had been established in the state from which came so many men later illustrious in the history of the state and nation. So well prepared was Mr. Workman in this academy that he was able to begin teaching in the Normal School at Ada, Ohio, occupying the chair of literature, rhetoric and civil government, and from 1883 to 1893 he maintained this connection with the institution. During this period, however, he was studying law, and taking an active part in local politics.

In 1894 Mr. Workman was elected to the Legislature of his native state, and served during the two sessions of the first administration of President McKinley. Mr. Workman was author of two important measures while in the Legislature, one of them the Workman School Law, which recognized the township as the school unit, and which became the basis of the present school law; the other being the law which established a board of arbitration to settle disputes between capital and labor, one of the first moves in this direction in any state. The youngest member of the Assembly, Mr. Workman consulted Governor McKinley with reference to the latter bill before he drew it up, and was advised by that dignitary to submit the matter to Attorney-General Richards, whose views coincided with those of Mr. Workman. As this bill was introduced over thirty years ago, Mr. Workman was a pioneer in this line of legislation.

It was in 1894 that Mr. Workman located permanently at Mansfield, and for five years was secretary of the board of managers of the Ohio State Reformatory. He was made a member of the board of examiners of applicants for admission to the bar, and held that office for many years. Probably no one man in Ohio has carried more legal questions originating in the local courts to the higher tribunals where precedent has been established than he. Independent and advanced in thought, new points have been fought out upon original lines, and in this way he has largely contributed to present legal practice, the law now practically demanding his entire attention. He is legal adviser for several important enterprises.

Ever a republican, the Blaine campaign found him making stump speeches, and there has not been a campaign since then that has not had his services. In 1896 he was sent by the National Executive Committee of his party into the West to beard the "silver-tongued orator" on his native heath, and made gold-standard speeches all over those states considered strongholds of the free-silver doctrine. Having made a special study of economics, social conditions and civil government he was well prepared to meet any opposition, and so eloquent and convincing was he that although some of his addresses lasted for three hours, he held his audiences enthralled. No matter what questions were put to him he was ready with an answer, and he was very active in what was known as "Mark Hanna's Educational Campaign."

Earlier in life Mr. Workman desired nothing more than to become an editor, and he did conduct a local paper. His institute and normal labors made him a popular figure during a number of years, and he added to those laurels on the lecture platform in connection with educational work.

Mr. Workman was married to Mary Sheedy, who had been a teacher in the Miami Valley, and author of "An Americanized Singer in Paris." She is quite familiar with the romance languages, having spent some years in Paris with her two daughters, Helen and Florence, who were both educated there in modern languages and music. Both were accepted by the director of grand opera in Paris, but their studies were interrupted by the outbreak of the World war, although they have continued studying systematically ever since. Long before the United States became involved in the war Mr. Workman had taken a decided stand publicly, asserting that no self-respecting citizen could be neutral. Upon the return of Company M of the National Guard from service on the Mexican border its membership dwindled to about forty men. With them as a nucleus he was constantly working, and after holding "open house" for ten days in the park, and having almost continuous speaking, the company was recruited to 180 men, who responded when the call came, and no Ohio county has greater cause for pride in its "doughboys" than Richland. In Central Park, Mansfield, is erected his design of "The American Doughboy," a figure in Carrara marble mounted upon a granite boulder, seeming to say "The American Doughboy could fight in a just cause in a foreign land, but his feet were forever on the rock of his native hills." It faces Lincoln Highway, and is viewed with interest by tourists from coast to coast.

Thomas Kyer, former postmaster of Jackson, is one of the earnest and high minded citizens of Jackson County, and has won his way to substantial honor in his home community by many years of patient industry and on the basis of personal character and personal influence.

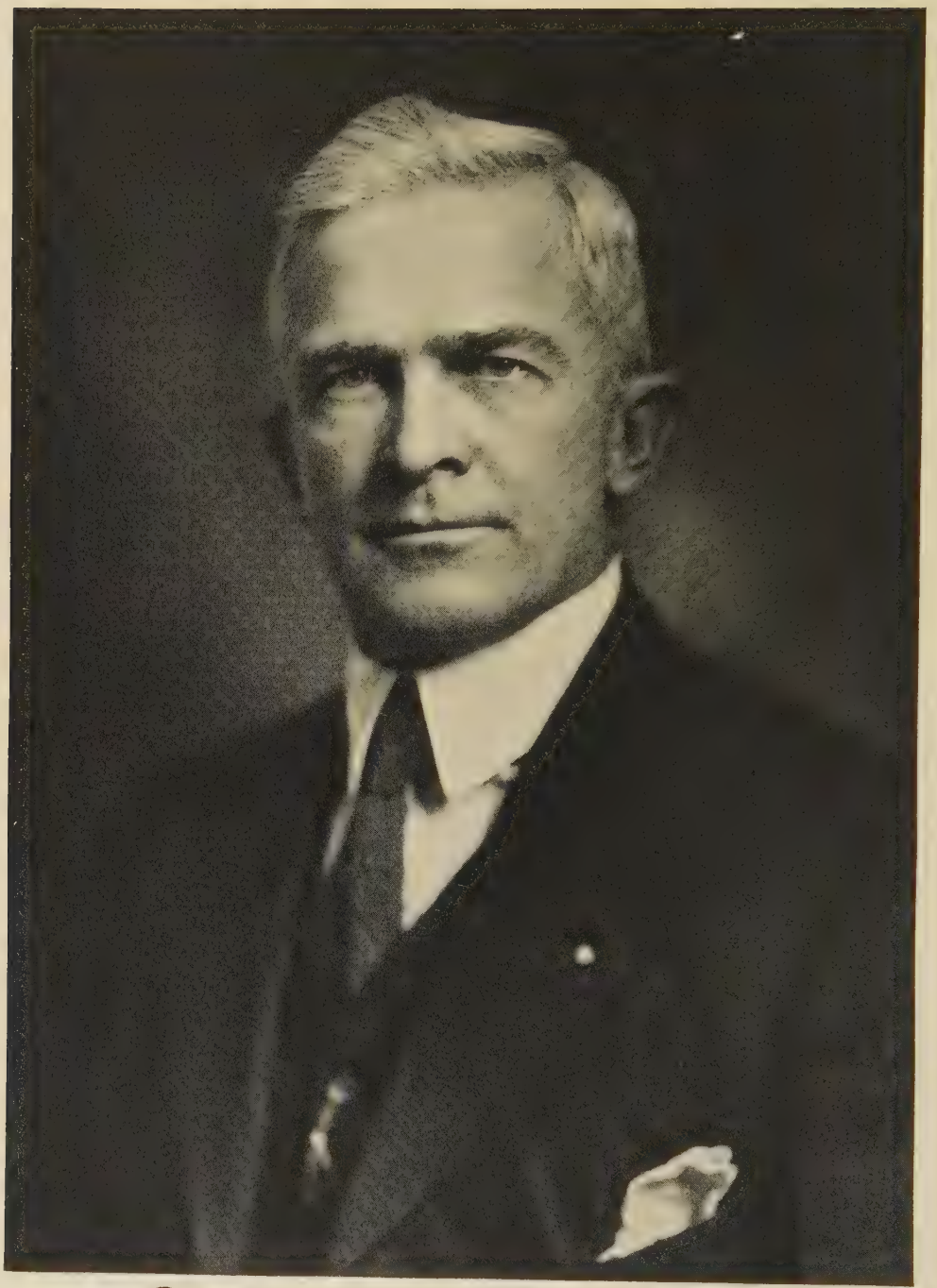
He was born at Jackson, September 19, 1880, son of Thomas and Ellen (Rudder) Kyer. His grandparents were George and Sarah Kyer and his maternal grandparents, William and Ellen Rudder. Both the Kyer and the Rudder families came from the vicinity of Greenbrier County in what is now West Virginia to Ohio during the forties. Thomas Kyer in early life was a coal miner, was an active member of the Methodist Church. He died in 1894. His wife, Ellen Rudder Kyer, died in 1890. They had four children: Priscilla, who married David Trego and had eight children; Teressa, unmarried; Thomas; and Tena, who married Harry Thompson.

Thomas Kyer did not have the privilege of attending the common schools beyond the age of fourteen. His father died about that time. Mr. Kyer drove a team for W. T. Washam, local grocer at Jackson, and was connected with the Washam business in increasing responsibilities for twenty years, for several years having active management of the business.

In the meantime Mr. Kyer became interested in local politics. As a democrat he was appointed postmaster under President Wilson, and held that office for a period of eight years. Since leaving the postmastership he has engaged in the insurance and real estate business, and has made a marked success of this work. He was chairman of the City Democratic Committee, a member of the County Committee, the Board of Elections and a trustee of his township. Mr. Kyer is affiliated with the Elks and Red Men and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On December 18, 1904, at Oak Hill, Ohio, he married Miss Agnes Thomas, daughter of John and Ellen C. (Allen) Thomas. Her father, who died in July, 1915, served as postmaster at Oak Hill for sixteen years, was a farmer and active in republican politics. He was affiliated with the Masons, Knights of Pythias and the Methodist Church. In the Thomas family were six children: Susie, who married David Morgan and has two children; Emma, who married Thomas Dunn and had eight children; Mrs. Kyer; Nellie, wife of Harry Washam and the mother of two children; Bessie, who married Clinton Jones and had two children; Gladys, who married Floyd Smith and had one child. Mr. and Mrs. Kyer are the parents of two children, named Katherine and Thomas, Jr.

Hayden D. Davis, active associate of Mr. Thomas Kyer in the real estate and insurance firm of Kyer and Davis at Jackson, was born at Jackson, December 19, 1886, and represents one of the substantial families of this county. His grandparents were David and Elizabeth Davis and Daniel Williams. His parents were Richard and Elizabeth (Williams) Davis. His mother died September 24, 1923. Richard Davis has been a coal miner, and is a member of the Welsh Presbyterian Church. The four children in the Davis family were: Eunice, wife of D. E. Morgan; Miss



Edwin D. Ford.

Mary; Hayden D.; and Arthur, who married Emily Levisey.

Hayden D. Davis graduated from the Jackson High School in 1905, and soon afterward became a clerk in the local postoffice, and was identified with work in that office until 1919, throughout the period of Mr. Thomas Kyer's administration as postmaster. During the past five years he and Mr. Kyer have been associated in the insurance business.

Mr. Davis is a Presbyterian, is a Royal Arch, Council Degree and Knight Templar Mason and Elk. He married, June 28, 1918, Margaret Bushman, daughter of Frederick and Frederica Bushman. Her father was a coal miner. In the Bushman family were five children: Lena, who married Frank Mossman, and has three children; Mary, wife of A. L. Walters; Mrs. Davis; Charles, who married Margaret Bushman; and John. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Davis are Margaret, Francis and Hayden, Jr.

ELIJAH T. DANDO, M. D. Without interruption to his good work as a skilled physician and surgeon at Wellston, Doctor Dando during the quarter of a century he has been a professional man there has also been active in local affairs, is former postmaster of Wellston, and is a citizen who has won his own way since early boyhood.

Doctor Dando was born August 7, 1876, in County Durham, England, and when ten years of age he came from England to the United States with his parents, Thomas and Ann Dando. His grandparents were all born and reared and lived out their lives in Great Britain. Thomas and Ann Dando both died in 1901. He was a miner in the old country, and after coming to the United States in 1886 he became a coal operator. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and active in both church and Sunday School. In the family were the following children: Thomas, George (deceased), Fred, Lizzie, Ann, Flora, Deborah and Jane.

Dr. Elijah T. Dando grew up at Coalton, attended public schools there, and subsequently completed a course in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. He taught school three years in the county, and as a student of medicine first attended the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville, and then entered Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, the oldest medical schools in the United States. He was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1898, and continuously since then for over a quarter of a century has been in the general practice of his profession at Wellston. He is a member of the County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

For a number of years he has been one of the leaders in the democratic party and much interested in public affairs in his home city. He has been chairman of the executive committee of his party in Jackson County, and his service as postmaster was the eight years corresponding with the two terms of President Wilson. Doctor Dando is an attendant of the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Elks, Eagles, Rotary Club and Country Club. A talented singer, possessing a fine baritone voice, he was for sometime the leader of the community chorus, which took all the major prizes at the Eisteddfod, in Southern Ohio. Doctor Dando married, December 24, 1905, Miss Oma Handley, daughter of Albert M. and Flora L. (Oney) Handley. Her parents live at Wellston. He father has been a miner and later a grocery merchant in Wellston.

The five children of Doctor and Mrs. Dando are: Joseph, Bettie, Catherine, George and Mary Jane.

ADELBERT E. SHATTUCK has been a leader in the commercial affairs of Wellston for over thirty years. He is former postmaster, is vice president of the Wellston Manufacturing Company, and is a native of Ohio, representing two old New England families that settled in the Western reserve in pioneer times.

Mr. Shattuck was born at Chardon, Ohio, July 12, 1867, son of Benjamin and Mary A. (Downing) Shattuck. His grandparents were George and Eliza Shattuck and Alvin and Sarah Downing. The Shattucks came from the vicinity of Boston, Massachusetts, to Ohio early in the last century, settling in the Western Reserve, near Cleveland. The Downings came from Vermont, also of rugged New England ancestry. Benjamin Shattuck was a farmer in Northern Ohio, and after retiring lived in Painesville, where he died November, 11, 1910. He was a member of the Congregational Church. His wife died March 16, 1916.

A. E. Shattuck, only child of his parents, finished his high school course at Chardon in 1885, and soon afterward went South and was in the general mercantile business at South Pittsburgh, near the City of Chattanooga, Tennessee. He remained there five years, and returning North located at Wellston in 1891. Mr. Shattuck for fifteen years was a merchant in Wellston, selling out after his appointment as postmaster in 1906. He served as postmaster eight years, and in July, 1914, engaged in the insurance and real estate business. He discontinued his insurance work in 1922, in which year he became assistant manager of the Wellston Manufacturing Company. He is now vice president and a director of this important local industry. The company owns patents and manufactures what is known as the sectional revolving ball bearing "Eclipse" steel stands, bins and cases, now being widely used in stores for holding nails and other similar heavy merchandise. The company also manufactures "Senator" furnace and gas furnaces, heaters and radiators and does a general line of foundry and machine work. In the plant at Wellston are made all the castings for the J. Fay & Company, manufacturers of wood working machinery and sewer basins for the City of Chicago. In addition to this business Mr. Shattuck is a director of the Citizens Building Loan Company and a directory of the Sherman Theatre of Chillicothe.

He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Elks and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a leader in republican politics. Mr. Shattuck married at Clifton, West Virginia, November 18, 1891, Miss Alice L. Stevenson, daughter of David L. and Sarah E. (Lasley) Stevenson. Her father, who died about 1905, was a salt manufacturer at Clifton, West Virginia, and later a merchant at Wellston. He was a Mason and a Methodist. There were four children in the Stevenson family: John, deceased; Hiram L.; Miss Sadie E.; and Mrs. Shattuck.

EDWIN D. FORD. Among the men of Mansfield whose large transactions in real estate have stimulated business and contributed to the growth of the city and its environs, the leader perhaps is Edwin D. Ford. Aside from such distinction as he may have earned as one of the largest landholders in the city, he is also a member of one of the community's best-known families.

Mr. Ford was born at Mansfield, January 23, 1872, a son of Patrick P. and Mary C. (Stone) Ford. His grandfather was the Hon. Thomas H. Ford, a prominent attorney, who was lieutenant-governor of Ohio from 1856 to 1858, serving during the gubernatorial administration of Hon. Salmon P. Chase. Thomas H. Ford was the original captain of Company C of the Third Ohio Regiment, which was organized in 1846 and mustered out at New Orleans June 23, 1847. Judge Osborne, upon the death of Judge Milton W. Worden, in referring to attorneys who had passed away, said of Ford: "A Ford of

grand stature, of great physical strength, with intellectual endowments, if aroused, equal to any emergency, but for the most time inactive and useless because not used.'' General Brinkerhoff wrote: ''When I was a student of law in 1850-51, the giants of the Mansfield bar said of Ford: 'Thomas H. Ford was at his best and was a man of great natural powers, but was indolent and careless and did not make the mark he might have made at the bar.' ''

Patrick P. (Pat) Ford was one of the best-known and best-liked men of Mansfield. For many years he operated a grocery, but later, for at least twenty years, was superintendent of the Sherman-Heinman Park. He died February 28, 1922, aged seventy-five years, his wife having passed away two years before. One of the leading bankers when asked who was the richest man at Mansfield answered: ''Pat Ford.'' While he did not accumulate property, he always paid his debts, had a wide circle of warm friends and got the greatest possible amount of enjoyment out of life. He was a loyal citizen in every respect and others reaped richly out of his life. For years he was active in the Humane Society.

Edwin D. Ford, after some years of association with his father in the grocery business, began to deal in horses, and soon became the best-known horse trader and shipper in the region. His early training had been to the effect that he should save at least a few pennies out of every dollar he acquired and to keep out of debt, but after trying this system until he was past middle life he came to the conclusion that this policy would not yield him great wealth. He thereupon began to assume obligations. His investments on borrowed money yielded large returns, and, attaining added confidence as well as wealth, he increased the scope of his enterprises. For twenty years he has been a trader, and no deal is too large for him to handle. Ever keeping his credit above reproach, it has not been difficult for him to finance large deals, most of which have yielded handsome returns. Mr. Ford is now the largest borrower in the city and one of Mansfield's leading landholders. He is a member of the Baptist Church and is on the board of the Friendly House. He also has numerous civic, social and fraternal connections.

Mr. Ford married Miss Anna Snyder, whose father, Henry Snyder, was for years the proprietor of a grocery at Mansfield. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Ford: Kathryn, the wife of Forest Bancroft, of Mansfield; Thomas E., a graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and now engaged in the automobile business in Ashland, Ohio, a dealer in Dodge cars, and Mary Alice, attending high school at Mansfield.

Michael Effinger. With the exception of three years, the entire industrial career of Michael Effinger has been passed in connection with the postoffice at Lancaster. For more than forty years he has assisted in handling the mails, and in 1923 a reward for his long and faithful service was received in the form of appointment by President Harding for the office of postmaster, which he now occupies with credit to himself and to the benefit of the community.

Postmaster Effinger was born at Lancaster, Ohio, August 2, 1865, and is a son of Dr. Michael and Elmira (Catlin) Effinger. On both sides of the family he is descended from Revolutionary soldiers, and the Effinger family is one of the old ones of Virginia, having lived for five generations in the Shenandoah Valley. The Catlins came originally from near Troy, New York. His grandparents were Samuel and Mary (Noble) Effinger. A member of the Noble family came from Maryland in 1811 and settled on a farm adjoining the town of Tarlton, Ohio. Mary (Noble) Effinger was a sister of Col. John Noble.

Dr. Michael Effinger was born at Lancaster, Ohio, December 11, 1819, and after attending the public schools and academy at this place entered Miami University, from which he was graduated with honors. He studied medicine in the offices of Doctors Boerstlers and Edwards, leading physicians of Lancaster during their day, subsequently attended lectures, and finally graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia. Following his graduation he returned to Lancaster, where he opened an office and for fifty years was a most successful practicing physician and honorable and useful citizen. He served the Union during the Civil war, when he formed a close friendship with General Sherman, they continuing as correspondents throughout life. Doctor Effinger was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the faith of which he died January 5, 1890, after having been an invalid for many years. In 1846 Doctor Effinger married Miss Elmira Catlin, a daughter of Augustus Catlin and a niece of Darius Tallmadge, and she died in 1900, having been the mother of six children: Tella, who married Charles C. Duncan and has four children; Noble, who died in infancy; Addie, who married George B. Webb; Mary, who died in 1883; Elizabeth, who died in 1905; and Michael.

Michael Effinger was given the advantages of attendence at the grade and high schools of Lancaster, and after his graduation entered the Lancaster postoffice, accepting a minor clerkship. During the years that have passed he has remained in this office with the exception of three years, faithfully performing the duties assigned to him and gradually winning promotion. In October, 1923, he received appointment as postmaster from President Harding, one of the last official acts of that executive. Mr. Effinger entered the postoffice during the first administration of President Grover Cleveland, and has continued therein through the various other administrations, but has never taken any part in politics. He belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was one of the charter members of the Country Club, but gave up his membership therein. While he is of a very retiring disposition, he is courteous and affable in the discharge of his duties, and is fond of the companionship of his fellows, being a member of the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Effinger is unmarried.

Henry A. Alspach. The year 1924 finds Mr. Alspach giving a most progressive and effective administration of the office of mayor of the City of Lancaster, judicial center of his native county.

Mayor Alspach was born on his father's homestead farm in Bloom Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, and the date of his nativity was December 8, 1877. His father is still concerned with farm industry in this country, but his mother passed away in the year 1912. He is the eldest in a family of three children: Lester, the second son, married Jennie Rowles and they have a daughter, Mildred; Oscar D., married Gale Carnes, and they have four children. Jacob Alspach is an earnest communicant of the Lutheran Church, as was also his wife. He is one of the venerable and honored native sons of Fairfield County, his father having come to Ohio from Pennsylvania and having been one of the sterling pioneer citizens of Fairfield County at the time of his death, in 1896. He was Henry Alspach, and his marriage was solemnized after he came to Ohio. His wife, Matilda, died in 1889. The Alspach family was for many generations one of prominence and influence in Germany, and a street in the City of Berlin perpetuates the family name.

Henry A. Alspach gained his early education in

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the public school of his home district, and he continued his active alliance with farm industry until 1900, when he became a salesman for the Jas. H. Goldcamp Hardware Company of Lancaster. He continued his association with this representative business concern for the long period of thirteen years, besides having given attention to the handling of automobiles. While with this company he also served four years as city treasurer. Upon severing his connection with the Goldcamp Hardware Company Mr. Alspach here engaged in the retail grocery business, and he continued this until 1922, when he sold the stock and business. In 1923 he was elected mayor of Lancaster, as champion of law enforcement, and in his administration he has fully justified the popular confidence that led to his election. While he has insistently worked for the enforcement of law, including that pertaining to prohibition of the liquor traffic, he has also been sponsor for progressive municipal policies that have worked greatly to the benefit of his home city. Mayor Alspach is an active and valued member of the local Kiwanis Club, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the United Commercial Travelers. He and his wife are communicants of the English Lutheran Church.

At Lancaster, on the 8th of March, 1900, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Alspach and Miss Della Bookman, elder of the two children of Jacob and Eliza Bookman, who still maintain their home in Fairfield County, where Mr. Bookman has been a substantial representative of farm enterprise. Thersa, younger of the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Bookman, is the wife of John Graybill, and they have two children, Ruth and Ralph. Mr. and Mrs. Alspach have three children: Edna, who is the wife of Lester Pierce; Hester, who is the wife of Clay Groves; and Pauline, who is, in 1924, a student in the Lancaster High School.

H. W. Wolford, county auditor of Fairfield County, is one of the leading men of Lancaster, and one who stands very high in public estimation, having won approval from his fellow citizens during the years he has lived here. He is a native son of the county, having been born in Hocking Township, March 12, 1867. His grandfather, Adam Wolford, a native of Virginia, founded the family in Ohio, to which locality he came about 1812 and afterward was married in Ohio to Susan Slaine, a native of Ohio, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. The maternal grandfather of H. W. Wolford was Andrew Groves. He married Mary Alspach, and they came to Ohio from Pennsylvania about 1818.

John B. Wolford, father of H. W. Wolford, was a wagonmaker in early life, also a manufacturer of hominy, and he retired from his vocation in 1914. He was always active in local affairs, was a staunch democrat and served as township treasurer for five years. In religious faith he was a Lutheran. His death occurred in April, 1923. His wife, formerly Caroline Groves, died in 1902. They had four children, of whom H. W. Wolford was the eldest, the others being as follows: Thomas J., who married Edith Kern, has one child, Donald; George E., who married Bertha M. Smith, had one child, Leon; and Alice, who married Elliott Pence, has one child, Wolford.

H. W. Wolford first attended the local district schools, and later was a student of the Northern University at Ada, Ohio, where he was a classmate of Senator Willis and Judge Wanamaker. Having prepared himself for the profession of teaching he entered upon his chosen work, and for the succeeding twenty-six years labored in the educational field, in village and township schools. During that period he held several offices, serving as clerk of Hocking Township, and assessor of the same township. For eight years he was deputy state supervisor of elections; for three years he was deputy recorder of the county; for three and one-half years he held the office of deputy sealer of weights and measures; and in 1918 was elected county auditor. During the four years he held that office he made so excellent a record that he was reelected, in 1922, to succeed himself for another four-year term.

In October, 1916, Mr. Wolford married, at Lancaster, Elizabeth Baumgardner, a daughter of Henry and Catherine (Crook) Baumgardner, the former of whom died in 1914 and the latter in 1908. For years Mr. Baumgardner was a blacksmith and farmer at Sugar Grove. Mr. and Mrs. Baumgardner had the following children: John S., who died in 1917, married Clara Fulton, and they had five chlidren; William M., who married Agnes Sharp, has six children; Hocking Hunter, who is unmarried; Agnes, who married Edward H. Hill, has one son, Clyde; George H., who married Maud Edwards; Talmage, who married Nora Miessie, has three children, Mildred, Marvine and Miessie; and Mrs. Wolford. Mr. and Mrs. Wolford have no children. Mr. Wolford identifies himself with the Lutheran Church, and Mrs. Wolford with the Reform Church. Mr. Wolford is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Royal Arcanum. Very much interested in historical matters, Mr. Wolford has an extensive collection of books upon such subjects, some of which are very valuable. He is also proud of his garden, a very fine one. Genial, wholesouled and hospitable, he knows everyone in the county, and is one of the best-known and well-liked local figures.

T. R. Barnes founded the Barnes Manufacturing Company at Mansfield, promoting the original company in 1895, the capitalization of $100,000. The industry has grown and steadily prospered, and in 1920 the capital was raised to $500,000. Mr. Barnes from the beginning has been secretary and general manager of the business. The president is C. H. Voegele, of the old and well-known family of that name in Richland County. Mr. Voegele succeeded the original president, R. G. Hancock. The Barnes Manufacturing Company is a concern that has had much to do with making Mansfield known to the outside world as a source of manufactured products. Its output consists of house and farm pumps, hand and power pumps for spraying of all kinds, also pumps operated by electric and gas power, and pumping machinery for oil wells and highway road construction. A few years ago a line of portable power pumping units was added for contractors' uses. The company also manufacture sanitary porcelain enameled ware. In earlier years the industry employed about fifty, and the average payroll is now for two hundred and twenty-five men. The business has an annual output valued at $1,000,000, and the investment in the plant and equipment is approximately $700,000.

An able business man, a citizen of broad public spirit, T. R. Barnes has been a notable figure in the life and affairs of Mansfield. He was born near Salem, in Mahoning County, Ohio, on a farm, son of R. A. Barnes, a native of Maryland, who married Avarilla Ann Gilbert. In 1858 they settled on a farm near Salem, Ohio. T. R. Barnes had a public school education, and at the age of twenty-one came to Mansfield. For four years he was an employe of the Adams Express Company and then became

secretary of the Humphreys Manufacturing Company, a concern that manufactured pumps. While there Mr. Barnes acquired his practical knowledge of pump manufacture, and with that experience and some capital he promoted the Barnes Manufacturing Company in 1895.

Mr. Barnes has become responsibly connected with a number of Mansfield's progressive institutions. He is a director of the Mansfield Savings and Trust Company, director of the Mansfield Lock Washer Company, director of the Superior Brass Company, director and vice president of the Buckeye Tempered Copper & Brass Company, vice president and director of the Citizens Savings and Loan Company, director of the Richland Mutual Insurance Company. He has been a contributor to all worthy public causes and acted as chairman of the Community Chest during the war. He is a member of the County Executive Committee of the republican party, is president of the City Club, for six years was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, also member of City Council, and is a York and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

Mr. Barnes married Miss Lida R. Scott, daughter of George Scott, a veteran employe of the Pennsylvania Railway Company living at Mansfield. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes have one daughter, Ruth, wife of James C. Gorman, who is a graduate of Lehigh University and is treasurer of the Barnes Manufacturing Company. Mrs. Gorman is a graduate of Smith College at Northampton, Massachusetts, and is prominently identified with social work at Mansfield, being active in the Young Women's Christian Association, and is president of the Friendly House in that city.

Denver C. Matz. Both as an educator and county official, Denver C. Matz has won appreciation from the public, and is accounted as one of the best-educated men of this locality, and one whose conception of civic responsibility is high. He was born near Clearport, Madison Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, May 5, 1887, and belongs to an old and honored family of this country. His great-grandfather, Samuel Matz, lived and died in Pennsylvania, and there the grandfather, Curtis Matz, was born. He left his native county of Burks, and came to Ohio about the time of the construction of the Pennsylvania Railroad through Fairfield County. With the outbreak of the war between the North and the South, he enlisted in the Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of hostilities. His wife was named Priscilla, and they reared a family of fourteen children, all of whom were born in Ohio, and they all lived to maturity. On his mother's side Denver C. Matz traces back to honorable ancestors as well. His maternal great-grandfather, Henry R. Risinger, came to Ohio in 1851, from Center County, Pennsylvania, and settled in Madison Township, Fairfield County. His son, the grandfather of Mr. Matz of this review, was John Risinger, and he was born in Center County, Pennsylvania, but his wife, Nancy, was born in Ohio.

The father of Denver C. Matz, Daniel Matz, is a farmer of Madison Township, his home being in the vicinity of the United Brethren Church, of which he is a very active member. He is devoted to his home and family. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary Margaret Risinger, is also living, and they have two children, the younger being Stanley N., who married Imo Vandagriff, and has four children, Marvine, Marjorie, Joseph and Mildred.

The district and high school of Clearport furnished the educational training of Denver C. Matz, and, having secured a teacher's certificate, he began teaching school when he reached his majority, and continued this work for twelve years, first in the district schools and later in the graded schools. In 1922 he was elected county recorder, for a term of two years, and assumed the duties of his office in September, 1923. While he was engaged in teaching he also assisted his father on the farm, but his present official duties now occupy him to the exclusion of anything else.

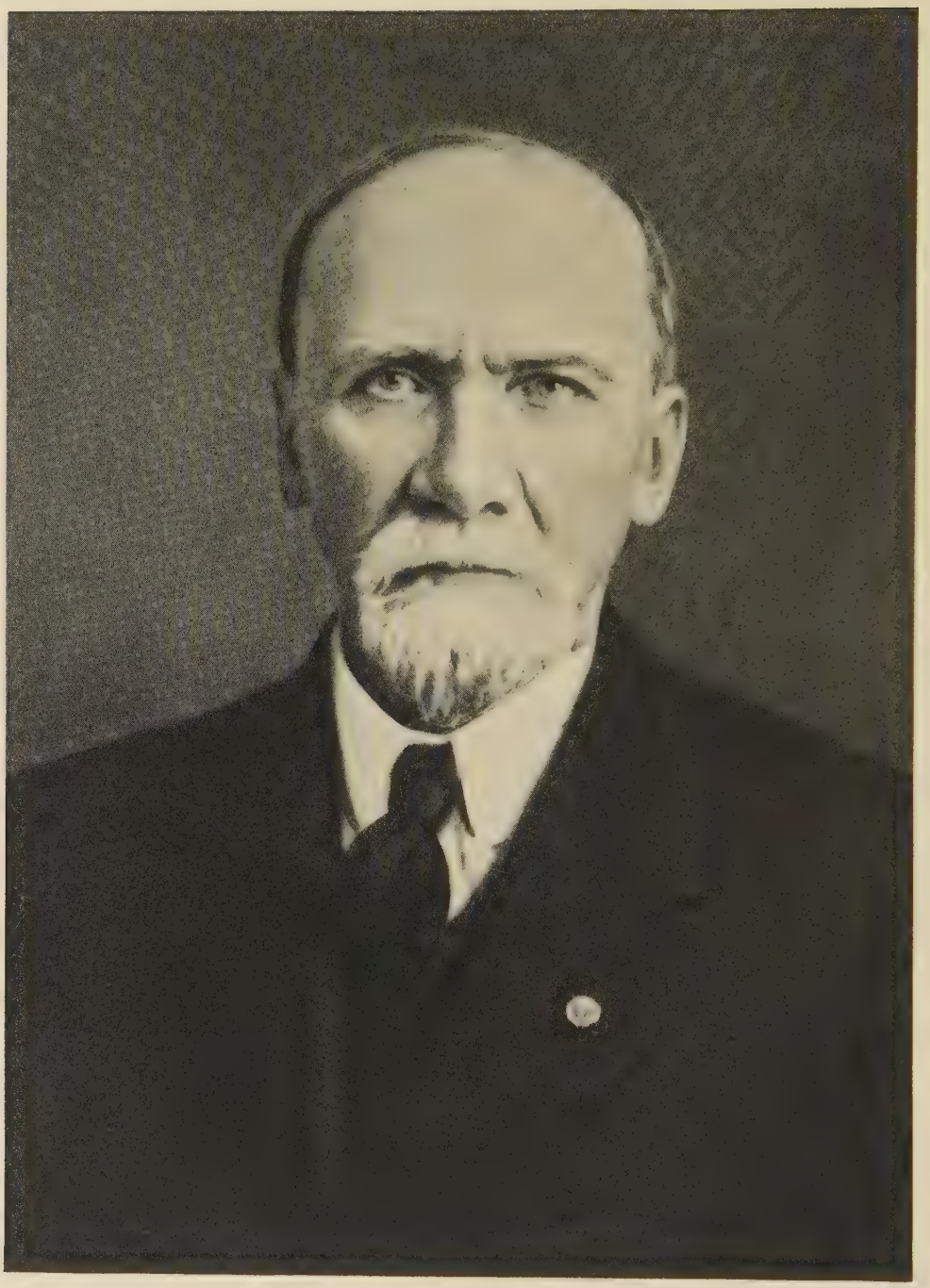
On June 6, 1906, Mr. Matz was first married to Miss Eveline Bussert, who died March 3, 1920, having borne her husband three children now living and one who died at two and one-half years, the former being Marguerite, Ramond C. and Marcella. Mrs. Matz was a daughter of the late George and Samantha Bussert. Mr. Matz subsequently married Miss Nellie Wilson, a daughter of Charles B. and Sadie Wilson, both of whom survive. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have had the following children born to them: Ethel, who married Dors Wilkinson, has two children, Frederick and Perry, and Leslie, Harold, James, Rosanna, George and Mabel, all of whom are unmarried, and Mrs. Matz. Mr. Matz has no children by his second marriage. Mrs. Matz was reared on her father's farm, and was brought up in the faith of the Lutheran Church, to which her parents belong, and to which both she and her husband also belong. Mr. Matz is a member of the Knights of Pythias, Loyal Order of Moose, the Pleasant Grange, the Fish and Game Association, and for the past two years has been secretary of the Democratic Club. A man of attainments, he is handling the affairs of his office in a most capable and satisfactory manner, and has the records in first class order in every detail.

Mrs. Matz's grandfather, George Wilson, now eighty-nine years old, is still living, and he is a veteran of the war of the '60s. His wife, whose first name is Gertrude, is also living. They were married in Ohio, and are natives of this state.

Harley M. Whitcraft. One of the outstanding members of the Hocking County bar is Harley M. Whitcraft. His name is favorably known in every precinct of the county, and his reputation as an able lawyer is by no means confined to Hocking. This is the success of his mature years, preceded by a long period of driving and self denial while getting his education and preparing himself for the opportunities he is now facing.

He was born on a farm four miles south of Logan, August 5, 1880, son of Isaac and Elizabeth (Lanning) Whitcraft. His grandfather, William Whitcraft, came to Ohio from Ireland. Isaac Whitcraft devoted his active career to farming, making a success of that industry and is now living retired at Logan at the age of seventy years. He has been a republican since casting his first vote, and is a member of the United Brethren Church. Isaac Whitcraft's wife, Elizabeth, is the daughter of T. K. Lanning, the Lannings likewise being old settlers of Hocking County. They had four children: Harley M.; Thomas, a resident of Columbus; Merline E.; and Jennie May, wife of O. A. Price, of Fort Fairfield.

Harley M. Whitcraft lived out in the country during his boyhood, studied his first lesson in a little red schoolhouse, and it was a studious disposition and a certain earnestness of good behavior that first marked him out among the boys of his neighborhood as having a future. He acquired his advance education in Otterbein College at Westerville, Ohio. For seven years he was a teacher in rural districts, and in the meantime was reading law in the office of Wright and Pettit. Mr. Whitcraft was admitted to the bar in December, 1903. The following two years he practiced in partnership with Eugene Wright. The process of dissolving that partnership was a very simple one, each taking an office chair and two or



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three law books as his individual share of the firm. Since then Mr. Whitcraft has conducted an individual practice, and for some years has been busy with an important clientage in probate and corporation law.

He was elected prosecuting attorney of Hocking County in 1912. That was the year of the progressive movement and the split in republican party rank. Hocking County is normally democratic, but Mr. Whitcraft's candidacy appealed to the majority of voters and he was elected by a margin of twelve hundred votes. Two years later, without any effort on his part, he was reelected by a greatly increased majority. For ten years he also served as city solicitor, was for a number of years a member of the Board of Education and is now president of the Rotary Club. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Maccabees.

Mr. Whitcraft in June, 1901, while still a country school teacher and law student, married Miss Florence Hamblin, daughter of N. W. Hamblin, of Logan. Mrs. Whitcraft is a graduate of the Logan High School and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Whitcraft is actively identified with the United Brethern Church at Logan. Mr. Whitcraft's professional success is reflected in the investments he has made in land. He is owner of a number of farms, and his profitable hobby is farming and trading in live stock. His favorite country place is known as Repose, comprising eighty acres and located two miles southwest of Logan. That is his retreat from the heavy cares of law practice, and he has expended a large amount of money in introducing high grade live stock and developing the fruit growing possibilities of the place.

Charles H. Keynes, since early youth has been identified with the flour milling industry at Logan, and is proprietor of a mill that has been turning out a high class product for over a generation. He is the son of a miller, and the family have had extensive business interests in Hocking County for many years.

His father, Robert W. Keynes, was born in the South of England, in 1832, learned the milling trade there, and at the age of twenty-one, in 1853, came to the United States. After several years in Columbus he located at Logan. He worked at the Falls Mill, and then with Jacob Keller and John Wellman as partners engaged in the milling business at Logan under the name of J. Keller & Company, and later formed a partnership with John Wellman in the firm of Keynes and Wellman, having bought out the interest of Jacob Keller. The mill burned and was rebuilt in 1886. Robert W. Keynes was a thoroughly practical miller, and under his guidance a roller process was installed and other equipment added to keep up the business in advance of the time. He died in 1894. He was a member of the Church of England, was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias, attended the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, and became a republican in politics. Robert W. Keynes married Rosanna Frasch, who was born in 1838, and died in 1896. They had four children: Fannie E., of Logan; William; Charles H., and Alma, wife of Charles Rectenwald, of Logan.

After their father's death William and Charles H. Keynes bought the Wellman interests, and since then the milling business has been conducted under the firm name of Keynes Brothers. William Keynes was one of the prominent men of affairs in Hocking County. He was born December 31, 1860, and died March 19, 1920. In addition to his interest in the milling business he was president of the McGovern Shoe Company of Logan. He married Ella Westernhaver.

Charles H. Keynes was born at Logan, August 11, 1863, and he and his brother were educated in the Logan public schools. William took a business course at Dayton, while Charles finished his commercial education in Columbus. As a boy he earned money by working out the road tax for other people, and did other jobs. At the age of seventeen he took his place in the mill, learning every phase of the miller's art. He gives the mill his active management, and has succeeded in making its product widely known and readily distributed throughout this section of Ohio. The two principal brands of flour are the Purity and Valley Pride.

Mr. Keynes' brother William served several times on the City Council. Charles Keynes is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Grotto and Mystic Shrine, and has served as chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias. He and his family are Presbyterians. He married Miss Lucy M. Moore, daughter of Wilson P. Moore. She was born in Star Township, Hocking County. They have two children, Robert W. and Lucille W. Lucille is the wife of K. W. Kitchen, an attorney at Cleveland. Robert W. is now attending Ohio State University.

Henry Wentz III. There is much of significance and inspiration in the remarkable career of this venerable and honored citizen of Shelby, Richland County. At the time of this writing, in the spring of 1923, he is eighty-three years of age, but he is still active in the directing of business affairs of broad scope and importance and has the mental and physical vitality and ambition that challenge the years that have been recorded in his life journey. Here is old age as it should be, and Mr. Wentz is proving in a most emphatic sense that his strength is as the number of his days and will not tamely submit to inactivity. He is president of the Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Company of Shelby, of which he was one of the founders. He is a director of the Citizens Bank of Shelby, and he was a director also of the Shelby Building & Loan Company and the Sutter Furniture Company of Shelby. Still further interest attaches to his life record by reason of his being a native son of Richland County and one of its gallant representatives as a soldier in the Civil war. Of his connection with the upbuilding of the now large and prosperous business of the Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Company due record is given in the review of that institution appearing elsewhere in this publication.

On a farm in Cass Township, three miles northeast of Shelby, Richland County, Ohio, Henry Wentz was born December 9, 1839. His father, Henry Wentz II, passed the most of his life in this county, where he became a substantial farmer. His father, Henry Wentz I, was a native of York County, Pennsylvania, and died in Perry County, that state. Henry Wentz II came to Richland County in 1834, and settled on the farm which was the birthplace of the subject of this memoir and which is still retained in the possession of the family. Henry Wentz II was seventy-nine years of age at the time of his death, and his wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Shibeley, having been eighty-seven years of age at the time of her death.

Henry Wentz III, the immediate subject of this review, was reared on the old ancestral farmstead, early gained full experience in connection with its activities, and he continued his association with farm industry in Richland County until the call of patriotism became paramount and led to his entering service as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war. He enlisted in Company E, Eleventh Indiana Volunteer Infantry, which became a part of the command of Gen. Lew Wallace, and in which he rose through

the various grades of promotion from private to first lieutenant. Mr. Wentz took part in many important engagements, and after the battle of Winchester, Virginia, had command of Company G until he left the service. He was in active service throughout the entire war, and while he had many narrow escapes he was never wounded. From another source is gained the following brief resumé of the military career of Mr. Wentz:

"Mr. Wentz entered with his regiment into the early campaigns of 1861-62 in Kentucky and Tennessee, gradually working southwardly, and early in 1862 engaged in the battles of Fort Henry and Fort Donelson and the stupendous and disastrous struggle at Shiloh. His regiment took part in the siege of Corinth, Mississippi, and later in the battles of Grand Gulf, Port Gibson, Beaver Station, Champion Hill and Jackson, Mississippi, and finally the siege at Vicksburg, that state. After Vicksburg his regiment was sent to New Orleans and participated in the Teche expedition. At the end of three years' service Lew Wallace's Eleventh Indiana was veteranized, and after a two-month furlough reassembled again at New Orleans, from which point it was transported by water through the Gulf of Mexico and out on the Atlantic and up the coast to Washington, D. C. It was then sent to Harpers Ferry, Virginia, and thence to the scene of the operations of General Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley. Here Mr. Wentz's regiment participated in the campaigns at Halltown, Winchester, Fisher Hill and Cedar Creek, and it was at the end of this campaign that Mr. Wentz was mustered out of service, about January 1, 1865."

Mr. Wentz has never abated his interest in his old comrades of the Civil war, and has vitalized the same through his active affiliation with the Grand Army of the Republic.

The pioneer schools of Richland County afforded Mr. Wentz his youthful education, and during the long intervening years he has continued a veritable apostle of action and service. After the close of the Civil war he followed the carpenter's trade for a time, and thereafter he was engaged in the hardware business at Crestline for a period of ten years, at the expiration of which he moved to Shelby, which city has since continued as his place of residence and the central stage of his splendid activities. In 1880 he with others founded the Underwriters Fire Insurance Association, of which he became secretary and general manager, his associates in the organizing of this concern having been Dr. W. R. Bricker and H. W. Hildebrant, both now deceased. The title of the association was changed five years later to the Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Association, which was retained until 1918, when the present title was adopted. In the early days Mr. Wentz was the one active executive of the modest concern, and it has been in large measure due to his ability and his progressive policies that the extensive and substantial business of the company has been developed. A brief record concerning the inception and growth of this concern appears in the following sketch. Mr. Wentz well merits the title of "Grand Old Man of Richland County," for his has been a life of signal honor and usefulness, and no citizen of his native county has more secure place in popular confidence and esteem.

On June 8, 1865, Mr. Wentz married Sarah A. Bushey, of Shelby. Of their children, Harry Ruckle died aged ten years. E. Blanche married Dr. D. V. Summers, of Shelby, and they have two children, Henry Hugh and Helen Wentz, both graduate nurses. George Ralph died aged seven years.

THE MUTUAL PLATE GLASS INSURANCE COMPANY. In the vital little city of Shelby, Richland County, are established the headquarters of this corporation, which is the oldest and largest mutual plate-glass insurance company in the United States and the founder of which was Henry Wentz, who is still its president and treasurer and of whose remarkable career may be read in the preceding sketch.

In the year 1880 Henry Wentz founded at Shelby the Underwriters Fire Insurance Association, of which he became secretary and general manager and in the organization of which his associates were the late Dr. W. R. Bricker, David I. Foust and H. W. Hildebrant. In 1885 the title of the concern was changed to the Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Association of Shelby, and under this name the business was continued until 1918, when the present title was adopted, the only change being the substitution of the word company for that of association. From a pamphlet issued by the company are taken the following extracts: "Initially the scope of the enterprise was in Shelby and in towns in adjacent counties. Mr. Wentz constituted for years the company's sole office force in a single upstairs room at the southwest corner of Main and Gamble streets, and when his duties required him to go out of town for a day or two his office door was locked and a sign tacked on the door, reading 'Out of Town.' Compare that humble beginning with the present palatial offices—the home office at 20 West Main Street, Shelby, Ohio, with its force of employes, up-to-date office equipment and a force of salesmen covering Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Kentucky, Michigan, Illinois and Colorado. * * *

"In 1918 the total premium income from the total of the policies on the books of this company was, in round numbers, $28,312, while against this appeared an aggregate loss for the same year of $14,408."

The business of this company has been ordered carefully along conservative lines, and the growth of the enterprise has been consecutive and most substantial, as is evident when it is remembered that it is now the oldest and largest mutual plate-glass insurance company in the United States. The directorate of the original company consisted of Dr. W. R. Bricker, H. W. Hildebrant, D. I. Foust, Henry Wentz, W. A. Shaw and E. S. Close. Doctor Bricker was the first president and Henry Wentz the first secretary. H. W. Hildebrant succeeded Doctor Bricker as president of the company, and upon his death, in 1918, Henry Wentz became the president and treasurer, of which dual office he continues the incumbent, he having been a resourceful executive with this admirable organization for a period of nearly forty-three years, and at the venerable age of eighty-five years he is still in the harness and giving personal supervision to his important executive duties. It may incidentally be stated that Mr. Wentz has proved one of the most liberal and progressive citizens of Shelby during this long period of years, has assisted in the development and upbuilding of other local business enterprises, including that of the corporation now known as the Shelby Sales Book Company. Mr. Wentz is a stalwart in the camp of the republican party, and while he has had no desire for public office his civic loyalty was shown in effective service as a member of the City Council of Shelby for a period of ten years, and by his service of three years in the office of township clerk.

The total assets of the Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Company, as shown in its official statement of January 1, 1924, are $228,503.63; total liabilities, $88,356.35; net surplus, $113,727.24. The substantial business of the company has been developed through effective service and secure indemnity functioning. The personnel of the executive corps of the company in 1923 is as here noted: Henry Wentz, president and treasurer; R. C. Skiles, vice president; L. A.

Dennis, secretary-manager; J. J. Crum, assistant secretary-treasurer. In addition to these officers the directorate includes George R. Waite and H. G. Hildebrant.

Barton A. Holl is junior member of the firm, George W. Holl & Son, decorating contractors and dealers in paints and wall paper at Logan. It is an old established and successful business. Barton A. Holl is a veteran of the World war, and he had two brothers also in the service.

He is a son of George W. and Amelia (Schlaggetter) Holl. His grandfather, Andrew Holl, a native of Germany, became a brewmaster, and on coming to the United States located first at Lancaster, Ohio, and later at Logan, where he operated a brewery. He died in 1908. George W. Holl was born at Logan in 1864, and as a youth learned the trade of painter, and subsequently built up a successful organization for handling contracts in painting and decorating, and a store for decorating supplies. He is now president of the Logan Home Savings Association, and has been identified with that business since 1905. In former years he served as a member of the City Council, and has been active in the democratic party. He is one of the trustees of St. Mathew's Lutheran Church, to which his children also belong. He is a member of the Bible class and the Sunday school. The wife of George W. Holl was born in Circleville, Ohio. They have five children: Barton; Irma, wife of Joseph Powers, who is a steeplejack, living at Lancaster, Ohio; Fred, geologist, with the Empire Oil and Gas Company at Eldorado, Kansas; Joe, an employe of the firm of George W. Holl & Son, and Emma, who was a student in Ohio University at Athens, and is now teaching in the Logan public school.

Barton A. Holl was educated in the public schools of Logan, graduating from high school in 1909. For fifteen years he has been actively associated with his father's business except for the time he was in the army. His brother Fred was in the Aviation Corps, receiving his training at Berkeley, California, Camp Dix and Langley Field at Norfolk, Virginia, and held the rank of lieutenant. Joe Holl was in the artillery branch, and served with the heavy artillery of the Forty-first Division in France.

Barton A. Holl joined the army September 5, 1917. He was trained at Camp Sherman, assigned to duty with Company H of the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Infantry, and landed in England, May 28, 1918, and in France, June 20th of the same year. He was on duty there as a supply sergeant until January, 1919, and received his honorable discharge February 24, 1919.

Mr. Holl became interested in politics before he was qualified as a voter, and is now chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee and also a member of the executive committee. He was elected to the City Council in 1919 and chosen chairman of the Council. He is a Rotarian and a member of the American Legion.

On August 15, 1917, Mr. Holl married Miss Grace L. Sparnon, daughter of Judge H. E. Sparnon, of Logan. Mrs. Holl is a member of the Methodist Church. They have two children, Elizabeth Amelia and Barton Sparnon.

William Merritt Wonn has spent practically all his life in Logan, was in the railroad service a number of years, but has also proved his ability in independent enterprise. He is secretary, treasurer and manager of the Logan Ice Cream Company, the company also operating the Crystal Spring Ice Company. This is an important business of Logan, manufacturing ice and ice cream. The president of the business is Edward L. Ewing, and the vice president, Joseph Thomas. The Logan Ice Cream Company was incorporated in April, 1918, the organizers and stockholders being local dealers in ice cream, and established a business to supply their own needs. The enterprise has grown rapidly, and in 1921 the Crystal Spring Ice Company was organized, and the ice plant and ice cream plant were erected on adjoining sites.

Mr. Wonn was born at Logan, December 17, 1882. His parents, John Wesley and Sarah C. (Kern) Wonn, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Thanksgiving day of 1923. John Wesley Wonn was for twenty-five years a car inspector on the Hocking Valley Railroad. When the shops were located at Logan the company insisted that he accept a job in the shop for sixteen cents an hour. Instead, he quit the railroad, and though possessed of very small means, he engaged in the cement block and cement contracting business and acquired a competency before he retired. As his name indicates, his family were Methodists, and he has always been loyal to that church. He is a republican, and is one of the oldest members of the Odd Fellows Lodge at Logan. In the family were four sons and one daughter: Chase L., a grocer at Logan; James, a printer; William Merritt; Gertrude, wife of Clark T. Heft, sales manager for the Cooper Rubber Company of Indianapolis, and George, a railroad engineer with the Hocking Valley Railway.

William M. Wonn acquired a high school education at Logan, and in 1899, when seventeen years of age, became a clerk in the offices of the Hocking Valley Railroad at Athens, Ohio. After two years he was transferred to Lancaster, becoming cashier and chief clerk, and altogether spent ten years in railroad work. When he left the railroad he joined his brother Chase in the grocery business, and two years later started out independently. Mr. Wonn conducted two confectionery stores, which he sold to L. K. Showalter in order to devote his entire attention to the Logan Ice Cream Company. The original plant of the company was at first located in the rear of one of his stores.

Mr. Wonn married Miss Artie Hane, daughter of Jacob Hane, of Lancaster, Ohio. They have two children, William M., Jr., and Mary Francis. The family are Methodists. Mr. Wonn is a republican, is a member of the Rotary Club, and is not only a successful and progressive business man, but a worker in matters affecting the general welfare of the community.

John A. Canty, a former member of the Legislature, has been prominently identified with the lumber and furniture manufacturing interests of Hocking County for a number of years. He is vice president of the Owen Manufacturing Company at Logan.

The Owen Manufacturing Company succeeded the Snider Manufacturing Company, which was established in 1900, with the late J. J. Snider as president and Mr. Canty, secretary and treasurer. J. J. Snider, who died in 1903, was succeeded as president by his son, William A. Snider, and on his death in 1906 John A. Canty became president and treasurer. In 1919 the business was reorganized as the Owen Manufacturing Company. The president is D. T. Owen, of Cleveland. A. J. Conrad was secretary and treasurer for a number of years, and was succeeded at his death by his son, Harold P. Conrad. Albert Schreck is resident manager.

The late J. J. Snider was a native of Somerset, Perry County, Ohio, came of a family of woodworkers and timber men, and he was an unexcelled authority on everything connected with the industry, being an expert judge of timber and also an able financier. He operated a number of sawmills, and in order to find an output for his lumber product he branched out into

the manufacture of bedroom furniture. At one time he had in operation twenty small mills in Hocking and other counties. He was only fifty when he died. The furniture plant was one of very modest equipment at the beginning, employing about twenty people, while now the output of furniture of the Owen Manufacturing Company is valued at $1,000,000 a year. The old plant was destroyed by fire in 1913. Mr. Canty, then a principal in the company, was largely responsible for the erection of a larger and better plant.

Mr. Canty was born at MacArthur, Vinton County, Ohio, April 26, 1863. His parents, Patrick and Bridget Canty, came to Ohio from Ireland. Mr. Canty finished his school days at MacArthur at the age of fifteen, and then for a time was employed on construction work on the river division of the Hocking Valley Railroad between Logan and Pomeroy. Two years later he began learning the tinner's trade at Zaleski in Vinton County, remaining there and at Columbus for twelve years. In 1895 he became an office employe of Mr. J. J. Snider at Logan, and has been steadily identified with those interests ever since.

Mr. Canty throughout his business career has manifested a keen interest in politics and public affairs. He served two terms as a member of the Logan Council, and was elected in 1908 and for two terms was a representative in the State Legislature. He was chairman of the railroad and telegraph committee and a member of the insurance and other important committees, being in the Legislature during the Harmon administration. He has done much organization work for the democratic party in county, district and state. Mr. Canty is a Catholic, and for twenty-two years has been a member of the order of Knights of Columbus, United Commercial Travelers, and Elks, serving as exalted ruler of the latter. He married Miss Magdalena Krannitz, daughter of Jacob Krannitz. They have one son, John A., Jr., who is now a freshman in the University of Notre Dame, at Notre Dame, Indiana, taking a law course.

Charles Oscar Allen, M. D. Forty years of continuous service as a physician and surgeon has made the name of Charles Oscar Allen a household word in Hocking County. His has been a service of real distinction, and he has done the work of a doctor under conditions calling for the exercise of physical strength and endurance as well as professional resourcefulness.

Doctor Allen was born near Maysville, Kentucky, July 31, 1857, son of David Diarcha Allen, who was a great nephew of the famous hero of the Revolutionary war, Ethan Allen, who captured Fort Ticonderoga. David D. Allen was a son of Capt. Consider Allen, a Revolutionary soldier whose home was at Hartford, Connecticut. David D. Allen was born at Hartford, Connecticut, but was reared in Providence, Rhode Island. He received a university education, and for many years taught school in many states. He was an old-fashioned music teacher. He was also at one time a friend of Edgar Allan Poe, the American poet. Soon after the birth of his son Charles Oscar Allen the family moved to Albany, Athens County, Ohio, and that was the home of D. D. Allen until his death, though he died while teaching school in Harrisonville, in Meigs County, in 1863, at the age of sixty-two. He was born in 1801. His wife, Eliza Ferguson, was a native of Augusta, Maine, but when a child was brought to Ohio, and she finished her education at Athens. At her husband's death she was left with her children without means. She proved her noble character by many sacrifices and hard work to keep her family together and give her children educational advantages. For a time she taught a private school. She was a very devout Baptist and sent all her children regularly to Sunday school. This good woman died in 1909, when eighty-two years of age. Her children were: Dr. Henry Consider Allen, a practicing physician at Circleville, Ohio; Dr. Charles Oscar; William Edgar, who was named in honor of Edgar Allan Poe, was an attorney, practicing law at St. James, Minnesota, and Peoria, Illinois, and is now deceased; Ella, who died recently, was the wife of Frank Gillilan, a Methodist minister at Malta, Ohio; David died when twenty-five years of age. All the children attended the Atwood Academy at Albany, Ohio.

Charles Oscar Allen at the age of seventeen began teaching, while his sister Ella taught her first term at the age of fourteen. All the children taught school, and they helped each other to complete their educations.

Doctor Allen taught for seven years in rural districts in Athens and Vinton counties, and managed the best he could to complete his medical college course. When he left medical college he had a diploma and also a large debt. He graduated from Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati in 1882, and began his practice at Carbon Hill in Hocking County, but soon removed to Haydenville in the same county, and after fourteen years of heavy work in that community, established his home at Logan in 1897. He did postgraduate work in the New York Polyclinic in 1897. Doctor Allen still does a heavy practice, and is in good health in spite of the hardships and exposure he has endured, especially in the early years when there were no facilities such as the modern physician enjoys. He is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the family are Methodists.

Doctor Allen married Miss Lowie E. Moore, daughter of Samuel Moore, of Logan. They have a daughter, Nellie S., who graduated in 1913 from the Western College at Oxford, Ohio, and while there specialized in music. She has also studied under Prof. Percy Grainger, Richard Hagerman and Edward Collins at the Chicago Musical College.

Addo Clarence Tipton is a merchant and manufacturer at Logan, being treasurer of the Logan Manufacturing Company, one of the largest and most successful furniture making organizations in Southeastern Ohio. Mr. Tipton has also been prominently identified with horticultural interests.

The Logan Manufacturing Company was organized a number of years ago as a small concern by a group of thrifty workmen, each one a practical cabinet maker. This group comprised Darius A. White, A. B. Butin, A. Houston, J. A. Murphy, Michael Krieg, J. P. Curtis, Chris Jurgensmeyer and John Strentz. A. Houston became president and D. A. White, secretary, each of them receiving special remuneration for their official duties, Houston getting $2, and White $2.20 a day. Each one of the stockholders was also a worker in the factory. Their product was bedroom furniture and builders' supplies, and this has been the line of output followed ever since. The product of this Logan factory is distributed over the United States from New York as far west as Des Moines, Iowa.

In 1916 A. C. Tipton, W. A. Lanning and J. Wolf bought the interest of John White in the original company. In 1921 Wolf and Lanning sold their interest to E. W. Davis, L. P. Mooney, A. C. Tipton and H. R. Tipton. At the present time the business is owned largely in two families. Edward W. Davis is president of the company; Harold R. Tipton, vice president; Lawrence P. Mooney, secretary, and A. C. Tipton, treasurer.

Mr. Tipton was born at Torch, in Athens County, Ohio, May 29, 1861, son of Francis W. and Elizabeth

David D. Owen A.S.

(Cole) Tipton. His father was born near Unionport, Jefferson County, Ohio, and his mother near Smithfield in the same county. After their marriage they located in Athens County, and in 1882 moved to Logan in Hocking County. The mother died at the age of fifty-five as the result of an accident. Francis W. Tipton was a merchant and lumber dealer, and in the early days rafted lumber down stream to Cincinnati and other points. He had unusual gifts as a business man, and was a very upright citizen. He was interested in the councils of the republican party from its organization, and was one of the builders and active members of the church at Torch. In the family were six sons and five daughters, nine of whom reached mature years. The two sons now living are Francis M., a resident of Des Moines, Iowa, and A. C.

A. C. Tipton received his early educational advantages at Torch, and spent three years in Scio College, in Harrison County, Ohio, which some years ago was merged with Mount Union College. At the age of twenty his business career began as a helper in his father's store at Logan. Soon afterward he entered the grocery business, and that business undertaking has developed into a wholesale produce concern. Mr. Tipton in 1906 acquired 160 acres of land at Lockport, New York, near Niagara Falls, and gave his active attention during summer months to the development of this as a horticultural proposition, growing apples, grapes, plums, pears and peaches. He sold the property there in 1914, and is now owner of an apple orchard at Carpenter in Meigs County, Ohio. He is also a partner in the Tipton Shafer Land Company and is interested in the Shafer Coal Company.

His two chief hobbies are horticulture and Masonry. In Masonry he has filled chairs in the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council, and is a member of the Commandery, and is also affiliated with Columbus Consistory and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He has held all the lay offices in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Logan, having been superintendent of Sunday School and organized and taught the Tipton Men's Bible Class. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and United Commercial Travelers. Mr. Tipton married Miss Mary Price, daughter of Aaron A. Price, of Logan. She died in May, 1923, at the age of sixty years. To Mr. and Mrs. Tipton were born two children, Helen, dying in childhood, and the only son, Harold R., is now vice president of the Logan Manufacturing Company.

Francis L. Lomax, with his brother Peter Lomax constitute the firm of Lomax Brothers, proprietors of the McArthur Wholesale Grocery Company. They are probably the youngest men in Ohio who have achieved a definite rank in the wholesale grocery business. They supply the retail trade of many stores from Logan to Oak Hill.

Both these brothers were born in the picturesque country at Hawks Nest in Fayette County, West Virginia, Peter on July 4, 1894, and Francis L. on May 6, 1897. Enterprising and energetic, no work being too hard for them, they have become independent at a time when most men are just beginning their careers. These brothers willingly perform any of the labor connected with their business, from unloading a freight car to visiting the trade. Francis L. Lomax is in active charge of the wholesale business, while Peter gives most of his time to conducting two high class retail grocery stores, one at Logan and the other at McArthur.

Their parents, James and Elizabeth Lomax, were born in England, came to the United States as young people, were married in West Virginia, and James Lomax in early life was a coal miner. Later as a coal operator he managed the Lomax Coal and Coke Company in Fayette County, West Virginia. In 1902 he established his home in Vinton County, Ohio, and operated a coal mine two miles southwest of McArthur. This mine supplied fuel for the McArthur Brick Company. He died June 12, 1913. His widow is still living at McArthur. They had a family of three sons and three daughters: Hampton, who was born in 1889, and now has charge of the Lomax Coal Mine; Peter and Francis L.; while the three daughters are Charlotte, a teacher in the St. Louis High School; Clara, wife of P. M. Peacock, a machinist at Columbus; and Annie, widow of George Cundiff, who was killed in the Lomax mine while performing the duties of bank boss.

Francis L. Lomax is a graduate of the local high school, spent two years in Ohio State University, and as a boy had the arduous experience of a worker in the mines. In 1916 he bought the Jacobs and Westcott grocery business, and conducted it until he engaged in the wholesale trade in July, 1922. He married Miss May Lowry, daughter of Charles E. Lowry, of McArthur. She is a member of the Methodist Church. The Lomax family are Presbyterians. Francis L. Lomax is a Mason and Odd Fellow, and his brother Peter has attained the thirty-second degree in Scottish Rite Masonry.

David D. Owen, D. C. Old methods are giving way to new; improvements are being constantly made, and progress is shown along all lines of human activity. This is true in the art of healing as in everything else, and the people are awakening to the fact that science of chiropractics has been marvelously developed, and that its practitioners are carefully trained men whose success in their profession is unquestioned. One of these of Scioto County, who has built up a large connection, is Dr. David D. Owen of Portsmouth, one of the city's substantial young men and a veteran of the World war.

Doctor Owen was born at Dayton, Ohio, December 16, 1895, a son of Frank B. F. and Mary (Bowen) Owen, both of whom were born in Ohio. The mother is deceased, but the father survives. For many years he has been with the Barney-Smith Car Company and is now one of the expert car builders of that concern. For a number of years he resided on a farm adjoining Dayton, and carried on farming in a limited way before retiring from the firm. He maintains membership with the Modern Woodmen of America. The Owen family, as well as the Bowens, originated in England, but both have been long established in the United States, and Benjamin Owen, the paternal great-grandfather of Doctor Owen, was born in this country. Members of both families have always been representative citizens.

Following his graduation from the high school course at Dayton, Ohio, Doctor Owen learned the trade of pattern maker at the Stivers Trade School, and at the same time took up mathematical and commercial work. His plans were interrupted by the entry of this country into the World war, and he enlisted, as did so many of the young men. He was sent to the engineer's laboratories at Dayton, where he remained during the entire war period. Following his honorable discharge he matriculated at Ross College of Chiropractic at Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he took the full course and was graduated therefrom in 1920. Doctor Owen began the practice of his profession at Chillicothe, Ohio, but two years later left that city for Portsmouth and since October, 1922, has conducted a very successful practice here. He is an earnest, hard working young man, enthusiastic with reference to his calling,

and convinced that his science is the most effective and scientific for the healing of the ills of humanity.

Doctor Owen has suffered martyrdom for the cause of his new science. An attack upon chiropractic and chiropractors was launched in 1923 by the State Medical Board of Ohio. He has become widely known for some of the remarkable cures effected by him in a number of cases. A case had been brought to him of a little girl who had been given up by physicians and surgeons, and who had been in plaster casts for nearly a year, a sufferer from tuberculosis of the spine and legs. Seventeen days after Doctor Owen took charge of the case the braces were removed and she seemed on the way toward complete recovery. Then, on April 17, 1923, Doctor Owen was brought into court and through affidavits filed by an agent of the medical board was fined for illegal practice. He refused to pay the fine and for the sake of principle went to jail. An appeal was made to Governor Vic Donahey, who, moved by humanitarian consideration, permitted Doctor Owen to continue his ministrations in jail to the little girl until she was well on the road to health. Doctor Owen is greatly admired for his courage and steadfastness under persecution. He firmly believes that the health science of the world will in the near future be based on the science of chiropractic.

Doctor Owen is unmarried. He is a sincere member of the Portsmouth Methodist Episcopal Church, having been reared in that faith by his excellent parents. The O.B.W.C.A. and the Universal Chiropractic Association hold his membership. Since coming to Portsmouth Doctor Owen has identified himself with the best element in the city, and has allied himself with its constructive forces, for he is a firm believer in the duty of every man to properly discharge his civic responsibilities and intends to live up to his ideas in this respect by giving his support to those movements which have for their object the further development of his adopted city.

Hugh Sawyer James, M. D. In his long continued work as a physician and surgeon Doctor James has rendered a service that constitutes a genuine distinction in his profession. For many years he handled the heavy daily routine of cases arising in a mining practice, and for the past ten years has been located at McArthur in Vinton County. He was also a medical officer in the World war, seeing active duty in France.

Doctor James is a native of Vinton County, born in Brown Township, April 1, 1865, son of Richard and Eliza (McFarland) James. His father was born in West Virginia in 1819, and his mother was born in Ireland. She died in 1898, at the age of seventy-four. Richard James, who died in 1893, spent his active carer as a farmer and was an honored resident of Vinton County. He had a family of six sons and three daughters. Three of the sons, E. W., T. W. and John, were Union soldiers in the Civil war, John spending three months as a prisoner at Andersonville and coming home a physical wreck. All three of these soldier sons are now deceased. One son, Benjamin, is now living at Nelsonville, Ohio.

Hugh Sawyer James spent his youth as a farm boy, and had his share of the heavy physical toil involved in grubbing stumps, plowing and harvesting the fields. He attended the local schools, took a course in pedagogy at Ohio University at Athens, and for two years taught in the rural districts of Athens County. In 1890 he graduated from Columbus Medical College, and has always been a student of his profession. He took special post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore in 1907. He has specialized in diseases of women. His first practice was performed at Carbondale, Ohio, but after six months he was made physician to the Campbell Creek Coal Company in Kanawha County, West Virginia, and had a busy mining practice there for seventeen years. Following that he was made assistant surgeon of Mount Hope Hospital at Huntington, West Virginia, but in 1913 returned to his native county and located at McArthur. He has been United States district health commissioner since 1920, is a member of the Extension Board, and has a large private practice. He is secretary of the Vinton County Medical Society, and a member of the State and American Medical associations.

Soon after America declared war on the Central powers he volunteered, was trained at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, two weeks, was commissioned a lieutenant in the Medical Corps and was sent to France, where he was promoted to captain. He spent six months overseas in charge of Convalescent Hospital No. 11 at Chattarauh. He had some hard service, and severely injured his foot when he fell in a shell hole, the injury constituting him a permanent cripple. He received his honorable discharge at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, in April, 1919. Doctor James is chaplain of Robert Wykoff Post of the American Legion.

He is a republican, and fraternally is a Master Mason, a Knight of Pythias and Elk. He and his wife are members of the Christian Church. He married Miss Mame Davis, daughter of Edwin Davis, of Athens, Ohio.

Hon. Otto E. Vollenweider, a former member of the Ohio State Senate, has for over thirty years been prominently identified with the profession of law, with home at McArthur in Vinton County.

He was born at Chillicothe, Ohio, August 26, 1867, son of John and Catherine Vollenweider. His parents came from Switzerland to the United States. His father, who was a machinist and had received a thorough technical education in the schools of his native land, first located at Chillicothe, where he was employed as a machinist in local shops. Being thrifty as well as industrious, he finally with a modest capital established a shop and foundry of his own at Hamden, in Vinton County, where he located with his family in 1872. He did a flourishing business, developing several patents of his own, and finally he sold the business to H. S. Bundy and moved the foundry and machine shop to Wellston. He died in 1898, at the age of sixty-eight. His widow is now eighty-four years of age, a resident of Hamden, and is a very active worker in the Reformed Church. Of the three children Otto E. is the only son. The two daughters were Lillie and Lena. Lillie married D. A. G. Ray and is living at Jackson, and Lena married W. J. Ogier and is living at Wellston.

Otto E. Vollenweider finished his high school education at Hamden, and from 1884 to 1889 was a student in the University of Kentucky at Lexington, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree. He then entered the Cincinnati Law School, taking his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1891. On being admitted to the bar he established himself at McArthur, and in 1893 was elected prosecuting attorney of Vinton County. He held this office at a time when the courts were congested with cases, and when the county had a large floating population and many violations of the law. He was reelected prosecuting attorney in 1896, and for some years was city attorney. In 1914 he was elected on the republican ticket to the State Senate to represent the Eighth District, including the counties of Gallia, Lawrence, Meigs and Vinton. He served in the Senate until 1918, being chairman of the judiciary committee in the first term, and was republican floor leader of

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the Senate in the second session. He was also a member of the state building commission appointed by Governor Willis.

Senator Vollenweider during his long career as a lawyer has achieved a reputation as a man of force and learning, and well qualified not only for the routine work of the law, but also for important responsibilities in public affairs. He has been a director of the McArthur Brick Company since it was organized, and is local attorney for the Baltimore & Ohio, Southwestern & Hocking Valley Railroads. He is an elder in the Christian Church, and for many years superintendent of the Sunday School and is now teacher of the Men's Bible Class.

He is a member of the Scottish Rite Consistory of Masons at Cincinnati, has served as master of the local Masonic Lodge, and is a member of the Elks, Redmen, Knights of Pythias and Junior Order United American Mechanics. At Lexington, Kentucky, in 1909, he married Miss Ethel Heacox, daughter of N. L. Heacox, of Lexington, and of an old family of the Blue Grass State.

WILLIAM A. BARNES. In calling attention to substantial and representative men Licking and adjacent counties are justly proud of the fact that old family names appear that have been familiar in the state since early settlement in the Western Reserve. The Barnes family, a case in point, is worthily represented at Granville by William A. Barnes, formerly a justice of the peace and for a number of years mayor of Brinkhaven, Ohio.

W. A. Barnes was born in Holmes County, Ohio, January 4, 1867, a son of Rev. William S. and Jane (Loder) Barnes, both of whom were natives of Coshocton County, Ohio, as were their parents. Rev. William S. Barnes for many years was a well known and beloved minister of the Baptist Church in Holmes, Coshocton and Wayne counties. His death occurred in 1896.

William A. Barnes received his early educational training in the public schools of Holmes County, and completed his higher education in Ada College. For some years afterward he taught school in his native county and then became interested in the hardware business, first at Greersville in Knox County, and later at Brinkhaven, in the same county, near which latter city he owned a valuable farm. During his twenty-five years of residence and business engagement at Brinkhaven he became an active factor in democratic politics and important in public affairs, serving in a number of responsible offices, including justice of the peace, and later was elected mayor of Brinkhaven, which office he administered for four years with business efficiency and public spirit.

Mr. Barnes married at Greersville, Ohio, September 4, 1888, Miss Jennie E. Greer, daughter of A. W. and Caroline (Baker) Greer, and granddaughter of Robert and Sarah Greer. The Greers came originally from Ireland, and this family were the founders of Greersville and extensive farmers in Knox County. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes have four children: Ruby Barnes, who is a graduate of Denison University, Granville, Ohio, and of the University of Chicago, where she specialized in music, is the wife of David B. Cole, of Painesville, Ohio; William Emerson, who was a student in Denison University prior to embarking in business at Painesville, married Miss Virginia Lee, of Tennessee; Helen Greer, who is a graduate of Denison University, is teaching school at New London, Ohio; and Wendell Greer, who is a student in the high school at Granville.

Mr. Barnes has been a resident of Granville since 1916, bringing a home atmosphere and the best of social advantages to his children while they were students in Denison University, in the meanwhile establishing such cordial and pleasant relations with his fellow citizens here that the move may be considered permanent. With his family he belongs to the Baptist Church. He is a Knight Templar Mason and has been Master of Granville Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he belongs also to the order of Knights of Pythias.

ARTHUR S. HUGHES is one of the prominent factors in the industrial affairs in Mansfield, and is now owner of the controlling interests and the active head of the Hughes-Keenan Company, Incorporated. This business was started as a partnership in 1906, but was incorporated the same year with a capital of $25,000.

The Hughes-Keenan Company distributes a large tonnage of the manufactured products that leaves Mansfield for distribution all over the country. It has the facilities for the fabrication of structural and pressed steel and ornamental iron, and some of its feature output consists of steel toilet partitions and pressed steel truck bodies for Ford cars. This is an industry that has had a steady and substantial growth. At first only half a dozen men were employed in the shop and only $5,000 was invested. The company now keeps on its payroll 130 men, mostly skilled labor, the payroll running $25,000 per month. The plant now covers six acres, and there are a number of buildings recently erected. Mr. Keenan retired from the company in 1912, and since then Mr. Hughes has been the controlling executive.

Mr. Hughes has been accustomed to bearing unusual executive responsibilities since early manhood. He was born in Mansfield, November 13, 1878. His father is John Hughes, who for forty years was in business as an ice dealer, and is now eighty-six years of age and has spent half a century in one house. The grandfather of John Hughes was William G. Hughes, a Hessian soldier hired from the King of Prussia by King George III to fight the American colonies in the Revolutionary war. Like many others of those mercenaries he deserted and settled in Pennsylvania. His son, the grandfather of A. S. Hughes, moved from Pennsylvania to Ohio about 1828 and settled nine miles east of Mansfield, being one of the pioneers of Richland County. He and his family were early converts to the faith as taught by Alexander Campbell, the founder of the Christian or Disciples Church, who carried on his missionary efforts all through this region. The Hughes family attended services in the old log courthouse at Mansfield, this being one of the early centers of the church denomination started by Alexander Campbell.

Arthur S. Hughes after attending the common schools served his apprenticeship as a boiler maker with the Aultman-Taylor Company at Mansfield. When he was twenty years of age the company delegated him to go to San Paulo, Brazil, to install boilers for an electric power plant, probably the first in Brazil. This was a great responsibility for a young man. He had to learn the language of Latin America, to hire and manage a force of workmen composed of half a dozen nationalities. The plates were already bent and drilled, but had to be riveted and installed and the boilers connected with engines which were shipped complete. The captain of the vessel that carried young Hughes as a passenger gave him sound advice how to care for his health in the torrid zone and cautioned as to his dealings with inhabitants of both sexes, advice that proved of incalculable value. The two years spent at San Paulo, Rio Janeiro and Bahia afforded excellent training not only in actual construction, but in contact with human nature and in self-control, per-

fecting that ability to handle men which has made Mr. Hughes a responsible executive in advance of his years.

Mr. Hughes married Miss Bessie Morgan. They have two children, Alberta May and Mary Helen, both attending the Mansfield High School.

EARL A. MONTGOMERY is another of the native sons of Muskingum County whose loyalty to the county has not wavered and who have here found ample opportunity for successful achievement. Mr. Montgomery is the efficient cashier of the First National Bank of New Concord.

On a farm not far distant from the village of Nashport, Muskingum County, in Licking Township, Earl Arthur Montgomery was born October 3, 1878, and in the same house on this old family homestead was born his father, the late Alexander D. Montgomery, the death of whom occurred in 1916, when he was seventy-three years of age, he having maintained his home in Muskingum County during his entire life and having been a successful farmer and fruit-grower. He was a soldier of the Union in the latter part of the Civil war, as a member of the Ohio Volunteer Infantry. His wife, whose maiden name was Alice Sheppard, passed her entire life in Muskingum County, where her death occurred in the year 1881. The subject of this sketch was third in a family of four children. The parents were zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the father was a republican and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

After completing his studies in the Licking Township High School Earl A. Montgomery served three years as bookkeeper for the Buckeye Pressed Brick Company at Roseville, this county, and he then was advanced to the position of superintendent, which he retained until he assumed the position of bookkeeper in the Commercial National Bank at Roseville. Later he served one year as cashier of the First National Bank of Somerset, Perry County, and he then returned to his native county, and in 1907, became cashier of the First National Bank of New Concord. In 1909 he took the position of deputy county auditor at Zanesville, and his service in this capacity continued until his election to the office of county auditor in 1914. He served one term in this office, and Governor Frank B. Willis then appointed him district assessor of Muskingum County. This position he resigned in February, 1919, to resume his place as cashier of the First National Bank of New Concord, he being also a member of the Board of Directors of this institution.

Mr. Montgomery has never wavered in his allegiance to the republican party, has been prominent in public affairs at New Concord, where he has served as president of the Village Council and otherwise given evidence of his civic loyalty. He and his wife are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he is affiliated with the four York Rite bodies of the Masonic fraternity, his basic membership being in Roseville Lodge No. 566, and his chivalric affiliation being with the Commandery of Knights Templars at New Lexington. He is a member also of the Zanesville Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Montgomery was zealous in the advancing of patriotic activities in the World war period, including the local drives in support of the government war loans, besides which he served as food administrator of Muskingum County. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Muskingum College, at New Concord, is treasurer of its current-expense and building-fund committee and a member of its finance committee, which controls the Endowment fund of this institution, further mention of which is made on other pages, in the personal sketch of its president, Rev. J. Knox Montgomery, Doctor of Divinity.

At Roseville, in October, 1902, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Montgomery and Miss Lulu L. Pace, daughter of Luther C. Pace, of the Continental Pottery Company at Roseville. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery have three children: Alice and Luther are (1923) students in Muskingum College, and Jewett is attending the preparatory academy of that institution.

THOMAS D. ADAMS, who is one of the substantial citizens of Muskingum County, is owner of one of the best improved and most valuable farm estates in the county, has been identified with mercantile enterprise at Dresden, where he is now living virtually retired, and has held various offices of public trust, including that of representative in the State Legislature. In 1917, the year when he moved from his farm to Dresden, he became one of the organizers of the Dresden State Bank, and as vice president of this institution he has in large measure had the management of its affairs in the intervening years.

Thomas Dick Adams was born in Perry Township, Licking County, Ohio, January 10, 1849, and is a representative not only of a family that can claim a due measure of pioneer honors in Ohio but one that was also founded in America in the Colonial period of our national history. His father, Joseph Adams, was born in Fauquier County, Virginia, in the year 1824, and died at Dresden, Ohio, in 1884. Joseph Adams received excellent educational advantages, as gauged by the standards of his day and generation, and prior to accompanying his parents from the Old Dominion State to Ohio he had prepared himself for the profession of civil engineer. The family moved to Ohio in 1826, when he was about twenty-two years of age, his father having been the owner of many slaves in Virginia, but having conscientiously disbelieved in such human bondage, with the result that he liberated his slaves and came with his family to Ohio, where, even in that early day, slavery was looked upon with marked intolerance—nearly forty years prior to the Civil war. Samuel Adams, grandfather of the subject of this review, was associated with his son George in founding Adams Mills, which present village of that name in Muskingum County was then known as Preston and recognized as one of the principal business towns on the old Ohio Canal.

Joseph Adams taught school in his youth, both in Virginia and Ohio, and he became a man of broad intellectual ken, as he ever continued a deep student and reader, and had the discernment to make his extensive knowledge of value in connection with the practical affairs of life. He married Miss Mary Ellen Cass, a daughter of Capt. Charles L. Cass, who served as an officer in the War of 1812, his father, Maj. John Cass, having served as an officer in the War of the Revolution and having in recognition of this service, received from the government a grant of 4,000 acres of land in Ohio. Joseph Adams was long a leader in farm industry, and was one of the first and most successful growers of fine Merino sheep in this part of the state. He held various public offices of local order in both Licking and Muskingum counties, was a stalwart republican, and both he and his wife were zealous members of the Christian Church. Mrs. Adams survived her husband more than twenty years, and passed to eternal rest at Cheyenne, Wyoming, April 15, 1906, her birth having occurred in 1815.

The discipline of the public schools of Muskingum County was profitably received by Thomas D. Adams, and he was a member of one of the early classes in the Dresden High School, besides which he

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attended Muskingum College at New Concord. He put his acquirements to practical test and made a record of successful service as a teacher in the rural schools. He gave attention also to the study of law, and while he has never sought admission to the bar, his legal knowledge has proved of much value and has been frequently called upon by friends and neighbors. He has never severed his allegiance to the basic industries of agriculture and stock-growing, and his place, known as Ash Knoll, in Jefferson Township, is one of the finest farms in Muskingum County. There he resided many years, and he has always specialized in the raising of fine horses and cattle. He was for several years a director of the Muskingum County Fair Association, and has exhibited his live stock at its annual fairs, as well as at other fairs, including that of the Ohio State Agricultural Association. Mr. Adams was superintendent of the construction of the line of the Cincinnati & Mount Vernon Railroad through Dresden, said line being now a part of the Pennsylvania Railroad system. In 1917 Mr. Adams moved from his farm to Dresden, where he has since maintained his home. Here he was for sixteen years associated with his only son in the retail hardware business, under the title of the Dresden Hardware Company.

Mr. Adams has always paid unqualified allegiance to the republican party, has given effective service in behalf of its cause, and on its ticket was elected representative of Muskingum County in the Ohio legislature, in which he served for the term of 1891-93. From 1898 to 1902 Mr. Adams held the office of superintendent of public buildings in the state capital, Columbus, and within his regime in this office many improvements were made on the capitol and other state buildings. He and his wife are influential members of the Christian Church at Dresden, his membership in this denomination having been continuous since he was fifteen years old. Mr. Adams began independent farm operations when he was twenty-one years of age, and gradually freed himself of the indebtedness he had incidentally assumed, besides adding to the area of his original farm, a small place, until he became the owner of his present large and valuable landed estate. With a full quota of ancestral and individualistic patriotism, Mr. Adams found many opportunities to serve and aid in connection with the nation's participation in the World war. He was a member of the Draft Board of his county, and was active and liberal in supporting the drives for the government war loans, as well as those in support of Red Cross work.

Mr. Adams married on November 16, 1870, Miss Susan Vandenbark. The Vandenbark family came from Germany in the early days and settled in Muskingum County, in Licking Township, and some of the family still retain large holdings there.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams have five children: Alta B. is the wife of J. D. Stitt, and they have two children, Charles and Hester. Mary Ellen is the wife of William Crabtree, a farmer in Muskingum County. Judson J. was the organizer and is president of the Service Rubber Company at Rock Island, Illinois, a concern engaged in the manufacturing of rubber footwear, he having previously been engaged in the retail hardware business, first at Dresden, Ohio, and later in Virginia, besides having been a traveling salesman for the Beacon Falls Rubber Company, of which he was finally made general manager, a position which he retained until he organized the company of which he is now president. Jessie G. is the wife of V. L. Howell, superintendent of the mills of the John Herman Miller Company at Dresden. Florence is the wife of Earl G. McGovern, superintendent of construction for Dodge Brothers, automobile manufacturers, in Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN MARTINITZ is proprietor of the Vienna Bakery at Bucyrus. Mr. Martinitz came to the United States as a youth, learned the baking trade, and by strenuous application to his work and by following strict business principles has achieved a notable success.

He was born at Unterhausen, Wurttemberg, Germany, January 24, 1875, son of Andrew and Rosa (Gekeler) Martinitz. His parents spent all their lives in Germany. There are four living children and all in Germany except John.

John Martinitz acquired a common school education, leaving school at the age of fourteen, and then for several years worked in a factory. He was eighteen when he came to the United States, and his first location was at Bucyrus, where he found employment in a livery barn at a dollar a week and board. Four months later he apprenticed himself to learn the trade of baker, worked two years and then was a journeyman baker in different cities in Ohio.

In 1897 Mr. Martinitz married Miss Rosa Goebelt, who was born in Baden, Germany, and came to the United States when two years of age, her people locating in Bucyrus, where she acquired a public school education. After his marriage Mr. Martinitz bought a small bakery in Galion, but after one year sold out and then started a new establishment at Carey, operating it four years. Disposing of this property in 1903 he returned to Bucyrus, and on a modest scale started the business of which he is now proprietor. In 1907 he built the building and plant of the Vienna Steam Bakery on Oakwood Avenue. This plant has a capacity of 5,000 loaves daily, besides all kinds of pastry products. The business is one that supplies baking products to many towns and villages outside of Bucyrus.

Mr. and Mrs. Martinitz have two children: Gladys Ruth, who is a graduate of the Bucyrus High School and the Spencerian Business College at Cleveland, and John C., aged fourteen and attending the local schools. The family are members of the German Lutheran Church. Mr. Martinitz is affiliated with Bucyrus Lodge No. 139, Free and Accepted Masons, is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and Council of Bucyrus, the Knights Templar Commandery at Marion, the Toledo Consistory of the Scottish Rite, Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus, and is also affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fraternal Order of Moose and the Eagles. He is a democrat in politics.

JAMES DAVID WITTMAN, one of the most substantial business men and active citizens of Jackson in Jackson County, James David Wittman is president and owner of the Buckeye Lumber Company and for many years was known as a successful educator and was an editor and publisher.

He was born in Jackson County, Ohio, October 17, 1866, and represents pioneer families of this section of the state. His grandparents, Henry and Susan Wittman, were of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry and settled in Jackson County in 1838. Their son, John Wittman, father of James David, was ten years of age when the family came to Jackson County, and he lived on one farm there for eighty years. He died October 15, 1920, at the age of ninety. He helped cut all the first roads through his section of the county, and assisted in all matters of general improvement. He served on the Board of Trustees, the School Board and Board of Education, and was an active member of the German Lutheran Church. John Wittman married Elizabeth Ann Elick, who died in 1910. Her parents were David and Ann Elick, the former a native

of Germany and the latter of Switzerland, but they grew up and came to know each other since their homes were on the border between those two countries. John Wittman and wife had ten children: Hattie E., who married W. A. Russell and has three sons; Miss Annie, James David, John H., who married Mattie Blair and has two sons and two daughters; Francis E., George B., who by his marriage to Blanch Gordon has two sons; William J. is the father of two sons by his wife, Metta Brown; Henry S. married Effie Hank, and has a daughter; Cecelia E. is the wife of John W. Pratt, and they are the parents of two sons and five daughters; and Miss Jessie Mable.

James David Wittman was reared on his father's farm in Jackson County, attending district schools, and completed his higher education in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and in Morgan's Academy. He spent ten years of his life as a school teacher. He taught at Jackson and also in district schools and for three years taught in California. After retiring from that vocation he bought the Jackson Herald, a weekly paper, and for fifteen years was owner and editor, making it a very prosperous and influential journal. Mr. Wittman sold his newspaper interests in 1915, and then bought the Buckeye Mill & Lumber Company at Jackson. He manufactures lumber, and also has one of the leading retail lumber yards in Jackson County. In addition to this business he is vice president and a director of the Jackson Building Loan Company.

Mr. Wittman is a Methodist, is a Knight Templar Mason, a Knight of Pythias, is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public Library.

On July 26, 1900, at Brockton, Massachusetts, he married Miss Clara F. Drake. They met while he was teaching school in California, and while his wife was also in the state with her parents, though the family home of the Drakes remained at Brockton, Massachusetts. Mrs. Wittman is a descendant of one of the oldest New England families, and also of the famous Drake family in English history. The Drakes came to Massachusetts at the time of the Mayflower. Mrs. Wittman was born at Plymouth, Massachusetts, daughter of Captain Frank and Lyphenia (Shaw) Drake. Her father was an engineer of national reputation, spending most of his life as a mining engineer in California, Nevada and Old Mexico. During the Civil war he served as a captain of the home guards. Like all the Drakes he was very fearless, a natural leader of men. He was a Knight Templar Mason. Mrs. Wittman was the only child of her parents.

EDMUND G. CHAPMAN is one of the very capable and enterprising young men in the citizenship of Jackson County. His experience since he left school has been in the printing and publishing business, and he is editor and part owner of the best known paper in Jackson County, The Jackson Herald.

He was born at Jackson, July 20, 1889, son of Henry and Alice (Mosier) Chapman. His parents are still living, his father having been well known in Jackson County, at first as a coal operator and later as a farmer. There were the following children in the family: Jessie, who is the wife of Isaac Brookins, and has five children, named Dorothy, Dwight, Edmund, Paul and Henry; Charles, who married Margaret O'Donnell, and has four children, Charles, Helen, Peggie and James; Ada, who died in September, 1921, wife of Richard Dobbins, and left one son, Charles; William, who married Mildred Lewis; Earl, who died in 1914, and Edmund G.

Edmund G. Chapman attended the public schools at Jackson, spending one year in high school. When he was sixteen years of age he left school to go into a printing office, learning the technical as well as the professional and business sides of a country newspaper office. After several years of active experience as an employe he and Carl L. Johnson in 1914 bought the Jackson Herald, Mr. Chapman becoming its manager. In 1920 Mr. Johnson sold his interest, at which time Mr. Chapman and Arch Marton took each a half interest. Mr. Chapman is now owner of a half interest in the paper and also the Oak Hill Press, a weekly paper at Oak Hill. It is a republican paper, while the Herald, published semi-weekly, is democratic.

Mr. Chapman in November, 1914, married Miss Iva Berry, daughter of Samuel B. and Virginia Berry. Her mother died in 1916, leaving two children, Mrs. Chapman and Irene. Irene married John Crabtree, and has one child. Mr. Crabtree is a machinist with the Detroit, Toledo and Ironton Railway, and is a member of the Moose and Knights of Pythias. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Chapman are Wilma and Junior. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman are members of the Christian Church, and he is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, a Knight of Pythias and a member of the Jacksonian Club.

RAYMOND C. WILLIAMS is an active business man at Frankfort in Ross County, where he has the leading automobile garage and repair station. He has been a carpenter by trade, and spent his early life on a farm, his people having been identified with the agricultural affairs of Ross County for a great many years.

Mr. Williams was born near Frankfort, in August, 1877, son of James M. and Sallie (Bowdle) Williams. His grandfather, John S. Williams, was born in Wales, and was an early settler in Ross County. James M. Williams has spent his active life as a farmer, and is a member of the Methodist Church. His wife died in 1881. Their two children were Raymond C. and Walter L.

Raymond C. Williams was educated in district schools, finishing his schooling at the age of eighteen. He then took an active share in the labors of the home farm with his father, and his home was on the farm until he was twenty-five. He learned the carpenter's trade, and also operated a threshing outfit during the seasons, spending the rest of the year in the building trade. Through these two occupations he made for himself a place of creditable usefulness in the community until 1920, when he engaged in the automobile business, erecting the most complete garage and repair shop in Frankfort. He is also the local representative for the Chevrolet car and handles a varied line of automobile parts and accessories. Mr. Williams was registered under the second draft act, but was put in the fourth class. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Knights of Pythias and of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

He married in Twin Township of Ross County, in February, 1902, Miss Almeda Knapp, daughter of Spencer and Mary J. (Steuart) Knapp, her father a farmer. Mrs. Williams was one of four children, her three brothers being Peter, Henry and James. Mr. and Mrs. Williams also have four children, Mary, Simon, Roena and Marie.

JOHN EDWARD FOSTER was admitted to the Ohio bar and had about a year's experience of a practicing attorney before he entered the Aviation Corps for duty during the World war period. Since the war he has returned to his native county of Jackson, and is the present prosecuting attorney.

He was born at Jackson, March 29, 1894, son of Edward and Ophalia (Stephenson) Foster. The Stephenson family is one of the oldest in Jackson

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County. His great-great-grandfather Stephenson was one of the first county commissioners. His paternal grandparents were John and Sarah Foster. His parents are living at Jackson, where his father for forty years has been active in business as a retail dry goods merchant. Edward Foster is a Knight Templar Mason, a Knight of Pythias, a member of the Elks, and is a trustee and member of the official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church. John E. Foster is the only son of his parents, his sister Hazel being the wife of Clifford L. Meyer. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer have one child, Foster.

John Edward Foster graduated from the Jackson High School in 1911, and then entered Ohio State University at Columbus, where he spent two years in the academic department and three years in the law school. He received his law diploma in 1916, remaining in Columbus to practice until October, 1917. At that date he was commissioned second lieutenant in the Aviation Corps, was sent for training to Selfridge Field, spent four months at Mount Clemens, Michigan, three months in the Georgia Institute of Technology, and finally was assigned to duty at Call Field in Texas, where he remained until getting his honorable discharge, January 21, 1919.

On leaving the service Mr. Foster returned to Ohio and for over a year was a member of the legal department of the Hydraulic Steel Craft Company at Cleveland. In June, 1920, he engaged in general practice at Jackson, and in the fall of 1922, was elected for a two-year term as prosecuting attorney at Jackson County. He is active in civic affairs, being secretary of the Jackson Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the County and State Bar associations, belongs to the college fraternities Phi Delta Theta and Phi Delta Phi, and the Masonic Order. He is a Methodist.

On April 16, 1918, at Columbus, Mr. Foster married Miss Martha Hoagland, daughter of William H. and Ruth (Everhard) Hoagland. Her mother died in 1915. Her father is one of the well known business men of the state, being president of the Marble Cliff Quarries Company, of the Clay Craft Brick Company, and for several years was chairman of the State Finance Committee of the republican party. He is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Mason and a Presbyterian. Mrs. Foster has a twin sister, Ruth, who married K. H. Minneman, and their two children are Ann and June. The one daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foster is Ruth.

David Armstrong, president of the Citizens Bank of Jackson, comes of a family of bankers and business men, and represents a name that has been prominent in Southern Ohio for several generations.

He was born at Waverly in Pike County, Ohio, March 7, 1873, son of David and Eliza (Martin) Armstrong, and grandson of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Adams) Armstrong, while his maternal grandfather was John Martin. The Armstrongs came from the vicinity of Philadelphia to Southern Ohio, while the Martins were from old Virginia. David Armstrong, Sr., who died in 1899, was one of the able financiers of his time, being president of the First National Bank of Jackson for a time, later acted as receiver for the Fidelity National Bank of Cincinnati, as receiver of a bank at Little Rock, Arkansas, and also as receiver of the Farmers Bank at Portsmouth, Ohio. His widow, Mrs. Eliza (Martin) Armstrong, is now eighty-four years of age. There were ten children: Benjamin and Ellen, both deceased; Miss Frances and Miss Mary; John, who died in 1918; Blanche, wife of John E. Jones, president of the Globe Iron Company; Elizabeth, who became the wife of Charles D. Jones; David, Joseph and Daniel H., who married Winnefred Williams.

David Armstrong, Jr., was reared at Jackson, attending the public schools. He finished his high school course in 1893, and for several years was identified with the coal industry as a mining operator in Jackson County. He first joined the Citizens Bank at Jackson, as bookkeeper, was promoted to assistant cashier, in 1905 became cashier, and since 1912 has been president of this institution. For a time he served as township treasurer. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, the Knights of Pythias, the Moose, Redmen and Elks.

Mr. Armstrong married at Jackson in June, 1900, Miss Jessie Miller Thomas, daughter of Reese W. and Ida (Beman) Thomas. Her father, who died in 1923, had been for half a century a business man at Jackson, proprietor and head of the R. W. Thomas Shoe Company. He was one of Jackson's leading men. During the Civil war he was with a regiment of Ohio Infantry and was wounded in battle. He was very active in the Grand Army of the Republic, and was a member of the Masonic fraternity. Mrs. Armstrong was one of six children, the others being: Beman Thomas and George G., both of Columbus; Stanley T, a resident of Sitka, Alaska; Madge K., who married John W. Hood; and Helen Tedford, who married Paul West. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong are Ida Beman, born in 1905, and Eliza, born in 1909.

Ralph O. Perrott, secretary and manager of the Hadfield Penfield Steel Company, formerly the American Clay Machinery Company of Bucyrus, was born in that city, and as a small boy exercised his initiative and ingenuity in providing for himself, and at the age of eighteen, in 1901, went to work as a stenographer for the American Clay Machinery Company, and has been an executive of the business since 1906.

He was born at Bucyrus in January, 1883, son of John R. and Nancy J. (Bacon) Perrott. His parents were born, reared and married in western Pennsylvania, and in 1860 came to Ohio and located at Crestline, where John R. Perrott was employed as a mechanic in the Pennsylvania Railroad shops. In the early seventies they removed to Bucyrus, and John R. Perrott became a mechanic in the shops of the Bucyrus Steam Shovel and Dredging Company, and was connected with that important industry for many years.

Ralph O. Perrott was delivering newspapers in Bucyrus while attending the public schools, and these early associations influenced him to learn the printing trade. For several years he was an employe in the Hopley printing establishment at Bucyrus. He made satisfactory progress in the printing and newspaper business, but eventually decided to seek another field. He had proved his thrift and had a small amount of capital to tide him over while getting started. He worked as a stenographer, and subsequently was transferred from the general office to the credit department of the American Clay Machinery Company. Here he proved his abilities as an organizer, and eventually was made head of the department. By his systematic methods and good judgment he had this department soon operating in a most efficient manner, so that it proved its value in collecting a large volume of accounts that had been considered worthless and regulated the line of credits so as to avoid, so far as possible, bad debts in the future. On account of this admirable record Mr. Perrott in 1906 was made secretary of the corporation, and manager of the Bucyrus plant, and has contributed in no small degree to the wonderful success of this, one of the city's leading industries.

Mr. Perrott married Miss Blanche Quilter. She was born in Bucyrus, daughter of Frank and Bridget (Kane) Quilter. Her father is superintendent of the Broker Sword Stone Company of Bucyrus. She and her family are members of the Catholic Church. Mr. and Mrs. Perrott have three children: Margaret Maxine, born May 24, 1909; Ralph Oren, Jr., born July 6, 1912, and Mary Alice, born April 25, 1918. Mr. Perrott is an active worker in the Episcopal Church, is a republican, was presidential elector on the Harding ticket in 1920, and is a Knights Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge, No. 156. Among other interests he was a director of the Farmers National Bank, and was also officially interested in the Bucyrus Hospital.

Louis S. Houser. In civilian life Louis S. Houser is a hard working, respected merchant of Chillicothe, prosperous, respected by all, and of a retiring disposition. Few citizens of Ohio have a longer and more honorable record of military service than Lieutenant-Colonel Houser, who is a veteran of two wars, has been identified with the Ohio National Guard for over a quarter of a century, and had an active part in training many of the splendid soldiers that went from Chillicothe to the World war.

He was born at Chillicothe, September 19, 1879. His father, Bartholomus Houser, was born in Baden, Germany, came to America in 1860, and after living for a time at Portsmouth, Ohio, located at Chillicothe. He became a soldier of the Union in the Civil war, being first in the First Ohio Infantry and later in the Fifty-sixth Ohio Infantry, serving in Hancock's Veteran Corps until the close of the war. After the war he was an active member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He followed farming as his chief occupation, and died at Chillicothe at the age of sixty-eight. His wife, Mary Moll, was born in Pike County, Ohio, and is now living at Chillicothe. They had six children of whom three are now living: Joseph, Mabel and Louis S.

Louis S. Houser was rearer in Chillicothe, attending the public schools to the age of seventeen, and then went to work as clerk in a grocery store. He was connected with several of the mercantile houses of Chillicothe until 1907, when he and his brother Joseph organized the firm of Houser Brothers, and for many years they have conducted one of the high class grocery establishments of the city.

In November, 1908, at Chillicothe, Colonel Houser married Martha Page, daughter of John and Susan Page, residents of Chillicothe, where her father is connected with the Express Company. In the Page family were five children, Mrs. Houser being the youngest and only daughter, her brothers being John, William, Frank and Harry. Colonel and Mrs. Houser have six children: Elizabeth, Louise, Anna Mary, Louis, Robert and Bettie Jane.

Colonel Houser is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a member of the Spanish-American War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. He is a republican in politics.

His record of military service should be treated with greater fullness. Soon after the war with Spain broke out he enlisted May 10, 1898, in Company K of the Seventeenth Ohio Infantry, and was mustered into the United States service May 13, 1898, with the Seventh Ohio Infantry, United States Volunteers. He was mustered out November 5, 1898. He was transferred to Company H of the Fourth Ohio Infantry, National Guard, April 25, 1899, was appointed corporal September 18, 1899, sergeant, August 2, 1900, and was discharged June 10, 1902, to accept commission as second lieutenant of infantry, accepting the commission and being assigned to duty with Company H of the Fourth Ohio Infantry on the same date. He was commissioned first lieutenant of infantry April 6, 1903, being assigned on the same date to duty with Company H of the Fourth Ohio Infantry. He was commissioned captain of infantry January 30, 1907, being assigned to command of Company H. He was commissioned major of infantry April 9, 1917, being assigned to duty with the Fourth Ohio Infantry, and on July 25, 1917, was mustered into the United States service, being discharged from the Ohio National Guard August 5, 1917, by reason of being drafted into the army of the United States.

In the early years of his service with Company H he participated in its record in the home state, particularly during the flood of 1913. He was called for the Mexican border service, being mustered in July 10, 1916, serving with the Fourth Ohio Infantry and mustered out March 3, 1917. He was called into federal service July 15, 1917, was mustered in July 25, was drafted into the army of the United States August 5, his old National Guard Regiment being renumbered One Hundred Sixty-sixth United States Infantry, and assigned to the Forty-second or Rainbow Division. He sailed for France October 18, 1917, landing at St. Nazaire October 30, and commanded the Second Battalion, One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry, until detached from the Forty-second Division and placed on unassigned officers list July 6, 1918. He was assigned to replacement work and organized and commanded Machine Gun and Automatic Rifle School of Instruction, at Soinges, France, in July-August, 1918. Being detached from that duty he was assigned with the First Corps of the American Expeditionary Forces on August 17, 1918, and was assigned to duty with First Corps Replacement Battalion, transferred with the organization to First Army American Expeditionary Forces as First Army Advance Replacement Depot in October, 1918. He was transferred to Fortieth Division November 12, 1918, for return to the United States for muster out, was assigned to the One Hundred Sixtieth Infantry December 14, sailed from France April 15, 1919, and was mustered out of United States service at Camp Kearny, California, May 8, 1919. During the Meuse-Argonne offensive he was recommended for promotion by G-1, First Army, but as all promotions were held up after the signing of the armistice the promotion did not reach Colonel Houser until he was mustered out, and at that date accepted commission as lieutenant-colonel of infantry, Officers Reserve Corps. While overseas Colonel Houser took part in action on various fronts, being from February to June, 1918, in the Luneville-Baccarat sectors in Lorraine with the Forty-second Division; in the St. Mihiel offensive from September 12 to September 16, with the First Corps and with the First Army in the Meuse-Argonne Offensive from October 15 to November 11. During the St. Mihiel Offensive he was cited by President Poincaire of France for efficient handling of refugees from the devasted front. After the offensive had begun and the Germans were forced to evacuate their positions that they had held since 1914 over 3,500 French civilians who had been caught in the German advance during the first days of the World war were liberated by the advance of the American Army and were hurriedly transported by motor trucks and caissons to a point about half way between Toul and Nancy, where they were housed and subsisted until the French government could take charge and return them to their homes and relatives.

Since the war he has resumed duty with the Ohio National Guard, being commissioned lieutenant-colonel of infantry, January 28, 1921, and accepted commission and was assigned to the One Hundred

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Forty-seventh Ohio Infantry on that date. He was released from assignment with the One Hundred Forty-seventh Infantry and assigned to command of special troops Thirty-seventh Division Ohio National Guard, on April 12, 1922.

David H. Roche has been continuously identified with the commercial life of Chillicothe since he left high school twenty-four years ago. For several years he has been manager of the Dahl-Campbell Company, wholesale grocers.

Mr. Roche was born at Pekin, Illinois, February 16, 1882, son of David and Carrie (Buckingham) Roche, and grandson of John Roche. David Roche was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, moved to Illinois with his parents, and for many years was prominent in Ross County, Ohio, as farmer, railroad man, coal operator and banker. He was a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and a member of the Elks. He died in 1917. His widow, still living in Chillicothe, was born in England, and was brought to this country by her parents when she was a small child. Her three children are: Walter, who married Katherine Driscoll and has three children, named George, Walter and Barbara; Cora, who was married to F. C. Secrest and also has three children, Katherine, Louise and Corinne.

David H. Roche, youngest child of his parents, acquired his early education in the public schools of Chillicothe, graduating from high school in 1900. Soon afterward he became an employe of the Chillicothe Hardware Company, and for twenty years was actively identified with that important business. He left the hardware business to join the Dahl-Campbell Wholesale Grocery Company as manager of the Chillicothe branch in 1922.

In December, 1909, at Chillicothe, he married Miss Winifred Campbell, daughter of T. C. and Margaret (Brown) Campbell. Her father was a farmer and merchant in Chillicothe, and was a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. In the Campbell family were five children: Clifford, Porter, William M., Francis, (now deceased) and Mrs. Roche. Mr. and Mrs. Roche have one son, David C. Mr. Roche is active in Masonry, having attained the Knight Templar degrees, the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and membership in the Shrine. He is a member of the Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

Harley E. Yaple. Representing a family that has been in Ohio for more than a century, Harley E. Yaple is a resident of Kingston, Ross County, and for many years has been the leading merchant of that prosperous rural town.

He was born at Elmwood in Pickaway County, Ohio, May 13, 1876, son of William F. and Eliza (Leasure) Yaple. The early history of the Yaple family runs back to Colonial times in New York State, where they settled on coming from England. Their home was in the Wyoming Valley, and they suffered from the devastation caused by the British and Indians in that valley during the Revolutionary war. Some members of the family were patriot soldiers. John Yaple, grandfather of Harley E. Yaple, was born in Pennsylvania, and in 1810, came to Ohio, traveling with wagon and team. For several years he provided his meat from the wild game which abounded, and was one of the noted hunters of his day. From the woods he cleared a farm, built a log house, and was one of the solid and substantial men in his community. He died at the age of seventy-three. The maternal grandfather of the Kingston merchant was Thomas Leasure, who came from Pennsylvania and settled in Ross County in 1810 and was likewise a pioneer who cleared the land and helped establish civilization on a firm footing. William F. Yaple was one of the prosperous farmers of Pickaway County, and later lived at Kingston, where he died. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife, Eliza Leasure, died August 30, 1922. All of their ten children, seven sons and three daughters, are still living: S. T., F. W., Harley E., W. A., C. V., M. L., L. H., Della, wife of William H. Ashworth; Effie E., and Mary, wife of Daniel B. Watson.

Harley E. Yaple after graduating from the Kingston High School in 1897, engaged in school work. For six years he taught school in Ross County, and then engaged in business for himself at Kingston. For twenty years he has conducted the leading dry goods and grocery establishment of that town. Besides making a success of his private business he has carried an important share in the civic affairs of his community. For the past twelve years he has been township treasurer, and during the World war was a member of the Registration Board. He is a Presbyterian and has been an elder in his church for about twenty years. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and in politics is a republican.

He married at Chillicothe in January, 1913, Miss Maud Hassenpflu, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Ranck) Hassenpflu. Her father, who was a Ross County farmer, died in 1913 and her mother is still living. Her parents were members of the German Reformed Church and her father was a Granger. Mrs. Yaple is the oldest of four children, her brothers being Edgar, Oscar and William, the latter deceased. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Yaple are: Clione E., Theodore W. and Lillian.

Colonel Cyrus W. Fisher, who died at his home in Bucyrus May 17, 1916, was an Ohio man distinguished by unusual attainments in various fields. In early life he was a civil engineer and also in the operating service of railroads. He was one of Ohio's officers in the Civil war. After the war he followed the profession of law, and achieved a place of high honor in that field.

Colonel Fisher was born at Waynesville, Warren County, Ohio, September 22, 1835, and had passed the age of four score when he died. His father was a physician, and lived in a number of different localities during the boyhood of Colonel Fisher. The family home was in Rock County, Wisconsin, in 1846, and in that year Cyrus was sent back to Ohio to attend school. In 1849 the family located at Lebanon, Ohio, where Cyrus Fisher continued his education until 1851. In that year he became associated with an engineering corps making a survey for a railroad line through Ohio. In 1854 he became an employe of the Ohio & Indiana Railroad Company, and two years later took the position of conductor with the Bee Line Railroad, with a run from Crestline in Crawford County to Indianapolis. In 1857 he left the train service to take a position in the superintendent's office, and was thus engaged when the war came on.

Colonel Fisher's first enlistment was in Company F of the Twenty-third Ohio Infantry, whose commanding officers were Col. W. S. Rosecrans, Lieut.-Col. Stanley Matthews and Maj. Rutherford B. Hayes. In July, 1861, this regiment started for Western Virginia, and in November of the same year Lieutenant Fisher was promoted to major of the Fifty-fourth Ohio Regiment. In February, 1862, this regiment became part of the command of General Sherman. Major Fisher was promoted to lieutenant-colonel of the Fifty-fourth in November, 1862, and from that time until the close of the war he held that rank.

In 1864 he was admitted to the Ohio bar, and soon after the war he removed to Oskaloosa, Iowa,

where he engaged in journalism by purchasing the Oskaloosa Herald. He continued as its publisher until 1868. After selling out his newspaper interest he devoted all his time to the practice of law, and enjoyed a growing reputation in that profession. Finding his health impaired by the climate, he gave up law practice to resume railroading, and, going West, became superintendent and general freight and ticket agent of the Denver Pacific Railroad. In 1878 he was made superintendent of the Mountain Division of the Union Pacific, and the following year was made general superintendent of the Denver, South Park & Pacific Railroad. He continued a prominent railroad official in the West until 1888. Then after a year abroad in Europe he returned to Ohio in 1889, and from that time Bucyrus was his home city. He made some large investments in Bucyrus, was connected with several financial institutions, and always took a keen interest in the city's growth and institutions. He was president of the Bucyrus public library, and was a prominent republican and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

At Bellfontaine, Ohio, in 1859, Colonel Fisher married Sallie M. Dunham. She died in September, 1860. In 1864 he married Miss Martha I. Hetich, who died in 1888. In 1891 Colonel Fisher married Mrs. Mary D. Beer, who survives him.

Mrs. Mary Denman (Swingly) Fisher is a daughter of Dr. Frederick Swingly, and was born at Bucyrus May 30, 1848. Her father was a native of Hagerstown, Maryland. Mrs. Fisher was reared in Bucyrus, completed a high school education, and at the age of seventeen became a teacher. She taught in the Union School of Bucyrus. On November 7, 1868, she was married to Capt. William Nevins Beer, who was born near Mount Hope, Ohio, was educated at Washington, Pennsylvania, and for many years was a prominent lawyer of Bucyrus.

Later he moved to Iowa, and he died at the home of his brother, Henry Beer, at Valparaiso, Indiana, July 25, 1875. Captain and Mrs. Beer had three children: Margaret Mary, born December 16, 1870, and died February 20, 1919; Frederick Thomas Beer, born April 10, 1872, and died May 28, 1912; and William C., an attorney at Bucyrus.

After the death of Captain Beer Mrs. Fisher resumed teaching, and for fifteen years was devoted to her work in the Bucyrus Union schools, not missing two entire days all that time. On June 16, 1891, she was married to Colonel Fisher at the home of Maj. E. C. Moderwell in Chicago. Mrs. Fisher has long had an active part in Bucyrus literary circles, and was organizer and for several years president of the Current Events Club and for two years was president of the City Federated Clubs.

William A. Smith is one of the active citizens and business men of the town of Frankfort in Ross County. For a number of years he has been in the automobile business, being representative of the Ford Motor Company in his locality.

He was born in Morgan County, Ohio, January 10, 1882, son of William Penn and Margaret Jane (Adams) Smith. The Smith family came from Pennsylvania and the Adams from old Virginia. His paternal grandparents were John and Mary (Bush) Smith, and the maternal grandparents were Joseph and Violet (Breese) Adams. William Penn Smith has devoted his active career to farming. He served thirty years on the school board, has been mayor of Philo in Muskingum County, and was also a candidate for the State Legislature. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife died March 17, 1905. Of their seven children William A. is the oldest. Arthur M. married Blanch Conway. Luke B. married Edna Chappelear. Mary J. is the wife of Oscar Hale. Clarence E. married Wilda Reinhart. Emmett K. married Bonnie Williams. Everett, who is married and living in Oklahoma, was a soldier in the late war in the Thirty-fifth Division, enlisting from Oklahoma, and going overseas in August, 1917

William A. Smith finished his district and grammar school education at the age of nineteen, and took up as a vocation that of stationary engineer. For ten years he followed the work of an engineer and for two years was in charge of the light and water plant at Frankfort. While thus engaged he also took up the automobile repair business, opening a garage, and finally resigned his work with the city. In 1913 he became a sub agent under the Chillicothe Ford agent, and in the following year was appointed an agent with full responsibility in his own territory direct from the Ford Motor Company. Mr. Smith has a fine garage and has proved one of the very capable Ford representatives in Ross County. During the World war he was in the fourth class. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On June 27, 1906, he married Anna May Weller, third child of Albert and Mary (Axline) Weller. Her parents are farmers. The other children in the Weller family were: Homer, who married Eva French; Samuel, who married Nora Daringer; Fred, who is married; Nora, wife of Joseph Pletcher; Roy, who married Miss Miller; Mabel, wife of Thomas Mauler, and William, who was a soldier in the World war. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith are: Ellen T.; Russell, now deceased; and Mary Gladys.

George W. Holdren, M. D., has been engaged in the active general practice of his profession more than thirty-five years, and is now numbered among the representative physicians and surgeons of Ross County, where he maintains his home and professional headquarters in the village of Kingston. Special interest attaches to his service in and loyalty to Ross County, for he can claim the same as the place of his nativity. The doctor was born on a farm near Greenfield, this county, June 24, 1862. His father, William Holdren, long one of the substantial farmers and honored citizens of Ross County, passed away in March, 1922, at a venerable age, and the wife and mother died a number of years previously, both having been earnest members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which William Holdren served as a member of the official board. William and Mary E. (Long) Holdren became the parents of five children, Dr. George W., of this sketch, being the eldest of the number, and one daughter having died in infancy; Martin R., the second son, married Alma Moon, and they have one child, Emil; William L. died in the year 1900; Herbert H. married Stella Dellinger, and they reside in the City of Columbus, Ohio, their two children being Charlotte (Mrs. Gordon McPherson), and Charles Hazard. The late William Holdren was a man who lived a life of unostentatious integrity and usefulness, he having been in a quiet way an influential force in the ordering of community affairs and having given effective service as a member of the school board of his district. Both the Holdren and the Long families were founded in Virginia in the Colonial era of our national history, and records extant show that representatives of the Holdren family were patriot soldiers in the War of the Revolution. The paternal grandparents of Doctor Holdren were Archibald and Elizabeth Holdren, the former a son of Henry Holdren. The maternal grandparents were George and Rosanna (Bridwell) Long.

The initial educational discipline of Doctor Holdren was obtained in the district school near the

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old home farm, and thereafter he profited by the advantages of the National Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio. After six years of successful service as a teacher in the public schools of this section of Ohio he followed the course of his ambition and began preparing himself for the medical profession. In 1889 he was graduated from the Medical College of Ohio, in the city of Cincinnati, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he established his residence at Bloomingburg, Fayette County, where he built up a large and representative general practice and where he continued his zealous and able ministrations for more than a quarter of a century, with status as one of the honored citizens who was looked upon as guide, counselor and friend in the community. In November, 1917, Doctor Holdren returned to his native county, where he has since continued in active practice in the attractive Village of Kingston. He was long an influential member of the Fayette County Medical Society, and is now identified with the Ross County Medical Society, besides holding membership in the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. The doctor has completed the circle of York Rite Masonry, in which his maximum affiliation is with Garfield Commandery No. 28, Knights Templar, at Washington Courthouse, the judicial center of Fayette County. He has membership also in the Knights of Pythias, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Doctor Holdren has reinforced himself effectively in his convictions concerning governmental and economic matters, is a stalwart advocate of the principles of the republican party, and while a resident of Fayette County he served one term in the Ohio Senate.

September 11, 1884, was marked by the marriage of Doctor Holdren and Miss Jennie Kearney, daughter of the late James and Eleanor Kearney, the father having long been one of the substantial farmers of Ross County. There were six children in the Kearney family: Thomas is deceased, the family name of his wife having been Vaughan; James, whose wife bore the maiden name of Bruney, became the father of five children; John B. married and became the father of two daughters; Sarah likewise is married; Abraham and his wife became the parents of five children, and Jennie is the wife of Doctor Holdren of this review. Doctor and Mrs. Holdren became the parents of four children: Floyd P. married Miss Hulda Schwartz, and they reside in the City of Cleveland; Bernice Fay is the wife of George Borders, and their one child is a son, Lynn Myron; Sherla died in infancy; and Miss Pauline attended the Ohio University at Athens, and is (1924) bookkeeper for the J. W. Willis Lumber Company at Washington Court House, Fayette County.

In his native county, as well as in Fayette County, Doctor and Mrs. Holdren have a wide circle of friends, and one of their chief pleasures is that of extending to these friends the hospitality of their pleasant home at Kingston.

ELMER J. RIDGEWAY, who for many years has followed the business and profession of undertaking, and has the leading establishment of that kind in Jackson, is a native of Southern Ohio and represents some of the pioneer families in that section of the state.

He was born in Gallia County, May 26, 1863, son of Naret and Sarah Ellen (White) Ridgeway, while his grandparents were William and Jane (Doherty) Ridgeway, and Jacob and Rebecca (Swanson) White. The Ridgeway family came from Wales, first settling in North Carolina, from there three brothers came into Southern Ohio in pioneer times. Jacob White was a prominent abolitionist in the years before the Civil war, and his home being on the border of West Virginia he rendered much service as a conductor on the famous underground railway, hiding many fugitive slaves in his hay stacks and furthering them in their progress to the North and to freedom. His home was on the main road from old Virginia to Chillicothe, the ancient capital of Ohio.

Naret Ridgeway, who is living, during the Civil war acted as a wagon master for the Union army, and on account of his skill in throwing the lariat was usually employed in catching mules and horses that strayed away from camp. After the war he took up farming, and still lives on his farm in Gallia County at the age of ninety-one years. He is a republican in politics, and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife died about 1885. There were five children: Olive, who married Dr. C. D. Rawson, of Des Moines, Iowa, and has two children; Elmer J.; Edward E., who is married and living in Muncie, Indiana; Harriet, and Jessie, who married Ross Wells, of Indianapolis, and has one child.

Elmer J. Ridgeway grew up on his father's farm, attended the district schools and spent one year in Rio Grande College. For twelve years he was employed by C. H. Murray, an undertaker at Washington Court House, where he learned all the practice side of his business. He then entered the Massachusetts College of Embalming at Columbus, where he was graduated in 1907. For six years he was employed as an embalmer at Jackson, and then, in 1913, engaged in business for himself, and has made his the leading funeral service in the county. He is a member of the Ohio State Embalmers Association, is affiliated with the Elks and Eagles, is a member of the Jacksonian Club, the Country Club and the Presbyterian Church. During the Spanish-American war he tried to get into service, but was rejected because he was married and had a child.

In June, 1883, Mr. Ridgeway married Miss Lizzie Hare, whose father was a soldier in the Civil war. There were two children by this marriage, Howard, now deceased, and Margaret, who is the wife of Fred Horne and has one daughter, Marjorie. Mr. Ridgeway, after the death of his first wife, married Nellie Washam, daughter of Thomas and Tabitha (Branscomb) Washam. Her father, who died March 28, 1906, was a farmer and politician, serving as a member of the State Board of Equalization at Columbus for thirty years. Mr. and Mrs. Ridgeway have one child, Tabitha.

ANDREW CLARK LOWRY. The career of the late Dr. Andrew Clark Lowry, who died March 1, 1924, was identified with the City of Ironton, Lawrence County, in the capable performance of the duties and responsibilities of physician and surgeon for nearly a quarter of a century. After he retired from practice in 1920 he devoted his time to his investments and business interests and his public duties. He was one of the most influential citizens and men of affairs in that city.

Doctor Lowry, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, was born in Fayette County, West Virginia, March 4, 1870, and about five years after his birth his parents came to Ohio and established their home on a farm near Gallipolis in Gallia County. His parents, Lee and Mary Emily (Patterson) Lowry, were both natives of West Virginia. The paternal grandfather, William Howard Lowry, married a Miss Humphrey. The maternal grandparents were Joseph and Polly (Puckett) Patterson, the former of Scotch Irish and the latter of German stock. Lee Lowry served as a soldier of the Union during the Civil war, being with a West Virginia regiment. He was taken captive and for some time held a prisoner of war in the prison known as Devil's Dungeon. He still re-

sides in Gallia County, and has given the greater part of his active life to farming. He is a republican, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife is now deceased.

The early education of Doctor Lowry was acquired in the district schools of Gallia County, later in the public schools at Gallipolis, and in 1892, at the age of twenty-two, entered the medical department of the University of Ohio. From there he transferred to the Louisville Medical College in Kentucky, and was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in the class of 1896. Soon afterwards he opened his office and began general practice at Ironton. A year later he completed a postgraduate course in the New York Polyclinic, and at all times was a thorough student of his profession. He had a busy practice and was in the full maturity of his experience and abilities when he retired in 1920. He was affiliated with the Lawrence County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Lowry during the later years of his life had many important business responsibilities, being president of the Marting Iron & Steel Company, the Foster Stove Company, the Marting Hotel Company, was vice president of the Citizens National Bank, a director of the First National Bank, was owner of the Marlowe Theatre and at one time had been president of the Ironton Lumber Company, the Home Telephone Company and the Iron City Oil Company. His loyalty and excutive ability was evident in his connection with the civic and material advancement of his home city and county. He was never ambitious for public office, though he was elected and represented Lawrence County in the State Legislature and was a valued member of the Ironton Board of Education. In politics his allegiance was given to the republican party.

On February 10, 1897, at Ironton, Doctor Lowry married Miss Nelle M. Marting, daughter of Henry A. and Margaret C. (Duis) Marting, natives of Ohio. Her father was a prominent figure in the pig iron industry, was organizer of the Marting Iron & Steel Company at Ironton, and was head of the industry until his death. His widow resides at Ironton. The late Mr. Marting was a member of the Masonic fraternity and for many years on the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Lowry has been a leader in the social activities at Ironton, and her beautiful home is the center of gracious hospitality.

ROBERT K. SCHELLENGER has been actively identified with the commercial interests of Southern Ohio for a number of years. He is secretary of the Jackson Building and Loan Association, and is one of the civic leaders of his community.

Robert K. Schellenger was born at Jackson, January 14, 1873, son of William M. and Elizabeth (Bunn) Schellenger. The Schellengers were of Holland-Dutch ancestry, originally settled at Philadelphia, and came to Ohio in the early days. His grandfather Schellenger was one of the first county commissioners and was on the board when the first courthouse of Jackson County was erected, a building burned during Morgan's raid in the Civil war. The paternal grandparents of Mr. Schellenger were George Washington and Mary (Ward) Schellenger, and his maternal grandfather was Peter Bunn, who served as a Union soldier in the Civil war. William Schellenger, who died in 1906, was a farmer in Franklin Township of Jackson County. He was a Union soldier in the Seventy-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and subsequently a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Active in county affairs, he held the office of county auditor eight years, and his son Oscar was incumbent of that office for a similar period. Elizabeth (Bunn) Schellenger, his wife, died in 1917. They had a family of fourteen children: Charles, who married Jessie Bryan, and died in 1913, leaving three children; Katherine, who married Mattison Patton and had three children; Morton, who married Mary Faris, and had four children; Mary, who died unmarried at the age of twenty-five; Oscar, deceased, who married Bertha Miller and had two children; Eliza, who became the wife of Frank Mayhew, is the mother of two children; Harmon, who married Clara Willis, and had four children; Robert K.; Washington, who was the father of one child by his marriage to Minnie Hood; twin sons, Harrison, unmarried, and Herbert, who married Hattie Phillips and had two children; Clyde, who is married and the father of two children; Albert, who died when eight years of age; and Lola, who died unmarried.

Robert K. Schellenger grew up on his father's farm, finished his education in the district schools at the age of seventeen, and as a youth performed some heavy manual labor, spending one year in a brick yard at Jackson, Ohio, and did draying for one year. For thirteen years he was connected with the wholesale grocery house of French, Chestnut & Robins, in the shipping department, and for two years was on the road as traveling representative for the wholesale grocery house of Eldridge & Higgins. Following that Mr. Schellenger engaged in the retail grocery business at Jackson, and conducted a store there for eight years. On selling out he became secretary of the Building & Loan Association, and has since given all his time to the administrative details of this institution, which is one of the largest building and loan associations in Jackson County. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Elks, member of the Jacksonian Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Christian Church.

Mr. Schellenger married at Jackson, November 9, 1898, Miss Ida M. Whitlach, daughter of Elijah and Isabell (Colly) Whitlach. Her father, now deceased, was a pioneer furnace man of the Southern Ohio iron district and an active member of the Christian Church. There were five children in the Whitlach family; Joseph, who married Mattie Lowe and had five children; Maggie, who died unmarried; Jennie, who died unmarried; Ida Mae, and William, who married Eliza Stoneburger and had one child.

The three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Schellenger are Harold, Stanley and Maurice. Stanley and Maurice Lee are both attending the Jackson High School. Harold graduated from the Jackson High School, and in 1924 completed the course in journalism at the Ohio State University at Columbus. He was only twelve years of age, when during vacations at school, he began working in the office of the Jackson Herald, and subsequently was an employe of the Standard Journal of Jackson. He has been with that old paper ever since, and now owns 70 per cent of the stock in the publishing company. While attending the school of journalism he continued to write all the editorials for the paper. During his first year at Ohio State University he was employed on the Columbus Dispatch, and during his second year he took the management of the Community News, a weekly paper published in the interest of the Columbus suburban communities of Grand View Heights, Marble Cliff and Upper Arlington. The church people of these towns, giving up their denominational preferences, united to found an organization known as the First Community Church, and the Community News has become the official organ of this church. The church now has a membership of over 800, and is now building a handsome new church, with a seating capacity of 1,000. Mr. Schellenger plans to devote all his time to the editorial management of the Standard Journal at Jackson. His two

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younger brothers are planning likewise to take up newspaper work and join him. Harold Schellenger is a member of the Alpha Phi Sigma Phi college fraternity.

ALVAH G. RAY, M. D. A physician who has honored his profession by thirty years of devoted service is Dr. Alvah G. Ray of Jackson. He has practiced medicine in Jackson County since he graduated from medical college, and has exemplified some of the best ideals and traditions of the medical profession.

Doctor Ray was born at Byer, in Jackson County, January 30, 1867, son of John G. and Louisa (Dixon) Ray. The Ray family is of Scotch, and the Dixons were also probably of the same ancestry. Both the Rays and Dixons came from North Carolina, the Dixons arriving in Southern Ohio in 1805. His paternal grandfather, Thomas Ray, was a wagon maker and married Charity Graves, whose people also came from North Carolina. The maternal grandparents of Doctor Ray were Joseph and Rachel (Wilkinson) Dixon. John G. Ray, his father, was a farmer in Jackson County, and very active in the religious and educational interests of his community. He served for years as an elder in the Christian Church, and held the office of justice of the peace twenty-six years. During the Civil war he was a member of the Home Guards, and was called out for active duty during the Morgan raid through Southern Ohio. John G. Ray died in 1896. His wife preceded him, dying in 1895. They had seven children: Lorenzo D., who married Maranda Brooks; Electa, who married Lewis W. Smallwood; Priscilla, who married William M. Brooks; Teague, who married Phoebe Lively; Joseph H., who married Hester Burris, and Ethelbert S., who married Zoe E. Smallwood.

Alvah G. Ray grew up in a rural community, attended district schools, and largely through his own exertions and earnings paid for advanced education in commercial and scientific courses in the normal schools at Lebanon and Ada. For eight years he alternated between teaching in winter terms and attending summer sessions of school. Following that he took up the study of medicine in the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1894. Doctor Ray for twenty-one years practiced medicine in his native community of Byers, and since October, 1915, has been located in the City of Jackson. He still looks after a general practice, but much of his work is done as a specialist in X-ray, for which he has complete equipment and apparatus. During the World war he tried to get into active duty, but had to be satisfied with the service he could render as a member of the Medical Reserve Corps.

WAR RECORD OF M. A. RAY

He enlisted in Troop B, First Ohio Cavalry, at Columbus, Ohio, on April 9, 1917, and was later transferred to Troop H, Third Ohio Cavalry. When accepted for federal service this regiment was changed to artillery, and Doctor Ray was then in Battery C, One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Field Artillery. They were mobilized on July 14th at Columbus, Ohio. The same day Doctor Ray obtained a transfer to Battery F, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Field Artillery, then mobilized at Jackson, and was appointed duty sergeant.

On September 28, 1917, they entrained for Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and remained there until June 15, 1918, when they entrained for Camp Upton, Long Island. On June 28th the command sailed from New York, landing in Liverpool, England, about July 13th, were passed by train through England to Southampton and from there sailed for France, landing at Le Havre on July 15th, leaving there a few days later for Camp De Souge, near Bordeaux. They remained here, training on the artillery range, until the middle of September, when they left for the front. There they occupied positions in the Maybach sector (opposite Metz) and in the St. Mihiel sector. After the armistice they were billeted near Souilly until February 28, 1919, when they entrained for Le Mans were entrained for Brest, sailed from Brest on the President Grant about March 20th, and landed at Newport News, Virginia, on April 2d. They arrived at Camp Sherman about April 12th, and were discharged April 16, 1919.

Doctor Ray is government pension examiner in his district, and a member of the County and State American Medical associations. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic lodge, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Red Men, the Moose and Modern Woodmen. September 4, 1895, Doctor Ray married Miss Lillian M. Vollenweider, the oldest of the three children of John and Tina Vollenweider. Her brother Otto is an attorney, and married Ethel Leacox, of Lexington, Kentucky, while her sister Lena is the wife of Dr. W. J. Ogier, of Wellston, in Jackson County. Her father was born in Switzerland, came to this country in 1866, and as an expert mechanical engineer designed and superintended the construction of various plants all over the country.

Doctor and Mrs. Ray had three children, Harold, who died at the age of seventeen months, Arden and Carl. The son Arden is a veteran of the World war, having served with Battery F of the One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Field Artillery. He was in Alsace-Lorraine during his active service on the battle front. He is now an electrician with the Commonwealth Edison Company of Chicago. Carl graduated from the high school at Jackson, and is attending his second year at the Ohio University, taking a pre-medical course. Doctor and Mrs. Ray are members of the Christian Church at Jackson, Ohio, and Doctor Ray is teacher of the largest men's class in Southern Ohio.

CHARLES W. G. HANNAH is a lawyer by profession, but for many years has been chiefly identified with the real estate, lumber and building business at Portsmouth. In business and public affairs he is recognized as one of the leaders in that properous Southern Ohio community.

He is a native of Kentucky and was born about eight miles from the City of Portsmouth, in Greenup County, May 28, 1881. His father, James L. Hannah, was born in Kentucky, son of Gabriel and Mary (Triplett) Hannah, who were of Irish descent, and came to Kentucky from Virginia. His mother, Matilda Robinett, was born in old Virginia, daughter of Elias and Julia (Wells) Robinett. James L. Hannah as a young man became a farmer, and from that extended his industries to the timber business, becoming a manufacturer and dealer in railroad timbers, ties and lumber. In connection with this business he opened and conducted a general store at Bennett's Mills in Kentucky. A life of well directed industry and initiative brought him commendable prosperity and a place of substantial influence in his community. He died May 26, 1921, and his wife passed away in December, 1910.

Charles W. G. Hannah was educated in district school in Greenup County, Kentucky. As a youth he understood that his career would depend upon his own industry, economy and enterprise. He completed a course in the Greenup County Normal School, received a certificate to teach, and for six years was a teacher in Greenup and Lewis counties, Kentucky. In the meantime he took up the study of law in the Southern Normal School at Bowling Green, and in 1904, after examination, was admitted

to the bar and practiced law in Greenup, Kentucky. During the next two years he combined law practice with teaching, and in 1906 engaged in the real estate business by laying out and marketing an addition to Russell, Kentucky, then a small but thriving village about eight miles from Greenup. He named the subdivision Worthington, in honor of W. J. Worthington, a noted lawyer, orator and a former lieutenant-governor of Kentucky, from whom he purchased the land.

In 1909 young Hannah subdivided and promoted the sale of the Morton Addition to Fullerton, a growing village on the Kentucky side of the Ohio River, immediately south of Portsmouth. In disposing of this subdivision he exchanged some of the lots for Portsmouth improved property to care for and dispose of, which he moved from Greenup to Portsmouth in 1910, and located here only temporarily.

Like many young men of the past the subject of our sketch felt the call to the Great West, and when he left Greenup it was his intention to proceed to Arizona, where he expected to locate permanently and "grow up with the country" in his chosen profession of law as soon as he had disposed of his Portsmouth holdings, but his efforts in this direction resulted in his increasing his real estate interests in the Peerless City, and with it his desire to remain here instead of going on westward, until he has become very permanently a resident of the city he has long since been glad he couldn't get away from. For six years after locating in Portsmouth he devoted most of his time to developing subdivisions. Long Meadow, Maplewood and the Northern Addition all now substantial residential sections of Portsmouth, and splendid suburban allotments in scores of towns and cities throughout Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio owe their existence to the ingenuity of our subject during this period of his life.

In 1917, Mr. Hannah having fully decided to remain in Portsmouth, founded and incorporated the Land Office, of which he has always been president, and for several years practically sole owner. This institution has enjoyed a phenomenal growth and is favorably and widely known for the liberal service it has rendered to persons of modest means in acquiring homes.

Through the Land Office, Mr. Hannah has done an extensive general real estate, insurance and building business. In connection with his building business he operates a planing mill, lumber yard and builders' supply warehouse, and does a general retail business in this line. By this system he manufactures and builds homes at a much lower cost than his competitors, and is always able to make price an inducement to the prospective home buyer and investor.

Since establishing the Land Office he has continued to promote the development and sale of a number of subdivisions in and near Portsmouth, namely: Park Place, Valley View, Highland Bend, Long Run Gardens, River View Farms, Richland Farms, Terrace Court, Hannah's North Side Allotment, Hannah's Sixth Street Allotment and the Frowine Addition.

Mr. Hannah while a resident of Greenup County, Kentucky, was very active in local and state politics, serving as a member of the Kentucky Legislature, two terms. While in the Legislature he took part in the contest between Paynter and Blackburn for the United States Senate in 1906, and in the struggle waged between Bradley and Beckman for the same position two years later.

Mr. Hannah married in Boyd County, Kentucky, in October, 1903, Miss Sophia E. Prichard, daughter of Senator Jerome T. and Olivia (Bolt) Prichard. Her father is still living. Both parents represented prominent Kentucky families. Her father was a farmer and stockman, and one of the prominent leaders in the democratic party in Kentucky, holding offices as county commissioner, member of the school board and chairman of the Democratic County Committee, and serving a term in the Kentucky State Senate.

Mr. and Mrs. Hannah have three children: J. Prichard, Charlotte Ruth and Mark Bradley. They are members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Hannah belongs to the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Benjamin Franklin Wills, of Wellston, has had a busy career of useful effort, having been a merchant and is now proprietor of a prosperous general insurance agency and real estate business.

He was born in Jackson Township of Jackson County, September 30, 1876, son of John L. and Mary A. (Vaughters) Wills. The Wills family came from old Virginia, and the Vaughters were of Pennsylvania-Dutch ancestry. His paternal grandfather was Woodson Wills. His maternal grandparents were Richard and Nancy (Thompson) Vaughters. John L. Wills spent his active career as a farmer, and during the Civil war was a Union soldier in Company K of the Ninety-first Ohio Infantry, and after the war became identified with the Grand Army of the Republic. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Both parents died in the same year, 1895, the father on September 19, and the mother on April 21. They had nine children: Richard W., who by his marriage to Anna Harper had three children; Dr. John W., of Wellston, married Minnie G. Springer and has two children; James S., now deceased, married Dora Stockman and left four children; Alonzo died when one year old; Dr. L. E. is a practicing physician at Waverly, Ohio, and by his marriage to Georgia McCoppin has three children; Thomas died when two years old; Benjamin F.; Flora is the wife of Charles A. Dray, and the mother of six children, and Verna O., the youngest, is the wife of Calvin Clark, and the mother of one child.

Benjamin Franklin Wills attended district schools in Jackson County, also attended school at Richmond Dale, and completed his education in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, where at the time the present United States Senator Frank Willis was then a teacher. Mr. Wills taught school for five years, beginning before he entered the college at Ada, and taught during intervals of his attendance there. After he gave up school work he entered the retail clothing business at Wellston, and was a merchant there for nine years. On selling out he engaged in the general insurance and real estate business.

Mr. Wills married at Wellston on October 29, 1903, Miss Vera O. Springer, daughter of Pleasant and Caroline (Leach) Springer. Her father was a Union soldier in the Thirty-eighth Ohio Heavy Artillery, was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, followed farming as a vocation and for several terms was a county commissioner. There were six children in the Springer family: Minnie G., Edith A., Lulu A., Vera O., Lillie M., and Emmett V. Mr. and Mrs. Wills have four children, Benjamin Franklin, Vera Alene, George C. and Marjorie. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Wills is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, also an Eastern Star member.

William Frederick Lohaas, D. D. S., has practiced his profession as a dentist for nearly thirty

Coke Roight Coster

years. He is one of the capable members of his profession in Ohio, and most of his work has been done at Millersburg. Millersburg is his native city, where he was born July 17, 1871, son of Martin and Mary (Hizelman) Lohaas. His father, who was born in Germany, in 1824, came to the United States when about twenty years of age, and spent most of his active life in Holmes County. He died in 1895. He married in Holmes County Mary Hizelman, who was born near Millsbrook, in Wayne County, Ohio, and died in 1920, at the age of seventy-five. Martin Lohaas was a Catholic and his wife a member of the German Lutheran Church.

William Frederick Lohaas was one of five children. He grew up at Millersburg, attended the public schools, and in 1894 graduated from the Ohio College of Dental Surgery. In 1895 he took up the practice of dentistry at Dresden, Ohio, and after four years moved to Millersburg. Doctor Lohaas has never married. He lived with his mother until her death. In Masonry he is affiliated with the Lodge at Dresden, the Royal Arch Chapter at Millersburg, the Knights Templar Commandery at Wooster, and the Shrine at Cleveland.

Howard W. Ankrom is a native of Greenfield, is now practicing law at Wellston, and is a veteran of the World war, being one of the younger men prominent in the professional and public affairs of Jackson County.

Mr. Ankrom was born in Greenfield, Highland County, June 14, 1892, son of Rhesa and Laura (Santee) Ankrom. His father was born in Vinton County, Ohio, and the grandparents were Jesse and Martha (Ewing) Ankrom, the former now eighty-three years of age, while the maternal grandparents were George and Martha Santee. Rhesa and Laura (Santee) Ankrom reside in Cincinnati, Ohio. The former has been a traveling salesman for cigars and in the coal business, and is a member of the Elks Lodge and the Methodist Episcopal Church. The only other child, Bernice, married James H. Price, and has a daughter, Louise.

Howard W. Ankrom finished his education in the Greenfield High School in 1911, and then attended Ohio State University at Columbus. He was graduated in the law course in 1914, at the age of twenty-two, and began his professional career at Atlanta, Georgia, with the law firm of Dorsey, Brewster, Howell and Heyman.

After America entered the World war he gave up his professional work in Atlanta, and enlisted June 25, 1918. He was in training at Camp Sherman at Chillicothe, Ohio, about forty days, being a corporal in Company C of the Three Hundred Ninth Supply Train. He went with his command to Camp Mills and about August 1, 1918, sailed from Hoboken, landing at Liverpool, three days later at Southampton, and crossed the channel to La Havre. His regiment was in active duty, covering all the headquarters camps, hospitals and front lines with supplies and ammunition. Mr. Ankrom in the course of his service was stricken with pneumonia, and for three months was in hospitals at Dijon and St. Nazaire. He sailed for the United States on a hospital ship, and from embarkation hospital was sent to Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and from there to Camp Sherman, where he received his honorable discharge June 18, 1919. After a short rest on his return to Wellston he began working in his father's coal office, and then took up the profession of law and has since enjoyed a satisfactory general practice. He became city solicitor of Wellston January 1, 1922, and was reelected for a second term when the voters wrote his name on the ballot.

On October 22, 1920, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, he married Miss Helen Mathews, daughter of Henry and Ollie (Glenn) Mathews. Her father is manager of the Atlantic & Pacific store at Wellston. Mrs. Ankrom's brothers and sisters are: Mildred; Raymond, who married Ruth Dempsey and has a son, Kenneth; Glenn, who married Thomas Charlene Thompson, and has a daughter, Bettie Jane. Mr. and Mrs. Ankrom have two children, Howard W., Jr., and Laura. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Ankrom is a member of the American Legion, is an exalted ruler of the Lodge of Elks, and belongs to the Knights of Pythias and Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Coke Leigh Doster. The leading representative of the Greenfield bar, is Coke Leigh Doster, who has been in practice there for over a quarter of a century, has had an extended clientage, including the principal business institutions and individuals, and has also made an enviable record of service in public affairs, being former state senator.

Mr. Doster was born in Fayette County, Ohio, July 16, 1871. His grandparents, John and Catherine (Mooney) Doster, came from Virginia. John Doster was born at Culpeper Court House, Virginia, in 1797, was a farmer and cabinet maker, and died November 5, 1857. The father of the Greenfield attorney was Robert Barclay Doster, who was born in Fayette County, Ohio, July 22, 1835, devoted a long and active life to farming interests, and died June 18, 1923, when nearly eighty-eight years of age. He married Catherine Leasure, who was born near New Holland in Fayette County, Ohio, and resides at Greenfield, enjoying good health at the age of eighty.

Coke Leigh was second of a family of six children, all of whom are living. His brother J. B. Doster resides in Springfield, Ohio, and is secretary to the Crowell Publishing Company. Four sisters are: Sada D. Trump, who is connected with the Greenfield public schools; Mrs. J. P. Murphy and Mrs. J. H. McMillen, residing in Cleveland, Ohio; and Fern Doster, who is at the present time supervisor of the Hillsboro Hospital, she being a graduate nurse.

Senator Doster attended school near New Martinsburg, Ohio, subsequently continuing his education in the Ohio State University of Columbus, Ohio, and on June 19, 1896, was admitted to the bar. His practice has been continuous at Greenfield since 1897. He is local attorney for the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railroad Company, The Peoples National Bank, and the J. A. Harps Manufacturing Company. He is a stockholder and director of The Peoples National Bank of Greenfield. During the World war the Senator gave up much of his private law practice to give his time to the Government in raising funds and assisting the selective service board, and was chairman of several of the war committees at Greenfield. His record of public service includes two terms as mayor of Greenfield and sixteen years as city solicitor. His term as state senator was during the years 1910-12, when he represented the Fifth-sixth Ohio Districts. He is a republican, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Rotary and Greenfield Country clubs.

Mr. Doster married Miss Gertrude Myrtle Priddy, who was born near Washington Court House, Ohio, October 11, 1871, and acquired her early education in the public schools at Fayette County and at Glenwood Springs, Colorado. She is a member of the Country Club, and of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Doster have three children: The oldest, Harry Audleigh, born in Fayette County, April 16, 1895, graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1914, and while a student in Ohio State University volun-

teered as a private soldier and immediately entered the World war. On December 8, 1917, he was sent to Fort Thomas, Kentucky, for training, but owing to ill health was not accepted for overseas duties, being sent to San Antonio, Texas, and later to Van Couver, Washington, where he acted as an aide to the commanding officer until his discharge at the end of the war. This son married Garnette Dailey at Greenfield in January, 1924.

The second child is Kathleen Marie, born at Greenfield, October 7, 1897. She graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1916, in 1918 completed a course in home economics at Battle Creek, Michigan, and has taught home economics in the Carolina College at Maxton, North Carolina, and for two years in the McClain High School at Greenfield. In 1923 she returned for post-graduate work in the Battle Creek College. The second daughter, Dorothy Priddy, born December 7, 1899, graduated from high school at Greenfield in 1917, attended the Greenfield Business College, and during the World war she was employed in Government service at the McCook Aviation Field, Dayton, Ohio. In the year 1920 she became the wife of Hugh Weimar at Covington, Kentucky, and they now live at Cleveland, where he is a clerical employe of the Pennsylvania Railway Company.

David D. Davis, president of the Oak Hill Savings Bank Company at Oak Hill, Jackson County, is one of a family of brothers that have been foremost in the industrial and business development of this village. His brothers are Evan J. and Edward P., and all three were associated in the founding and ownership of the leading brick manufacturing establishment that gives industrial prosperity to Oak Hill.

David D. Davis was born in Gallia County, Ohio, March 12, 1867, son of John and Margaret J. (Evans) Davis, and grandson of David J. and Jane (Richards) Davis, and of Evan and Margaret (Richards) Evans. His grandparents were all born in Wales, coming to the United States in 1840 and settling in Gallia County. David J. Davis was a farmer. The older brothers of John Davis were soldiers in the Fifty-sixth Ohio Infantry in the Civil war. John Davis as a youth worked in the saw mill and lumber business, farmed for a time, helping develop a farm in the woods, and from 1867 to 1873 was a merchant. Selling out his store in 1873, he returned to the lumbering industry, and operated a saw milling plant near the river. He was killed in an explosion in his mill in 1881. His wife, Margaret J. Davis, survived him until 1913. Both were active members of the Congregational Church. Their five children were David D., Evan J., Edward P., Miss Margaret J. and Anna M. The only one married is Evan J., who married May Thomas.

David D. Davis attended district schools and select school, and at his father's death in 1881 left school to go to work. He was then about fifteen years of age. The family had moved to Oak Hill about 1876. In 1882 he went to work in a brick yard, and by practical experience learned all phases of the brick industry. He was employed by the Oak Hill Fire Brick and Coal Company from 1882 to 1898, being superintendent. In 1898 he and his two brothers organized the Ohio Fire Brick Company, and in 1901 organized the Davis Company, and the three brothers have owned and controlled since then the Ohio Fire Brick Company, the Davis Fire Brick Company, the Cambria Clay Product Company, and also are heavily interested in the Oak Hill Savings Bank. David D. Davis is president of these corporations, his brothers being associated as directors and in other official capacities. They are also heavily interested in the Jackson Iron and Steel Company of Jackson. The Oak Hill Savings Bank Company acquired in 1902 the original bank establishment at Oak Hill, twenty years earlier.

During the World war David D. Davis was prominent in all the various war activities, and his bank handled over 85 per cent of the entire quota assigned the Oak Hill community.

Robert Wilson Caldwell, M. D. The service that has made Robert Wilson Caldwell one of the honored citizens of Jackson County has been rendered through nearly thirty years as a competent physician and surgeon, with home at the county seat.

Doctor Caldwell was born at Chillicothe, Ross County, Ohio, May 8, 1867, son of Samuel and Maria Elizabeth (Wollam) Caldwell. The Caldwells came to Ohio from Pennsylvania. His paternal grandparents were John L. and Mary (McFarlan) Caldwell, and his maternal grandfather was Noah Wollam. Samuel Caldwell, who died March 13, 1924, lived to be past ninety years of age, was for many years an architect and building contractor at Columbus, and was a member of the Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Maria Elizabeth Wollam, have four children: Sarah, who married D. C. Marshall, and has two children, Margaret and Mabel; Emma, unmarried; George B., who married Lillian Weller; and Robert Wilson. Dr. R. W. Caldwell has two half brothers, Mark and Harold, both residents of Columbus and engaged in manufacturing the Better-Baby Crib; and half sister, Josephine E., wife of William Rader. Mark married Georgianna Braid, deceased, and Harold married Avanel Nichols, also deceased, and has four children, named Samuel, Mark, Mary and Fannie Jane.

Robert Wilson Caldwell attended public schools at Greenfield, Ohio, graduating from high school in 1886. He had two years of advanced training in the Worthington Normal, and for seven years he was in business as superintendent of the pad factory. He took up the study of medicine at the Pulte Medical College of Cincinnati, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1895. Soon afterward he moved to Jackson, and much of his work has been in the field of surgery. He has taken post-graduate work in the New York Polyclinic, and during the World war was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps and finally, on October 28, 1918, was called to active service at Camp Taylor at Louisville. He was relieved December 20, 1918, but still holds a commission in the Medical Reserve Corps. Doctor Caldwell is a member of the County and State Medical societies, and is also a member of the Hahnemann or Homeopathic Medical Society. He belongs to the Country Club, the Knights of Columbus, Royal Arcanum and Elks, and he and his family are members of the Catholic Church.

On October 1, 1891, at Greenfield, Ohio, Doctor Caldwell married Miss Margaret E. Mack, daughter of Patrick and Margaret (Hurley) Mack. She is a cousin of the famous manager of the Philadelphia baseball team, Connie Mack. Her father is a carpenter and builder and is associated in business with a son. The Macks are Catholic in religious faith. Mrs. Caldwell's parents came from County Carey, Ireland. Her grandmother on her father's side was a Sullivan, and her maternal grandfather was a Hurley. Her mother's father was liberally educated and was a teacher in the old country. One of her great-grandfathers was a McGillicody, of the noted family of that name in New York, New England and Ohio. The McGillicody and Sullivan families possess three coats of arms. Mrs. Caldwell is the fifth child of her parents. The others were: Mary, unmarried; Hannah, deceased; Nell, widow of Elbert Scott, and mother of one son, Robert; Miss Nora; Thomas, deceased; and John, of Greenfield, Ohio.

Doctor and Mrs. Caldwell had one son, Clarence, now deceased.

W. Cranston Claar is junior member of Claar Brothers, clothing merchants, a firm that has been in existence for over a quarter of a century, and the business is one that has been conducted at Jackson for over thirty years. His partner and associate is Ripley C. Claar. Jackson County honors the Claar family among the earliest pioneer settlers. Samuel Claar, grandfather of Claar brothers, was born in Pennsylvania in 1800. Three years later his father, Jacob Claar, came West, down the Ohio River and by wagon and team into Jackson County, at a time when practically all the land was owned by the Government. The family erected one of the typical log houses of that day, and Samuel Claar also developed a new homestead and was one of the useful citizens of his community until his death, when past ninety years of age. Samuel Claar married Lydia Stropes, whose father, John Stropes, came from England.

William Claar, father of Claar brothers, is now eighty-seven years of age. He was born in Franklin Township of Jackson County, March 5, 1837, and attended a log schoolhouse to obtain his early education. As a young man he took up farming on his own account, and in 1864 assisted in raising a company of troops, of which he was elected second lieutenant, the company subsequently being mustered in as Company I of the One Hundred Seventy-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry. With this command he did guard duty for four months. He has been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and is an official of the Christian Church. During his long life of industry he has done much to improve the old homestead farm of his father. William Claar married in March, 1862, Emily Schellenger, who was born in Franklin Township of Jackson County, daughter of Washington and Eliza (Ward) Schellenger. She died December 17, 1919, the mother of eight children: Carey W., unmarried; Ella E., unmarried; Mary Emma, deceased; Jesse I., who married Mildred Patterson, and their three children are William, Morris and Ripley; Ripley C., senior member of Claar Brothers; Herschel H.; W. Cranston; and Edna, wife of Walter Patterson, and mother of three children, named Mildred, Clarice and Wilburt.

W. Cranston Claar was born in Jackson County, July 31, 1873, and was reared on the old homestead farm, attending the district schools and the Normal School at Oak Hill. For a time he engaged in teaching and working on the farm, and in 1897 joined his brother at Jackson, buying out the interest of his brother's partner, Mr. Schellenger, in the clothing business. That was the origin of the firm of Claar Brothers, and Cranston Claar has given the best years of his life to this successful mercantile house.

He is a member of the Baptist Church and is a Knight Templar Mason, an Elk and Knight of Pythias.

In April, 1907, W. Cranston Claar married at Jackson, Miss Minnie Walters, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Jones) Walters. Her father died about 1909 and her mother in 1920. Her father was in the coal business, and was an active leader in the Baptist Church. The five children in the Walters family were: Mrs. Minnie Claar; Carrie, who married Charles E. Irvin, and had two children, named Bettie and Billie; Edith, wife of Ira Aten, and the mother of seven children, named David, Mary, Dorothy, Katherine, Robert, Charles and Winifred; Miss Ida and Benjamin, deceased. Mr. and Mrs. W. Cranston Claar have one son, Edward W., born in 1911.

Ripley C. Claar, senior member of Claar Brothers, was born in Jackson County, July 14, 1869. He was educated in the district schools, in the Oak Hill Normal, and at the age of seventeen began teaching. For four years he taught in district schools, following which he had eighteen months of experience in the office of the Columbus Buggy Company, Columbus. In 1891 he returned to Jackson and with Mr. Schellenger established the clothing firm of Schellenger and Claar. In 1897 Mr. Schellenger sold out to W. Cranston Claar, and since then the Claar brothers have owned and operated the business.

Ripley C. Claar married, October 17, 1897, Miss Lena Martin, daughter of Samuel G. and Mary Ellen (James) Martin. She was the only child of her parents. Her father was a soldier in the Civil war with a regiment of heavy artillery, was in the shoe business for many years at Jackson, and afterward retired and died in 1915. Her mother died in 1898.

Gen. Nathaniel Massie, founder of Chillicothe, and one of the leaders in settlement north of the Ohio River, was a Virginian by birth, and by training was a surveyor, backwoodsman and frontiersman. He was born December 28, 1763. His father, Maj. Nathaniel Massie, was a Virginia farmer who believed that his sons after getting their education should become usefully employed and earn their own way. Nathaniel chose surveying as his occupation. In 1780, when seventeen years of age, he was permitted by his father to become a substitute in the American Army of the Revolution. Returning from the army, he completed his study of surveying and in the fall of 1783 set out for the West, the West at that time lying just over the mountains in what is now Kentucky and Ohio. He carried a letter of recommendation to Gen. James Wilkinson, and he remained in Kentucky five or six years, part of the time being associated in business with General Wilkinson, one of their enterprises being the manufacture of salt. He soon became very expert in surveying and locating land. It is said that he could steer his course with great exactness in clear and cloudy weather and compute distances more correctly than most of the old hunters. He could endure fatigue and hunger with more composure than many who were inured to want on the frontier. In all the perilous situations in which he was placed he was conspicuous for his good feeling and happy temperament of his mind. His courage was of a cool and dispassionate character, which added to great circumspection in times of danger, gave him a complete ascendency over his companions, who were always willing to follow when Massie led the way.

He made his first excursion into the interior of the region northwest of Ohio in 1788. Early in 1791 he founded the Town of Manchester, on the north side of the Ohio and a few miles from Maysville, Kentucky. This was the first settlement in the Virginia military district and the fourth within the bounds of the State of Ohio. During 1793-96 General Massie engaged in extensive survey of the region between the Scioto and Little Miami rivers, and in the spring of 1796 he led a company from Manchester to a point on the Scioto River near the mouth of Paint Creek, where Massie owned a large tract of land, and on this land he laid out the site of the Town of Chillicothe, which subsequently became the first capital of the State of Ohio, and largely through the influence of General Massie it attracted to its citizenship the most conspicuous men in the state.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century General Massie was one of the largest land owners in the state. In 1802 he became a member of the Constitutional Convention which met at Chillicothe, was elected to the Senate in the first General Assembly after the adoption of the constitution, was chosen to act as speaker, and he was elected the first major-general of

the Second Division of the Militia of Ohio. In 1807 he and Col. Return J. Meigs were opposing candidates for the office of governor, Colonel Meigs receiving a small majority. General Massie contested the election on the ground that Colonel Meigs had lost his citizenship and the General Assembly upheld his contention and declared that General Massie was the duly elected governor. However, General Massie declined the office. The last act of his public life was to raise volunteers to go to the relief of Fort Meigs, besieged by British and Indians, in the spring of 1813. In the fall of that year he was attacked by a disease and died November 3, 1813, at the age of fifty.

In 1800 General Massie married Susan Meade, daughter of Col. David Meade, of Kentucky, owner of a magnificent estate and home near Lexington. Mrs. Massie died in 1833. In 1870 the bodies of both were removed and buried with Masonic honors in the beautiful cemetery overlooking the City of Chillicothe, with which the name of Massie is more intimately associated than with any other. General Massie was survived by three sons and two daughters.

David Meade Massie, president of the First National Bank of Chillicothe, is a grandson of that distinguished character in early Ohio history, Gen. Nathaniel Massie, whose career is given in the preceding sketch.

His father, Henry Massie, was the youngest child of Gen. Nathaniel Massie, and was born July 11, 1811, about two years before his father's death. Henry Massie spent most of his early life at the home of his grandfather, Col. David Meade, and graduated from Transylvania University at Lexington in 1828. He studied law, was admitted to the bar, and for a number of years employed his legal talents and his industry in clearing up the hopeless confusion that had settled upon the estate of General Massie. In that way he became an authority on land law and real estate law. He also became interested in banking, and was president of the Chillicothe Bank when he died March 10, 1862.

Henry Massie married Susan Burton Thompson, daughter of John B. Thompson, of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. The only child of the late Henry Massie, David Meade Massie, was born at Chillicothe, February 26, 1859. He was liberally educated, graduating from Princeton University in 1880 with the Bachelor of Arts degree and receiving the Master of Arts degree in 1883. In 1882 he graduated from the Cincinnati Law School, was admitted to the bar, and was engaged in private practice at Chillicothe from 1884 until the increasing burdens of business and public service claimed most of his time. Mr. Massie was elected a member of the Ohio Senate in 1887, was re-elected in 1889, and from 1888 to 1907 served as a trustee of Ohio State University. He was a delegate to the Republic National Conventions of 1896 and 1916. He served as a commissioner to take testimony in Cuba under the Spanish Treaty Claims Commission from 1902 to 1909.

Mr. Massie for many years has been a director and president of the First National Bank of Chillicothe. He is also president of the Scioto Gazette Company, and has been interested in the ownership of that old newspaper for many years. He is vice president of the Valley Savings Bank & Trust Company of Chillicothe, is secretary and treasurer of the Marcus Boggs Estate Company, and a director of the Columbus Railway, Power & Light Company.

Mr. Massie is president of the Chillicothe Country Club, is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is a Mason and Elk. Like his father and grandfather, he went to Kentucky to find his wife. On November 6, 1883, he married Miss Juliet Matthews, of Covington, Kentucky, youngest daughter of Maj. Thomas A. Matthews, and sister of Claude Matthews, former governor of the State of Indiana.

Harry C. Jordan is secretary of the Security Savings Loan Company at Lancaster, judicial center of Fairfield County, and is one of the representative business men of the younger generation in this vital little city. On both the paternal and maternal sides he is a representative of sterling pioneer families of the Buckeye State. His paternal grandparents, James and Sarah Jordan, were born in Ohio, and the former's father came to this state from Virginia about the year 1815, he having first settled in Noble County and later having moved to Vinton County, where was born his son James. James Jordan married Miss Sarah Turner, whose parents came to Ohio from Virginia in the second decade of the nineteenth century, about the same time as did the Jordans. The maternal grandparents of the subject of this review were John and Helen (Reme) Shively, the latter's parents having come to the United States from their native France, and having early established residence in Ohio.

On the parental home farm in Vinton County, Ohio, Harry C. Jordan was born January 21, 1893, and in that county his father still resides, the mother having passed away in 1910. Mr. Jordan is a son of Seymore and Etta (Shively) Jordan, of whose children he was the second in order of birth, the eldest being Winifred, who is the wife of John Amerine; Sarah is the wife of Ernest Bishop; Dorothy is the wife of Earl Smith; Lane married Ruth Patton; and Lloyd is still a bachelor.

The public schools of his native county afforded Harry C. Jordan his early education, and in the meanwhile he had close fellowship with the work of the home farm. When about eighteen years of age he found employment as a railroad brakeman, and after being thus engaged about one year he received injuries, in a railroad accident, that resulted in the amputation of one of his legs. Upon recovering from the injury he completed a course in a business college in the City of Lancaster, and he then, in 1912, became bookkeeper for the Security Savings Loan Company of Lancaster, he having been the secretary of this important financial and fiduciary corporation since 1919. He is an active member of the local Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club and the Country Club, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the faith of which he was reared.

April 23, 1914, recorded the marriage of Mr. Jordan and Miss Lula B. Patton, daughter of George and Barbara (Bungard) Patton, who are well known citizens of Perry County, where Mr. Patton is a substantial farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Patton have six children: Walter, Lula (Mrs. Jordan), Floyd, Ruth, Mary and Earl. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan have one son, William Robert.

George Ziegler. The most modern tenets of progressive agriculture find expression in the operations of George Ziegler, who has been engaged in farming and stock raising in Eden Township for many years and is accounted one of the substantial agriculturists of Seneca County. His career has been one of continuous industry, directed by good management, and as a result he is now the owner of a valuable and highly improved property of 388 acres.

Mr. Ziegler is a product of the community in which he now resides, having been born on a farm in Eden Township, November 10, 1865, and is a son of Henry and Louise (Keller) Ziegler. The parents, natives of Germany, came to the United States separately, their respective families locating in Seneca County, where the young people became acquainted and were subsequently married. They first settled on a farm

in Bloom Township, where they resided only a short time, then disposing of their holdings and moving to Eden Township. Henry Ziegler was an industrious and capable farmer who was able to make his efforts achieve results, but did not live long enough to enjoy the full fruits of prosperity, dying in middle life, November 9, 1877. He was a democrat in politics, but did not seek office, and belonged to the Reformed Church. His widow, also a member of that church, survived him for about twenty years, continuing to make her home on the farm until her death. They were the parents of eight children, of whom six survive: Henry, an agriculturist of Bloom Township; John, now living retired at Tiffin, Ohio, after a long career as a farmer; George, of this review; Christ, who is carrying on farming operations in Eden Township; Emma, a resident of Tiffin; and Adam, of Lykens Township, Crawford County, Ohio.

George Ziegler received his education in the district school in the vicinity of his boyhood home and was reared on his father's farm, on which he remained until reaching the age of thirty years, assisting his brothers and widowed mother in the cultivation of the home fields. On December 24, 1895, he was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth M. Hunsicker, a native of Lykens Township, Crawford County, and following their union they settled on the farm in Eden Township on which they now reside. This has been developed into a most valuable tract of 388 acres, on which Mr. Ziegler has had great success in the raising of the standard crops of the locality. He is also a well known breeder of Short Horn cattle, Delano sheep and Poland-China hogs, which he exhibits at various fairs, and has won a number of prizes for their superiority. Mr. Ziegler is a stockholder in the Seneca County Fair Association. In his political allegiance he supports the democratic party's candidates and principles, and his religious faith is that of the Reformed Church. Mr. Ziegler has always discharged the responsibilities of good citizenship and has served capably in the offices of township trustee and member of the School Board.

Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler: Jesse, a graduate of the Eden Township High School, who saw training camp service during the World war, and is now engaged in farming in Eden Township; Calvin, also a high school graduate, who is married and a farmer of Eden Township; Frona and Forest, who are high school graduates and reside with their parents; and Harold, who is attending high school.

WILLIAM J. SCHWENCK. In the twenty odd years since he was admitted to the bar William J. Schwenck has built the solid foundation and much of the superstructure of a successful and honorable law practice, and has at the same time interested himself in democratic politics and public affairs, so that he is easily one of the most prominent professional men of Bucyrus.

He was born in Crawford County, October 18, 1874, one of the eight children of Hieronymus and Anna M. (Zimmer) Schwenck. His father was a substantial farmer of the county, and both parents are now deceased. William J. Schwenck was reared on a farm, and partly through his own efforts acquired a liberal education. He attended public schools, and in 1898 was graduated from Ohio Northern University at Ada and subsequently entered the law department of Ohio State University at Columbus, where he received his law degree in June, 1900. During vacations he had studied law in the office of Judge Phil M. Crow at Kenton, Ohio. Mr. Schwenck began practice at Bucyrus in 1900, and in 1902 was elected city solicitor, an office he filled until 1906. November 8, 1910, he was elected prosecuting attorney, and since retiring from that office has been busily engaged in looking after a large volume of private practice.

Mr. Schwenck has served as a member of the County Democratic, Central and Executive committees. He is a member of the Bucyrus Lodge of Eagles and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, No. 156. He and his wife are Lutherans. Mr. Schwenck married Miss Ruth France, daughter of William and Martha France, who came from Pennsylvania.

WILL E. HOUCK, manager of the Boss Manufacturing Company at Findlay, represents the third generation of a family that has contributed to the substantial improvement and progress of Hancock County. His grandfather was a pioneer in clearing up the land, and many of the family have been successful in agriculture and also in commercial affairs and the professions.

The grandfather of Will E. Houck was Jacob F. Houck, who was born in Baltimore County, Maryland, and married Eve Ebaugh. In the fall of 1836 they came to Hancock County, Ohio, bought land in Jackson Township, and made a prosperous farm and shared in the prosperity that came to that region. Jacob Houck died in 1880.

His oldest son was the late William H. Houck, who was born in Maryland, March 4, 1827, and was nine years of age when his parents came to Hancock County. He helped clear up the land and make a farm, and during his active years he cleared a total of two hundred acres, converting it into agricultural land. For a number of years he operated a saw mill. He owned one of the fine farms in Jackson Township and held some of the township offices there. He spent his last years at Findlay, where he died November 1, 1912. He married in 1852 Elizabeth Smaltz, a native of Hancock County and daughter of Henry Smaltz. She died in September, 1899. Both were active members of the Methodist Church, and he was a democrat in politics. They had eleven children, and those still living are: Anna, wife of Edward Doty, of Jackson Township; Lottie, wife of A. R. Van Sant, of Jackson Township; John P., of Findlay; Jacob H., of Youngstown, Ohio; Robert C., who is in business at Los Angeles, California; Perry H., also a resident of Los Angeles.

Will E. Houck was born on his father's farm in Jackson Township, April 6, 1873, was reared there, attended country schools, is a graduate of the Mount Blanchard High School and finished his education in Findlay College. He put in seven years as a teacher in the country schools of Jackson Township. In February, 1903, he became associated with his brothers John P., J. H. and R. C. Houck in the glove manufacturing business at Findlay, and subsequently went with the Boss Manufacturing Company, and has been with that concern twenty years.

Mr. Houck married L. Gail Grindle, of Mount Blanchard, daughter of D. H. and Lizzie U. (Miller) Grindle. They have three children: Hugh H., born in Jackson Township in 1899, a graduate of the Findlay High School and of the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland, and is now in one of Findlay's manufacturing plants; Mary E., a graduate of the Findlay High School, and of the Findlay Business College, now the wife of Wesley Thomas; and Martha C., born December 1, 1912. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Mr. Houck is on the Official Board. He is a past master of Findlay Lodge No. 227, Free and Accepted Masons, a member of Findlay Chapter No. 51, Royal Arch Masons, is past thrice illustrious mas-

ter of Findlay Council No. 50, Royal and Select Masters, a past commander of Findlay Commandery No. 49, Knights Templar, and belongs to the Scottish Rite Consistory and the Shrine at Toledo. He and his wife are members of the Eastern Star. He is also affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and is a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 75. Mr. Houck is a democrat. For eight years he has been a member of the City Council of Findlay, and was the first president of the Findlay Rotary Club. Among other business interests he is a stockholder in the American National Bank, the Electric Construction Company and the Hancock Savings and Loan Association.

Washington Tullis Porter, a distinguished member of the Cincinnati bar, was born in that city February 22, 1850, son of James and Margaret (Tullis) Porter. He graduated from the law school of Cincinnati College in 1871, and since that year has practiced in Cincinnati. In 1918 he was admitted to the United States Supreme Court. A distinguished service was that rendered by him as attorney for the trustees of the Cincinnati Southern Railway from 1873 to 1908. This is the only municipally owned railway in the world. He was appointed trustee of the same railway for life in 1908. He served as a member of the Board of Law Examiners for Ohio from 1886 to 1891, and from 1903 to 1908. Since 1891, except for three years, he has been a trustee of the Cincinnati Public Library, and is a trustee of the endowment fund of the American Library Association. His avocation is music, and he is a skilled organist and a composer. He compiled and edited the book, "Cincinnati Southern Railway Legislation-Litigation," first published in 1901, with a second edition in 1920.

Clarence A. Lynn, proprietor of the Chillicothe Business College, has been in educational work in Ohio for nearly thirty years, and has been unusually successful in business college management and administration.

He was born at Evansport, Defiance County, Ohio, May 25, 1874, son of F. M. and Nancy A. (Myers) Lynn, and grandson of John and Sophia (Caughenbaugh) Lynn, and of David and Susan (Carey) Myers. John Lynn and wife came from Pennsylvania, while the other grandparents were born in Ohio. The parents of Mr. Lynn were also natives of Ohio, and spent their lives on a farm in Perry County. They were active members of the Lutheran Church. The father died in 1898 and the mother in 1922. There were five children: John H., George E., Chauncey D., Grace S., who became the wife of John W. Trout, and Clarence A.

Clarence A. Lynn was reared on his father's farm in Perry County, Ohio, attended the district schools, and in 1895 graduated from the Thornville High School. He was soon granted a teacher's certificate, and for fourteen years his educational work was largely in country school districts. He also taught some grade schools, and in 1903-04 was employed in J. H. Yarnell's hardware store. For a time he taught in the Bliss Business College at Columbus. From there he removed to Chicago and became manager of the Metropolitan Business College, one of the largest business schools in that city. He remained there until August, 1923, and on the first of the month of that year bought the Chillicothe Business College.

The Chillicothe Business College was started about 1890 by some of the business men of Chillicothe. In 1893 when Mr. Miller bought it, it became a permanent organization and was put on a paying basis as a shorthand and typewriting school. It has occupied one location in Chillicothe for thirty years. Mr. Miller finally sold it to E. D. Crim, who continued it along similar lines. In July, 1915, when purchased by Miss Ida L. Hodges, the school was reorganized and the standards raised. At that time a secretarial course, a general administrative business course, and a teachers' training course were added. Since then it has been a school equipping its students not only with the technical details, but the broader essentials of commercial service and civic work. There is a young woman's dormitory in the school building. Under the ownership of Mr. Lynn this school has been maintained at the high standards of recent years and he has added some new features to its curriculum.

On September 10, 1896, Mr. Lynn married Miss Arminta Clum, of Somerset, Ohio, daughter of Adam and Hannah Clum. Mrs. Lynn died July 28, 1903. By this marriage there are two children: Hazel Vivian, a teacher in the high school at Cardington, Ohio; and Adam Walter Lynn, a Bachelor of Arts graduate of Capital University at Columbus, Ohio, and now (1924) a pastor of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church of Greenville, Ohio. In 1906 Mr. Lynn married Mrs. Martha A. Cooperider, daughter of George H. and Ann Trout. They have two children, Ruth Marie and Bertha Lillian. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn are members of the Lutheran Church.

Neff and Fry Company of Camden, Preble County, is a corporation that started some years ago on construction of farm silos, but the business has now become specialized and of practically national scope as builders of coal bins, grain warehouses and similar construction. The partnership of Neff and Fry was organized February 1, 1916. The firm in construction silos used a circular designed interlocking concrete block, and this has been the characteristic feature of its construction work ever since. In 1920 the firm extended its business to the construction of coal pockets, grain and gravel bins, and on December 1, 1923, the business was incorporated with a capital stock of $75,000, and during the last year, it handled contracts to the value of $500,000, the work being located in twenty-eight states of the Union and Canada. The company now maintains branch offices in Philadelphia, Chicago and Pittsburgh.

The officers of the company are: Murrel B. Fry, president; Charles R. Neff, vice president; Carl E. Sterzenbach, secretary and treasurer; C. Rodney Neff, second vice president; William E. Mettler, assistant secretary and treasurer, and John V. Braun, superintendent of erection.

M. B. Fry, president of the company, was born at Camden, Ohio, February 12, 1884, son of Solomon L. and Kansas (Armstrong) Fry. He was educated in the grammar and high schools of Camden, and at the age of eighteen became rural mail carrier, and continued this work until forming his partnership with Mr. Neff in 1916. Mr. Fry married Miss India Mettler, September 20, 1905. Her parents were Adrian and Caroline (Sterzenbach) Mettler, and she was born in Camden and educated in the local schools. They have one daughter, Arline, who graduated from the Camden High School in 1924 and continued her education in the Western College for women at Oxford, Ohio. Mr. Fry is a past master of the Masonic Lodge, and is a republican and a Presbyterian.

Charles R. Neff, vice president of the company, was born at Remington, Indiana, November 5, 1872, but grew up at Camden, Ohio, where he graduated from high school. For three years he was in Denver, Colorado, as superintendent for the L. D. Archer Lumber Company; spent three years in California, and learned the plumbing trade there, and after returning to Ohio, engaged in the implement business at Camden three years. Then for ten years he car-

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ried mail, and then went into business with Mr. Fry. He is president of the Camden City Council, and has been a member of that body for eight years, is an elder in the Presbyterian Church, a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Eastern Star and a republican. Mr. Neff married Ella Fry. By a former marriage Mr. Neff has a son, C. Rodney Neff, now second vice president of Neff and Fry Company.

Samuel McFarland Mehaffey, M. D. In the City of Dennison, Tuscarawas County, Doctor Mehaffey has been a physician and surgeon of note for the past five years, and altogether he has given thirty-two years of his life to the practice of medicine in Ohio.

He was born on a farm nead Cambridge, Guernsey County, Ohio, February 18, 1863, son of Joseph and Sarah Elizabeth (Ford) Mehaffey, who were born and reared on adjoining farms in Guernsey County. Joseph Mehaffey was a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Boyd) Mehaffey, natives of Ireland. Sarah Elizabeth Ford was a daughter of Thomas and Sarah Ford, natives of Ohio. Joseph Mehaffey spent his youthful life and early occupation at farming in Guernsey County, and died in 1898, at the age of sixty-three. He was a Union soldier, being a private in Company B of the Ninety-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry. The widowed mother is now eighty-four years of age. They had a family of nine children, all of whom grew up on the farm in Guernsey County.

While a boy on the farm Doctor Mehaffey acquired the advantages of the local common schools. His higher education was largely the fruit of his own efforts and earnings. For eight years he taught in ruarl school districts, and in the meantime took the literary, commercial and pharmacy courses at Scio College. Subsequently he entered the Medical Department of the University of Maryland, at Baltimore, was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1892 and for nine years looked after an extensive rural practice, with home at Kimbilton in Guernsey County. From there he moved to Bowerston in Harrison County, and was the leader of his profession in that community seventeen years. It was in 1919 that he located at Dennison, where he continues in general practice. In the year that he located at Dennison he completed a post graduate course in the Chicago Post Graduate School of Medicine. He is a student, and through membership in the medical organizations and other ways, has kept in close touch with the advance of knowledge in his science. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Mehaffey is a republican in politics, has been a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church for a number of years, is a Knights Templar and Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Eastern Star and White Shrine, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and the Knights of the Maccabees.

Doctor Mehaffey married, in 1893, Miss Cora A. Livingston, whose home was near Cadiz, Ohio. Doctor Mehaffey has made for himself a fine reputation in his chosen profession, and also enjoys esteem as a patriotic and public spirited citizen and Christian gentleman.

William Cooper Procter, president of the Procter & Gamble Company of Cincinnati, was born at Glendale, a Cincinnati suburb, August 25, 1862, son of William A. and Charlotte Elizabeth (Jackson) Procter. He is a graduate of Princeton University, and since leaving college in 1883, has been identified with the Procter & Gamble Company, soap manufacturers at Cincinnati. He has been president of the corporation since April 16, 1907. He is a director of the National City Bank of New York. Mr. Procter has been a prominent figure in the republican party, and in 1920 was manager of the campaign of Gen. Leonard Wood for the presidential nomination. He married Jane Eliza Johnson of Cincinnati in 1889.

James Garfield Smailes, M. D. A representative of one of the older families of Coshocton County, has had an interesting career as a teacher and physician and surgeon, was in the Army Medical Corps during the World war, and is a physician of the highest professional standing at Coshocton.

He was born on his father's farm in Virginia Township, Coshocton County, November 25, 1880, son of John and Rachael (Bradfield) Smailes. His father was born at Ampliforth, Hampshire, England, December 1, 1830. The grandfather, George Smailes, brought his family to the United States in 1842, when John was twelve years of age. John's stepmother also came along, and there were two of John's brothers and a sister. Another daughter, too young to stand the hardships of the journey to America, was left with relatives in England, grew up and remained there, and died in 1918. In her will her nephew, Dr. James G. Smailes, was kindly remembered with in inheritance of £25 sterling. George Smailes on coming to this country settled at New Moscow, Coshocton County, Ohio, was identified with the pioneer development of that section of the county, and initiated the honorable record of the family. John Smailes grew up at New Moscow, and was one of the sturdy young farmers of that vicinity when the Civil war broke out. He promptly tendered his services in the defense of the Union, joining Company F of the Fifty-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He participated in the battles of Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Missionary Ridge, Lookout Mountain, and was wounded in the Battle of Murfreesboro, Tennessee. He participated in many engagements during the advance against Atlanta, and on reaching the vicinity of that city, in consequence of his term of enlistment having expired, he was honorably discharged. Owing to the danger of being captured he remained with his command a while longer, though not long enough to join in Sherman's march to the sea. While in the army he was especially attracted by the gallant conduct, among other Union leaders, of Gen. James A. Garfield, and that admiration caused him to name his son James Garfield Smailes. On leaving the army John Smailes married and settled on a farm, and the rest of his life was spent in agricultural pursuits. He died at New Moscow, Coshocton County, May 16, 1906, at the age of seventy-five. His wife, Rachael Bradfield, was born in Coshocton County, her father, William Bradfield, a native of Pennsylvania and of English descent, being a pioneer of this Ohio county. Mrs. John Smailes is now seventy-five years of age. She and her husband reared a family of seven sons and two daughters. In early life she joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, and John Smailes, though reared an Episcopalian, became affiliated with the same denomination. For many years he was active in the Grand Army of the Republic, and in politics gave unstinted support to the men of the republican party.

James Garfield Smailes lived with his brothers and sisters at the old homestead farm during the years of his youth, in the meantime attending public schools. He was a pupil in the high school at Roscoe, and is especially indebted for encouragement and inspiration to the principal, Alexander C. McDonald,

a veteran Coshocton educator, now postmaster of Coshocton. At the age of seventeen he passed a successful examination for a teacher's license, and his career as a teacher identified him with country schools and the village schools at New Moscow, the Roscoe High School and for a time he was principal of the Conesville High School. Teaching enabled him to pay the expenses of his preparatory education in Ohio Northern University at Ada. He also took a business course in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He attended medical lectures in Ohio State University, and was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1913.

Doctor Smailes had the advantage of a year of training as an interne in a Columbus hospital, and since that time has been busily engaged with the work of his profession except for the time of his army service. He was a volunteer, being commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the Army December 15, 1917. He was called to active duty March 25, 1918, and was at Camp Greenleaf at Chickamauga Park, Georgia, until May 20, 1918, thereafter until June 13, in the Medical School at Washington in preparation for duties as a ship surgeon. He then was assigned hospital duty at Ellis Island, New York, until May 5, 1919, when he received his honorable discharge. Doctor Smailes resigned the office of county coroner when he joined the Army Medical Corps. He is a member of the American Legion and of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club, is a Knights Templar Mason and Shriner, a republican and a Methodist.

While at Ohio Northern University at Ada he met a fellow student, Miss Martha E. Ferguson, and they were happily married in 1904. Mrs. Smailes was born at Appollo, Pennsylvania. Their three children are: Grace, Edith and James Gladstone Smailes.

Edward Wyllis Scripps. One of the founders of the Scripps-McRae League of Newspapers, is a resident of Cincinnati. He was born in Illinois, November 18, 1854, and in 1874 entered the newspaper business at Detroit. He now owns a controlling interest in twenty-eight daily newspapers in fifteen states of the United States, including the Cleveland Press, of which he was founder and first editor, the Cincinnati Post, the Toledo News Bee, the Columbus Citizen, Pittsburgh Press. These papers are members of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, including the Scripps-McRae League. He is controlling owner of the United Press Associations of New York City, serving news to nearly 900 newspapers in the United States. He is also controlling director in the Newspaper Enterprise Association of Cleveland, furnishing illustrations and features to several of the daily newspapers. He endowed the national organization for furnishing scientific news in popular form.

Judge Edwin Mansfield was born at Ashland, Ohio, June 9, 1861, a son of Martin H. Mansfield, who was born in New York City, the son of a shipbuilder who was killed while at his work. After the father's death the widowed mother took her two sons, Martin H. and William, to Baltimore, Maryland, and did the best she could for them until death ended her struggles. Martin H. Mansfield then became attached to the family of the late Senator Patterson, and William Mansfield grew up in the same vicinity.

The brothers subsequently went to Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania, where they married sisters, Martin's wife being Anna Saeger. In the meanwhile Martin H. Mansfield was working at an idea he had of a clover huller, and finally he was able to build a small shop at Steam Corners, Ohio, in which he made these hullers, and this old building is still standing. He patented his invention, and others in the agricultural implement line, and in 1842 or 1843 moved to Ashland, Ohio, and secured larger quarters. Until 1876 he continued at Ashland, but in that year moved his plant to Massillon, Ohio, his brother, who had joined him at Ashland, going with him, and they continued together as long as Martin lived. His death occurred in 1880, but his widow survived him until 1889. He was a man of remarkable talents, and his inventions were indicative of his mechanical genius.

Martin H. Mansfield had eleven children, nine of whom reached maturity, and five now survive, they being: Cloyd, Newton, Henry and Edwin, and a sister. The eldest brother, W. M. Mansfield, was a civil engineer, and a graduate of a polytechnic institute, and was in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Zanesville, Ohio, and later at Richmond, Indiana, and subsequently was with the Panhandle Railroad. Still later he was superintendent for the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville at Indianapolis, and developed terminal facilities at Indianapolis. While with the Pennsylvania road he laid out elevators at Chicago for his company. At the time of his death at the age of fifty-eight years he was assistant to the chief engineer at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Cloyd Mansfield, who is now a resident of Ashland, Ohio, became county clerk of Ashland County when still a young man, held that office for six years, then for two terms was county auditor; for two terms was probate judge, and for two terms was county treasurer, his period of public service extending over a period of twenty-five years.

Henry A. Mansfield was also in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Indianapolis, where he became city engineer, later became a general contractor on government work such as the construction of dams and power plants, with residence at Indianapolis.

Newton Mansfield was graduated from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, and served on the Detroit in the Cuban campaign, and later in the Philippines. His health failing he retired from the service. During the World war he was recalled to the service and placed in charge of naval recruiting at New York City, but after the signing of the armistice once more retired.

Judge Edwin Mansfield attended Ashland University for two years, and then for a few months was with a railroad surveying party during 1881. For four years thereafter he was employed in a railroad eating house at Shelby, Ohio, holding this position so as to pursue his legal studies with the legal firm of Skiles & Skiles of Shelby. In 1886 he was admitted to the bar, having successfully passed his examinations before the Supreme Court of the state. Immediately thereafter he opened his office. From the beginning of his career Judge Mansfield has been active in politics, and two months after he was admitted to the bar he was elected mayor of Shelby, then a city of 1,800.

For sixteen years Judge Mansfield continued in a general practice, continually widening the circle of his acquaintance, was in partnership with Frank Long from 1901 to 1907, but this partnership was dissolved when he was placed on the bench as a Common Pleas judge, to which office he was elected in the fall of 1906. The district comprised Richland, Ashland and Morrow counties, and he retired from the bench, after twelve years of service, in February, 1919, during all of those years his district continuing unchanged. Judge Mansfield also served for a number of years as city solicitor of Shelby, and while in office directed the installation of various public improvements, including the paving of streets, the

building of the water works, the placing of the sewers, and the construction of the electric light plant. He was one of the organizers of the Citizens Bank of Shelby, and has from the time of the organization in 1903 to the present been one of its directors, being the only one of the original board still connected with the bank, which is one of the strong financial institutions of the county. Judge Mansfield is a very public-spirited man, and has been connected with a number of the various enterprises of Richland County. In 1899 he and several leading men of the county organized the Shelby Telephone Company, of which he has since been a director. In 1890 the Shelby Seamless Tube Company was organized, and Judge Mansfield had an interest in it. Subsequently this company was absorbed by the United States Steel Corporation. The local plant burned, and the United States Steel Corporation not rebuilding, about 1908 the Ohio Seamless Tube Company was organized, which has since been so developed that it is one of the largest concerns of its kind in the country, and is the leading industrial plant of Shelby, giving employment to 850 people. Judge Mansfield was a member of its board for some years, and for five or six years was its chairman. The First Presbyterian Church holds his membership. Since retiring from the bench Judge Mansfield has resumed his private practice. He is a Mason, and belongs to all of the leading clubs, being very prominently identified with all of the activities of the county.

In 1902 Judge Mansfield married Mrs. Ada E. Lowe and they have one daughter, Margaret, who lives at home with her parents.

Charles Phelps Taft was born in Cincinnati, December 21, 1843, son of Alphonso and Fannie (Phelps) Taft. His father was attorney general in 1876-77. C. P. Taft is a half brother of former President William H. Taft. He is a graduate of Yale University, took his degree in law at Heidelburg University, Germany, in 1887, and also studied abroad at Berlin and Paris. He was admitted to the bar in 1866, and was engaged in practice in Cincinnati from 1869 to 1879. He then purchased a controlling interest in the Cincinnati Times, consolidating it with the Star in 1880, as the Times-Star, of which he has since been editor and publisher. He has many other interests, including ranches in the southwest, and has been a prominent figure in the republican party of his state. He was a member of the Fifty-fourth Congress, 1895-97, from the First Ohio District. He married in 1873, Annie Sinton, daughter of David Sinton of Cincinnati.

Wesley B. Shumway. To the true lover of nature no occupation known to man furnishes more interesting possibilities than the vocation of florist. Recent developments along this line have been as wonderful as they were formerly unexpected and unbelievable. Yet even to the man who labors faithfully to maintain standards already established and who has no time to explore in luring paths of promise, there always is that satisfaction in accomplishment possible only when one works in collaboration with the elements of creation. Tiffin has had its share of earnest, painstaking florists, men who have delighted in their labor and contributed liberally to the well-being of the community. Few, however, have had a more satisfactory career than Wesley B. Shumway, the owner of a prosperous floral establishment on Sycamore Street.

Mr. Shumway was born in Clinton County, Michigan, February 24, 1879, and is a son of David H. and Henrietta (Rogers) Shumway. He was educated in the district school and the high school at Pewamo, Ionia County, Michigan, and remained on the home farm until reaching the age of seventeen years, at which time he entered the Webber & Ruel Bank at Pewamo to learn the banking business. After one year he resigned and joined S. W. Webber & Company at Muir, Michigan, where he worked as cashier for twelve years, and at the end of that time, with his former preceptor, James H. Ruel, and Fred L. Keeler, superintendent of public schools of Michigan, he entered the banking business at Waldron, Michigan, and remained there for thirteen years, the bank being conducted successfully by Mr. Shumway, his wife and his daughter.

During this period of his career, Mr. Shumway indulged himself in the hobby of raising flowers. This he did after banking hours, for the pleasure which it gave him and his family, for the decoration of the churches of his locality and for bouquets to his many friends. Always a great lover of flowers of all kinds, he made a careful study of horticulture, and finally decided to embark in a business of which he had a thorough knowledge and which would prove greatly congenial to him. Accordingly, in 1920, he located at Tiffin, where on November 5 he purchased the business of the E. J. Ullrich Floral Company, established by his father, Louis Ullrich, in 1874. Mr. Shumway at once introduced innovations and had the business on a paying basis. At this time he has six acres of land and fifteen greenhouses on Sycamore Street and in addition conducts a store at 182 Washington Street, across the street from the Masonic Temple. He is doing a thriving business and his name is associated with all that is best in floriculture. Mr. Shumway is a member of the F. T. D., an organization connected with the floral business, and of the Chamber of Commerce, while as a fraternalist he holds membership in Tiffin Lodge No. 77, Free and Accepted Masons; Seneca Chapter No. 42, Royal Arch Masons; Tiffin Chapter Order Eastern Star; in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, No. 139, and the Knights of Pythias. Politically he is a republican.

On August 16, 1901, Mr. Shumway was united in marriage with Miss Maude E. Herrick, who was educated in the Michigan public schools, and was the daughter of a merchant, in whose establishment she gained her early understanding of business methods. Ten children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Shumway, nine of whom survive: Matilda M., a graduate of the high school at Waldron, Michigan, where she served as assistant cashier in the bank; Mary L., Ruel K., Gerald (who died in infancy), Wesley B., Jr., Geraldine, David Herrick, Maurice E., Stanley E. and Bob.

Edwin McKee Tharp is manager of sales promotion of the Pure Oil Company, whose general offices are in Columbus. This is now one of the five great oil corporations in the country. Its president is B. G. Dawes, one of three distinguished brothers, all born at Marietta, Ohio, and sons of General Rufus Dawes. The other two Dawes brothers are Chicago men, one of them being Gen. Charles G. Dawes. The Pure Oil Company is a $200,000,000 corporation. The company does business as oil producers, refiners and pipe line owners, operating oil wells and other facilities in West Virginia, Ohio, Oklahoma and Texas. They maintain stations and selling agencies throughout the United States and foreign countries.

The qualifications of Mr. Tharp for his duties as sales promotion manager are based on a long experience as a newspaper man, editor and correspondent. He was born in Washington Court House, Ohio, was educated in high school and while a high school boy worked for the Record-Republican, a paper then owned by Harry M. Daugherty, formerly attorney-

general of the United States. Leaving school at the age of sixteen, Mr. Tharp went to New York City, and during a year in the advertising department of the John Wanamaker stores acquired his first knowledge of advertisement copy writing. When he was only seventeen he became business manager of the Wellston Sentinel in Ohio, and gave that paper a new lease of financial prosperity. Following that he was business manager of the Daily Journal at Middletown, Ohio, and came to Columbus as reporter on the old Columbus News and six months later was made city editor. He was also connected with the Columbus Dispatch, and as Columbus representative of the Associated Press he reported the constitutional convention of 1912. For several years Mr. Tharp was financial editor of the Ohio State Journal and the Ohio Banker. Mr. Tharp has also had a wide experience in practical business. On leaving Columbus in 1915 he organized at Kansas City, Missouri, the Wear-U-Well Shoe Company, a subsidiary of the Wolfe Brothers Shoe Company. He was president and general manager of this business four years, and in that time established nearly five hundred retail stores throughout the Southwest. During 1919-20 he was southwestern representative of the Haynes and Stephens automobiles, with headquarters at Kansas City.

While acting as financial editor of the Ohio State Journal in 1913 Mr. Tharp exposed some practices in the old Columbus Gas and Fuel Company which brought about a reorganization of that company, with Mr. B. G. Dawes as the head. This in turn led to the formation of the Ohio Cities Gas Company, and then to the Pure Oil Company. Thus Mr. Tharp's acquaintance with the industry was well known, and in 1920 he was called to the position of manager of sales promotion for the Pure Oil Company.

Mr. Tharp married in 1911 Miss Irene Curtis, of Sabina, Ohio. They have one daughter, Marjorie Tharp.

Boyd Vincent, Protestant Episcopal bishop, was born at Erie, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1845. He is a graduate of Yale University, took his theological degree in the Berkeley Divinity School, and in 1871 was ordained a deacon and in 1872 a priest of the Protestant Episcopal Church. In 1889 he was consecrated coadjutor bishop of Southern Ohio, and in 1904 became bishop of Southern Ohio, with his Episcopal residence in Cincinnati. In 1904 he was presiding judge of the Court of Review for the fifth Department Protestant Episcopal Church and in 1907 president of the missionary council of the fifth Department. From 1910 to 1916 he was chairman of the House of Bishop.

Herman S. Fox was born in Montgomery County, has spent practically all his life there, and has made his career in business and in public affairs one of numerous services that count towards the prosperity and good order of the community. He is founder of the Brookville Bridge Company, one of the largest organizations of its kind in that section of the state.

Mr. Fox was born in Clay Township, Montgomery County, March 24, 1856. His parents, Levi and Barbara (Studebaker) Fox, were also natives of the same county. His grandparents, John and Susan (Horner) Fox, were natives of Pennsylvania, and the family came to Montgomery County, Ohio, in 1808 from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Herman S. Fox, after the common schools, entered the Ohio Northern University at Ada, graduated in the scientific course, and subsequently completed up to the junior year the course of engineering in the Ohio State University at Columbus. During his early career he taught school and from 1888 to 1895 was county surveyor of Montgomery County. He was a member of the Montgomery County Teachers Examiners Board from 1886 to 1894. While in Ohio Northern University he served as instructor of military science and tactics.

Mr. Fox founded in 1897 the Brookville Bridge Company, and has been manager of that business continuously for over a quarter of a century. The company has all the facilities for expert construction work on steel bridges and buildings, and has executed a long list of contracts for county and municipal governments and private firms and individuals.

Since 1914 Mr. Fox has been a member of the Montgomery County school board, serving as its president eight years. He was elected and served as a member of the Eighty-fifth General Assembly of Ohio. Fraternally he has been affiliated with the Kappa Sigma college fraternity, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows, Modern Woodmen of America and Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and is a member of the United Brethren Church at Brookville, Ohio.

On August 25, 1888, he married Miss Carrie Wentworth, daughter of Obed and Mary Wentworth, of Paulding County, Ohio. The children by this union are: Miss Lillian P.; Lee W., who married Miss Mabel Eleanor Hinkle, and has two daughters, Mary Ellen and Barbara Louise; and Paul W., who married Miss Vesta Marie Rollman, and has a son, Herman Eugene. These children were orphaned by the death of their mother in July, 1895.

On February 25, 1904, he married Miss Lillie M. Turner, daughter of Levi and Joanna Turner, of Brookville, Ohio. By this union Mr. Fox has a daughter, Joanna T.

Arthur Nash, Cincinnati clothing manufacturer, was born in Indiana, June 26, 1870, was educated for the ministry of the Disciples of Christ, but after a short experience entered the clothing manufacturing business at Columbus in 1909. His conspicuous success, which has made his name nationally known, was through the development of the Nash plan of co-ownership of industry by the workers. This was put into practice when he founded in 1916 the A. Nash Company, wholesale tailors at Cincinnati, of which he is president. He is author of "The Golden Rule in Business," a book published in 1923.

Francis Bacon James, a distinguished authority on law, was born at Cincinnati, June 10, 1864, son of Francis Bacon and Elizabeth (Faris) James. He graduated with first honors from the Cincinnati law school in 1886, and was admitted to the bar and began practice the same year. During 1910-11, he was counsel for shippers in the general advance of rate cases and other cases before the Interstate Commerce Commission and also served as commerce counsel of various short line railways. He was instructor in the Law Department of the University of Cincinnati from 1895 to 1912, was dean of the faculty of the Cincinnati College of Commerce, finance and accounts, was for ten years chairman of the Committee on Commerce, trade and commercial law in the American Bar Association, a delegate to the Universal Congress of Lawyers and Jurists at the St. Louis Exposition in 1904, and a delegate to the Second Pan American Scientific Congress in 1916. He is former president of the Ohio State Committee on uniform state laws, and a life fellow of the Royal Economic Society of London. For some years his offices have been in Washington, D. C.

He is author of the "Ohio Law of Opinion Evidence," advertising and other addresses, the "New

Jurisprudence,'' published as a United States Senate document in 1915, ''Introduction to Clark on Interstate Commerce,'' and other books and articles. He married Miriam Loud of Baltimore.

Marshall N. Duval. Natural qualifications for leadership and public life put Marshall N. Duval into politics as soon as he had attained voting age. He was elected to the Legislature, studied law, and for twenty years has practiced at Steubenville, in the meantime being honored with various responsibilities of a public and political nature.

Mr. Duval was born at Wellsburg, W. Va., March 10, 1875, his present home at Steubenville being just across the Ohio River from his birthplace. His parents were William G. and Henrietta (Stewart) Duval. The Duval family goes back to France, one branch of it coming from France in 1685 and settling in Maryland. The grandparents of Mr. Duval were Benjamin Duval and wife, whose maiden name was Marshall. William G. Duval, who died in March, 1904, was a machinist in the Spaulding Iron and Steel Plant for a number of years. During the Civil war he was a member of the Home Guards, and he served in the Village Council and was active in the Christian Church. His wife, Henrietta, died in 1877. There were children as follows: Wiley; Minnie, who married a Mr. Curtis; Henrietta, who married Ernest Buffet and died leaving five children; Isaac C., who married and had two children; Claude; Wilson, who is married and has four children; Marshall N.; and Neely, who died in infancy.

Marshall N. Duval attended public school at Wellsburg, and at the age of nineteen qualified for teaching. Five years were spent teaching in various district schools, and in the meantime he continued his own higher education in Mount Union College, where he took the preparatory course, and in Scio College. He left his studies at Scio College to make the race for the Legislature, and in 1899 was elected a member of the Lower House of the Ohio General Assembly.

He represented his home county two terms in the Lower House. One of his fellow members was Nick Longworth, one of Ohio's best known representatives in Congress today, while in the Senate the late Mr. Harding was a member. Mr. Duval subsequently was a successful candidate for the State Senate, and served five years, from 1904 to 1909. In 1904 he was admitted to the bar, and after making a race for Congress he engaged in private practice at Steubenville. Mr. Duval was a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Chicago in 1908, when Mr. Taft was nominated for his first term as president.

Mr. Duval, who is unmarried, was active in all the campaigns during the World war. He is a member of the Christian Church, and in Masonry is affiliated with the Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter and Council, and the Lodge of Perfection in the Scottish Rite. He is an Elk, and a member of the County and State Bar associations.

Harry Franklin Harrington, director of the Medill School of Journalism of Northwestern University at Chicago and Evanston, Illinois, is a native of Ohio, and served his newspaper apprenticeship in this state.

He was born at Logan, Ohio, July 25, 1882, son of Frank and Margaret (Walker) Harrington. He was educated in the University of Wooster, took his Bachelor of Arts degree at the Ohio State University in 1905, and in 1909 his Master of Arts degree at Columbia University. He did work as a reporter and on the editorial staff of the Ohio State Journal at Columbus for several years, was editor of the London, Ohio, Times, and during 1909-10 was instructor in English and journalism at Ohio Wesleyan University. From 1910 to 1914 he was assistant professor of English in the Ohio State University, and had charge of the courses in journalism offered by the university. For a year he was assistant professor of journalism at the University of Kansas, and was connected with the School of Journalism at the University of Illinois from 1915. In 1921 he took the post of director of the Medill School of Journalism. He has also been director in courses of journalism at other institutions, including the University of California, University of Wisconsin, and the Columbia University School of Journalism.

In 1919-20 he was president of the American Association of Teachers of Journalism, is a member of the National Editorial Association, and is author of ''Essentials in Journalism,'' in which he collaborated with T. T. Frankenburg; ''Typical Newspaper Stories,'' published in 1915; ''The Teaching of Journalism in a Natural Setting,'' published in 1919; ''Writing for Print,'' published in 1921; ''Chats on Feature Writing,'' published in 1925. Professor Harrington married, July 15, 1913, Miss Frieda Poston, of Crawfordsville, Indiana. His home is in Evanston, Illinois.

John D. Williams has been engaged in commercial work since early manhood, and has become well and very favorably known in the business affairs of Chillicothe, Ohio, where he is owner and general manager of the Williams Collecting Agency, collectors and private investigators, criminal and commercial investigations, with associate offices in all the principal cities of the United States and Canada.

He was born near Charleston, West Virginia, in a little town called Buffalo, on the Greater Kanawha River, May 10, 1879, son of Wesley and Pauline (Schmitter) Williams. His mother was born in Berne, Switzerland, of Austrian and Bohemian parentage and was brought over to America in 1848. She was born November 22, 1839, and died July 7, 1924. She was a member of the Christian Church (sometimes called Disciples) for more than sixty-five years, and was favorably known throughout the entire State of West Virginia, for her good works and kind and loving service, among rich and poor, the white and black race alike. No night was too dark, wet or cold to keep her from answering the call of the sick or distressed. She nursed the mother and brought into the world many a child. Also washed, dressed and straightened out the limbs of many who were cold in death, after ministering to them through their last sickness. In her time and in the section of country in which she lived physicians were scarce and many miles apart. You traveled the country on horseback or on foot. There were no railroads, street car lines, automobiles, or even wagon roads in the greater part of the country. Many a physician, as well as patient, can testify to her faithful, loving care and service. She was indeed a consistent Christian, a faithful, loving wife and mother. She was united in marriage to Wesley Williams, of Glen Easton, near Moundsville, West Virginia, and to this union were born eleven children: Annie, who married William Crowe; Louis N. (deceased); Josephine, wife of Benjamin Carper; Adeline, deceased; Lena, who married Alexander Stover; Sallie, deceased; Harmon P., who married Zelda Atkins; Jeannette, deceased; John D., who married Anna Cecilia Goelz; George, deceased; and Benjamin F., who married Stella Lewis.

Wesley Williams was a native of West Virginia, a stone cutter by trade, a miner, a locomotive fireman on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, a mate on an Ohio River steamboat, and later a farmer. Had a most unusual career and variety of experiences. When the Civil war broke out he was one of the first citizens of West Virginia to enlist in the cause of the Union. Coming with Abe Lincoln's first call for

100,000 volunteers, he joined the Twelfth Virginia Regiment. He was several times wounded, his shoulder being shattered by a ball, and he lost his voice from exposure while sick in the Virginia swamps. He soldiered under McClellan and Burnsides. He later acted as dispatch bearer between Grant and Sherman in the battles in and around Richmond, Virginia, a dangerous and arduous service, on one occasion a horse being shot from under him. For many years he was actively identified with the Grand Army of the Republic. After the war he became a farmer. He had the distinction of being baptized by Alexander Campbell, the founder of the Church of Christ or Disciples in America. Wesley Williams helped build the Baltimore & Ohio Railway. During construction work on that road he was stricken with the cholera at Rosebys Rock, West Virginia, and in the course of the epidemic one morning he saw sixty-five dead from the disease near Wheeling. He handled the hammer and drove the Golden Spike when the Baltimore & Ohio road completed its connection between Baltimore, Maryland and Cincinnati, Ohio. He died at his home on the Farm Rose Hill, near Charleston, West Virginia, on the head waters of Davis Creek in London District, Kanawha County, West Virginia, at the age of seventy-three years, a kind father, a loyal friend, respected even by his enemies, a man who made it his business in life to keep his word at any cost. He was generous to a fault, never turning any one away empty handed. He fed and lodged hundreds who came to his house asking food and lodging, his favorite maxim being, "The latch string always hangs out."

John D. Williams, the ninth child of Wesley and Pauline Williams, was born on a farm near Buffalo, Putnam County, West Virginia. At one year of age his parents moved with him and the other children of the family by wagon to Gilgal, Nicholas County, in the hill country of West Virginia, living there about one year and then moving by wagon to a place in Fayette County, West Virginia, near Ravens Eye Postoffice, on a farm known as the Bunty Bob Nichols Farm, which later they purchased. A very poor farm as farms go, they had a very hard time keeping the wolf from the door. Lots of little mouths to feed, little bodies to keep warm, and little feet to keep dry. Life was hard. Comforts were few and pleasures simple, the father often working away from home months at a time, sometimes for the mere pittance of fifty cents a day. So it developed largely upon the dear mother to take the place of both father and mother to her little brood. She often plowed with the team in the fields and with the help of the children large enough to work raised the principal part of the food that kept the family from actual want, while the father slaved to pay for the little home. They tried this plan out for about five years and, finding the grinding work too hard for the small return it paid, they moved to Clifftop, a small mining town in Fayette County, West Virginia, and the father and oldest son, Louis N. Williams, a badly crippled boy, worked in the mines. Louis had been crippled since three years of age from tuberculosis of the bone from a fall, then known as white swelling. This finally killed him. In the meantime, however, the smaller children were in the public schools, such as were provided in the mining section which one can guess were very poor. At the age of eleven John D., together with his next oldest brother, Harmon P., left the school and went into the mines to work, to help support themselves and the family, the father not being very well at this time. Finally, being stricken down with what was known at that time as miners' consumption, he was told by his doctor to get out of the mines, get out of that particular climate and rest up for a while. So he and the mother went visiting back to his old home and folks at Glen Easton, West Virginia, leaving the little family in charge of Lena, the youngest girl, the only girl then at home, the family in the meantime having dwindled down to the four children at home, the three eldest girls being married and living in homes of their own, the next two girls having died, also the next younger boy had died, and Louis N., the eldest son, was away studying photography. This left Harmon P. and John D. to carry on, working in the mines, aged fourteen and twelve years, respectively, to make a living for the little family, which they did and saved a little money besides. Later, the father getting better, the family again moved to a small farm which the father had purchased, 120 acres two and a half miles from Charleston, West Virginia, on the head waters of Davis Creek, where after a few years the father died. The mother then had a little home built for her near Harmon P. Williams' home and lived there until July 7, 1924, when she died.

John D. left the little farm at the age of fifteen years and after visiting Columbus, Ohio; Zanesville, Ohio; Wheeling, West Virginia; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Cumberland, Maryland; Baltimore, Maryland; Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Virginia, and finding nothing to his liking to induce him to locate permanently in any of these cities, he returned to New River District, Fayette County, West Virginia, and again entered the mines, on Upper Loop Creek, working evenings and Sundays with his brother, Louis N. Williams, who was then running a photograph gallery at Mount Hope, West Virginia. He continued there a couple of years and, saving his earnings, then went to Beckley, West Virginia, with Louis N., who was moving his photograph gallery to this city. Shortly after that John D. entered the Beckley Seminary, which had been founded and was conducted at that time, 1900, by Prof. Bernard H. White and staff. Professor White was a graduate of Lebanon College, Ohio, and really the best instructor in that part of the State. He is now superintendent of schools in Charleston, West Virginia. John D. owes the real foundation of his education and the credit of such success as he has had to the sincere efforts of Professor White to instruct him properly, not only as to text book instruction, but as to ethics and morals as well. He will always hold a warm spot in his heart for Professor White.

Mr. Williams later located in Ronceverte, West Virginia, with the Singer Sewing Machine Company, working Greenbrier, Monroe and Summers counties by horse and wagon, later going to Ashland, Kentucky, and still later to Cincinnati and Springfield, Ohio, and finally locating in Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1908, he was employed for five months with the firm of Galbraith & Galbraith, mercantile collectors, and then opened a small office of his own on East Main Street, Chillicothe, Ohio, under the name of Independent Collectors Company. Later he moved to West Second Street and opened offices under the name of the Consolidated Adjustment Company and built up quite a collection business, finally changing the name to Williams Collecting Agency and having offices and associate agencies in all the principal cities of the United States and Canada. He is now forty-five years of age, has no children and lives six miles south of Chillicothe, Ohio, on the Scioto Trail, in the yellow house by the side of the road, called Rest Haven and known as John D.'s place. He is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, Chillicothe Lodge No. 1626; the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Eintracht Singing Society, the Isaac Walton

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League. His hobbies are the love of children, the study of wild life and plants, also hunting and fishing, especially bass fishing. He is a bass fisherman who fishes only during the regular season, and takes only such bass as are of legal size.

You will always find him at home to his friends.

William Foust Wiley, editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer, was born at Tarlton, Ohio, October 21, 1874, son of Ingham and Ella (Foust) Wiley. He graduated in 1898 from the Heidelburg University at Tiffin, Ohio, and the same year entered newspaper work at Washington, D. C. A year or two later, he returned to Ohio, and from 1901 to 1918 was managing editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer. Since then he has been general manager of the Enquirer.

He married Flora Lorene Arnold of Tiffin, August 20, 1889.

William Charles Hazlebeck is a lawyer by profession, but after a few years of practice became interested in business at Portsmouth, and is one of the prominent younger financiers of that city.

He was born in Cincinnati, June 10, 1883, son of William and Caroline (Eppler) Hazlebeck. His ancestors on both sides originally came from Germany. His grandfather, William Hazlebeck, was an early settler in Ohio. The maternal grandfather, Casper Eppler, married a Miss Doerr. William Hazlebeck, father of the Portsmouth attorney, was born in Toledo, in 1847, and was only seven months old when his father died and nine years old when he lost his mother. From that time he had to make his own way in the world. He was a boy soldier in the Union army, serving in Company H of the Eleventh Ohio Cavalry. After the war he became an iron moulder, and was employed for a number of years in foundries in Cincinnati, Piqua and Portsmouth. He is now deceased, and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Caroline Hazlebeck.

William Charles Hazlebeck spent his boyhood at Piqua and Portsmouth, and graduated from the Portsmouth High School in 1901. For two years he worked for the Selby Shoe Company, and then began the study of law in the Ohio State University at Columbus. Graduating in 1906, he was admitted to the bar, and for a brief time looked after a general practice. He soon accepted the post of assistant secretary and attorney under Mr. Frank Finney, secretary and attorney of the Royal Savings & Loan Company. He also became treasurer and manager of the Frank Finney Insurance & Real Estate Company. More and more of his time was taken up with these duties to the practical exclusion of his general law practice, and on the death of Mr. Finney he took charge of the business of the Savings & Loan Association and subsequently took over the insurance and real estate business, which is now the Hazlebeck Company. He has brought the company to a high standing among savings and loan organizations in Ohio, and has made the savings department one of the very strongest. He has also found time to serve for more than fifteen years as clerk of the board of education. Mr. Hazlebeck during the World war took an active part in the Red Cross and other drives. He is a member of the Evangelical Church and is superintendent of its Sunday school. He belongs to the county bar association and is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

In October, 1908, he married Miss Sadie L. Knost, who died in 1919. Her parents were Louis and Charlotte (Gulker) Knost, both natives of Ohio and now deceased. Her father was a blacksmith. Mr. and Mrs. Hazlebeck have four children, all at home and still in school, named Caroline, Mary, William C., Jr., and Margaret Ruth. In February, 1924, Mr. Hazlebeck married Miss Helen C. Beltz, of Marietta, Ohio, a graduate of Marietta College. Her parents are J. George Beltz and Caroline (Bentenmueller) Beltz, of Marietta, Ohio.

The Norwalk Public Library. Among the public libraries of Ohio few go back in consecutive record over a longer period of years than that at Norwalk. Its origin dates from Civil war times, when four groups of women and girls worked for soldiers' aid, there being two societies of women, the Alert Club of girls and another organization of smaller girls.

At the close of the war the group had a total of $1,050 surplus, $900 of which sum belonged to the Alert Club. Shortly after his return from the war Colonel Wickham, who later became a judge and congressman, called a meeting of local citizens to found a library association. He was elected its president and from the fund of $1,050 the first books were purchased.

Later Judge and Mrs. Worcester, founders of the Alert Club, deposited $1,900 with the association for building purposes. The first meeting of any record was held January 24, 1866, and one week later the associations adopted the constitution and by-laws for the establishment of the Young Men's Library and Reading Room Association. On March 5, 1867, the Whittlesey Academy of Arts and Sciences gave the association the privilege of using books and bookcases in its possession. The sum of $500 was appropriated and $6 annually for the purchase of books.

The lot where the present library stands was purchased in 1899. The dwelling on that lot was used as a library until 1903, when it was razed and the present Carnegie Library was erected at a cost of $25,000. The building was completed and opened to the public May 10, 1905.

At the opening of this building the board of trustees consisted of C. P. Wickham, president; H. S. Mitchell, vice president; A. S. Prentiss, secretary; J. A. Strutton, treasurer; C. H. Gallup, C. L. Kennan, John Laylin, A. Sheldon, C. D. Smith and G. F. Titus, while Mrs. F. B. Linn was librarian and Lucy E. Strutton assistant librarian. Miss Bertha M. Butler is the present librarian, with Nell A. Roach assistant librarian. The board of directors consists of Mr. C. P. Wickham, president; J. A. Strutton, treasurer; C. L. Kennan, vice president; A. S. Prentiss, secretary; Albert Holliday, C. F. Jackson and Theo Williams.

John Anderson Howe. Among the representative younger business men of Columbus, whose initiative and constructive energy have done much towards gaining for the capital city a wide prestige in commercial and industrial circles, John A. Howe, president of the Howe Motor Company, has won secure status.

Mr. Howe is a native of Pennsylvania, his birth occurring at Rochester, Beaver County, November 24, 1881, a son of William P. and Mary (Anderson) Howe. His maternal grandfather, John S. Anderson, was a representative of an old settled family in Beaver County, and served as a soldier in the Civil war.

The immediate subject of this sketch came to Columbus in 1911, and after serving for a while as a clerk in an auto accessory house, engaged in business for himself. In 1916 he organized the Howe-Miller Company, dealers in automobiles, and in 1918 this firm erected the substantial building on the

southwest corner of East Main and Third streets, where they continued the business under most favorable conditions.

In 1919 Mr. Howe disposed of his interest in the Howe-Miller Company, and organized the present Howe Motor Company, whose sales and display rooms are located at 1158 West Broad Street. The building originally occupied at this location was later extensively remodeled and enlarged, thereby giving the company one of the most modern, attractive and completely equipped automobile establishments in the city. Under the able management of Mr. Howe the business has steadily expanded until it has assumed imposing proportions. The Howe Motor Company is an authorized distributor of Ford and Lincoln cars and Fordson tractors, and in 1923 its sales aggregated more than 1,000 cars and tractors.

In 1912 Mr. Howe married Miss Byrd Walker Darragh of West Bridgewater, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Madison and Elizabeth (Walker) Darragh. Mrs. Howe is a direct descendant of John Hart, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and she is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. To Mr. and Mrs. Howe have been born three children: John Anderson, Jr., Robert Darragh and Nancy Byrd. The family home is maintained in Upper Arlington, on Edgemont Road, a select residential section of Columbus, in the upbuilding of which Mr. Howe has taken an active part, having been one of the first to locate in that part of the city.

In addition to his business prominence, Mr. Howe is well known in athletic and social circles, being a member of both the Aladdin and the Elks Country clubs, the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club, the Columbus Canoe Club and the Aero Club. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, an Elk, also a Knight of Pythias. He is a past exalted ruler of Rochester Lodge of Elks, and an Episcopalian in his religious affiliations.

Philip Van Ness Myers, a resident of Cincinnati, is author of a series of historical text books that were studied by several generations of American students and are still standard. He was born in New York State, August 10, 1846, is a graduate of Williams College, the Yale Law School, and from 1879 to 1890 was president of Farmer's College in Ohio. In 1890 he entered upon his long connection with the University of Cincinnati, serving as professor of history and political economy until 1900, and since 1919 as honorary lecturer in history. His best known text books were "Ancient History," first published in 1882; "Mediaeval and Modern History," 1889; "General History," published in 1889 and translated into the Chinese and Arabic tongue, eastern nations and Greece published in 1890; "History of Rome," 1890; "History of Greece," 1897; "Rome, Its Rise and Fall," 1900; "The Middle Ages," 1902; "The Modern Age," 1903.

Hallett O. Sharp, secretary of the Crawford County Historical Society, was born in that county, and has had a richly varied experience in business and other affairs. He is now a member of the editorial staff of the Mansfield Daily Journal but retains his residence in Crawford County as he was elected county recorder on the democratic ticket at the November, 1924, elections, and will assume office in September, 1925.

Mr. Sharp was born at Osceola in Todd Township, Crawford County, July 31, 1879, son of O. M. and Ida V. (Moore) Sharp. His father, who was born in Germany, in January, 1856, was brought to the United States by his parents about 1859, and grew up on the pioneer farm located by them at Osceola. He learned the trade of mason, and followed that occupation until his death in 1892. In Crawford County he married Miss Moore, who was born in Wood County, Ohio, and is still living. Both were active members of the United Brethren Church at Osceola, and the father was active in church affairs and also in the democratic party, serving as township trustee and in other minor capacities. Of six children in the family three are now living: D. L., a bookkeeper at Portland, Oregon; Clyde L., a decorator at Crestline, Ohio, and Hallett O.

Hallett O. Sharp passed his boyhood days at Osceola, attended the public schools there, and when sixteen years of age he passed a successful examination and acquired a teacher's license. Then for three years he taught school. He acquired his early newspaper training at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and he remained there for fourteen years a part of the time as representative of R. G. Dun & Company. For one year he was in the Far West at Tacoma and Seattle. On returning to Ohio he joined his mother at Crestline, and was clerk in a hotel there for five years. Since 1919 Mr. Sharp has been at Bucyrus and in the newspaper business.

He married Miss Anna L. Hight on January 24, 1920, at Crestline. Mr. Sharp is an active figure in democratic local politics, and was one of the organizers of the Crawford County Historical Society, and is doing much in the capacity of secretary to make that one of the leading organizations of its kind in the state.

John D. A. Morrow, vice president of the National Coal Association, was born at Campbellstown, Ohio, June 10, 1881, son of Richard Edwin and Martha Joanna (Adams) Morrow. He is a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and first engaged in the coal business at Pittsburgh. In 1916 he was appointed assistant secretary to the Federal Trade Commission at Washington, but resigned in December of the same year to organize the Pittsburgh Coal Producers Association. He was elected secretary of the National Coal Association in September, 1917, and on February 1, 1918, was appointed general director of coal and coke distribution under the United States Fuel Administration. He organized and directed this work until June 30, 1919. Following that, he was vice president and active executive of the National Coal Association until December 1, 1922. He is president of two large coal companies at Cincinnati and has a number of business connections there. He is an associate member of the International Chamber of Commerce and a member of the American Academy of political and social science.

Carter Newton Abel. A practical business man and professional expert in matters relating to electrical and engineering feats, Carter Newton Abel, principal stockholder of the Abel Magnesia Company, is one of the most substantial factors in the life of Greene County. He was born at York, Pennsylvania, February 23, 1885, a son of David and Mary Test Abel. David Abel was an engineer and manufacturer of wood pulp. He built half a score of pulp mills in various sections of the country, including those of Maine, New York and Pennsylvania. Subsequently he was superintendent of construction of a hydro-electric plant of 110,000 horse power in Pennsylvania, and built forty miles of canal connecting Schenectady and Canajahorie and other points in New York. Still another of the achievements which gave him so high a reputation as an engineer was the construction of three

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hydro-electric plants of 30,000 horse power each in Tennessee. He and his wife had four children born to them, the others besides Mr. Abel of this review being: Roy, who was superintendent of construction of Muscle Shoals during the World war, and who is now engaged in the work as superintendent of construction at Pawtucket, Rhode Island; Wilbur, who was associated with his father in hydro-electric development, met with so serious an accident as to halt him in his career; and Virginia, who married George Callahan, an engineer who has constructed several gigantic irrigation projects in Idaho. During the World war Mr. Callahan was commissioned a captain and assigned to duty at the Air Nitrates Plant at Toledo, Ohio.

The Abel family is of Dutch descent. The grandfather, David Abel, was a farmer and a man of magnificent physique, and his father, also David Abel, was prominent in the City of York, Pennsylvania, following the Revolutionary period, and was engaged in the manufacture of pumps. On the maternal side of the house Carter Newton Abel is of Scotch-Irish descent and is connected with the Nichols, Hoopes and Carters, all well known families of Pennsylvania. His maternal grandfather served in the Eleventh Army Corps of the Union army, and lost his life on the battlefield of Antietam.

After attending preparatory school and the York Collegiate Institute at York, Pennsylvania, Carter Newton Abel was graduated therefrom in 1904, and from the Pennsylvania State College in 1908, as an electrical engineer. In order to acquire a broad and practical experience he associated himself with the following plants in rapid succession: Southern Power Company of Charlotte, North Carolina, where he was electrical engineer; Pennsylvania Steel Corporation, Sparrow's Point, Maryland; the Illinois Steel Company, where he was special electrician and assistant electrical engineer; and the John Deere Plow Company, where he was efficiency engineer. Subsequently he was consulting engineer for coal mines in Central Pennsylvania, and did some work in settling disputes between municipalities. Thereafter he became engaged with the Bethlehem Steel Company at Sparrow's Point, Maryland, where during a period of the World war, acting as superintendent, he directly supervised millions of dollars worth of work. Still later Mr. Abel was with the Miller Rubber Company of Akron, Ohio, with a view of making a technical study of the properties of magnesia as applied to rubber, and subsequently organized the Abel Magnesia Company.

Mr. Abel is now located at Cedarville, where the company which he represents is engaged on a very large scale in the manufacture of lime and crushed stone, Mr. Abel being the controlling stockholder. He is president and general manager of this concern, and enjoys the confidence of those associated with him. Within the first year the business showed such phenomenal expansion that a new plant was erected, with a capacity of forty tons of lime daily and 600 tons of crushed stone in the same time. Plans are now being perfected for trebling the capacity of the plant within the next three years. The company is receiving orders for lime from Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Ohio and other points. During the early part of 1924 Mr. Abel made an extended tour of 2,800 miles in the interest of this company with the most satisfactory results.

On August 22, 1909, Mr. Abel married at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Sara Martha Winters, a daughter of George and Elizabeth Thomas Winters. Mr. and Mrs. Abel have two children, Sara Martha, who is attending the Cedarville High School, and Carter Newton, Jr., who is attending the graded schools of Cedarville.

Since coming to Cedarville Mr. Abel has done much to advance the general prosperity of the county, although he is not one to actively participate in public affairs. Having decided to make this locality his future home, however, he is greatly interested in its progress and can be depended upon to give an effective support to those measures which in his judgment will be of permanent benefit to the city and county.

He is a thirty-second degree Scottish-Rite Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to a number of engineering societies and to the Ohio Lime Association, in all of which he takes a determining part, for he is a firm believer in fraternal affiliation and cooperation.

Lawrence Maxwell, Cincinnati attorney, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, May 5, 1853. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and in 1912 was the commemoration orator at the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of that university. He took his law degree at the Cincinnati Law School in 1875, and since that year has been a member of the Cincinnati Bar. During 1893-95, he was solicitor general of the United States. He was professor of law at the Cincinnati Law School from 1896 to 1912, was non-resident lecturer at the Law Department at the University of Michigan from 1909 to 1916, and in 1911 was chairman of the bar committee on revision of the equity rule of the Supreme Court. In 1905 he was chairman of the section on legal education of the American Bar Association. He has been president of the Cincinnati Musical Festival Association.

Harry Reasoner Geyer, M. D. A specialist in the eye, ear, nose and throat, Doctor Geyer has enjoyed an enviable reputation in his profession and also in the civic affairs of Zanesville. His father was an honored Muskingum County physician, and his mother, Margaret Hazlett (Culbertson) Geyer, was born in Zanesville, and is a member of one of the prominent old families of that city.

His father, the late Dr. Joseph Lewis Geyer, who was born in Muskingum County, and died in April, 1916, at the age of seventy-five. He was educated in the public schools of his native county, attended Muskingum College at New Concord, and was in the service four years of the Civil war, in the medical department of the Seventy-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He read medicine, graduated from the Starling Medical College of Columbus, and began practice at Columbia Center in Lorain County. Subsequently he returned to Muskingum County and located at Norwich. His life was spent in medical practice and in doing everything possible to make conditions better, and he was one of the early good roads promoters and was honored with the office of president of the County Medical Society. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic and was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias Lodge.

Dr. Harry Reasoner Geyer is one of two children, his brother being W. C. Geyer. Doctor Geyer was born at Columbia Center, in Lorain County, May 5, 1867, but the family soon returned to Muskingum County and he was reared at Norwich, where he attended public schools. He continued his education in the Zanesville High School, and did his pre-medical work in Wooster College at Wooster, Ohio. At Wooster he was active in athletics, and was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. Doctor Geyer spent one year of study in his father's old school, the Starling Medical College at Columbus, and then entered the Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati, where

he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1892. For one year he was resident house physician in a private hospital conducted by Dr. Thad A. Rainey of Cincinnati, an institution that is now Bethesda Hospital.

Doctor Geyer began his career as a general medical practitioner at Zanesville in 1894. Sixteen years later, in 1910, he went to Philadelphia and pursued special work on the eye in the Willis Eye Sanitarium under Dr. C. W. Lefevre, of the Jefferson Medical College, and took courses on the nose and throat under Dr. D. Braden Kyle. When he returned to Zanesville, in 1912, Doctor Geyer limited his practice to the eye, ear, nose and throat, and his abilities in that field are widely recognized. He is a member of the staff of the Good Samaritan and Bethesda hospitals, and is lecturer on subjects pertaining to his specialty before the Nurses' Training School of the Good Samaritan Hospital. On October 5, 1918, Doctor Geyer was commissioned a captain in the Army Medical Corps, and was in service at Camp Sherman in Chillicothe until discharged December 24, 1918. He is now a captain in the Officers' Reserve Corps, Medical Department, and soon after his release from army service he took an active part in organizing the local company of the Ohio National Guard, now designated as Company A of the One Hundred and Sixty-sixth Infantry. He is a member of the American Legion and the County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Geyer was one of the incorporators and is a stockholder, director and treasurer of the Ohio Pottery Company, one of the prominent pottery industries of the Zanesville district, and a pioneer in the manufacture of French china in the United States. The company was incorporated in 1900, with a capitalization of $75,000. It manufactures fireproof cooking utensils, porcelain containers for chemical and other laboratory uses and white and decorated china for hotels and table use. Doctor Geyer finds an interesting hobby in the cultivation of his flower garden, and he also pursues the game of golf on the links of the Zanesville Golf Club. He is a member of the Zane Club, the Rotary Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in Masonry is affiliated with Amity Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Zanesville Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Zanesville Council, Royal and Select Masters; Cyrene Commandery, Knights Templar; Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus.

On October 22, 1896, at Zanesville, Doctor Geyer married Miss Margaret Bimple Foye, a native of Zanesville. Her father, the late Henry Foye, was a private in the Fifteenth Ohio Infantry during the Civil war, and for many years was an employe of a local express company. Doctor and Mrs. Geyer have one daughter, Katherine, who in 1925 graduates from the Sargent School of Physical Education at Cambridge, Massachusetts. Doctor Geyer had an active part in all the local war drives before he entered the service. He and Mrs. Geyer are members of St. James Episcopal Church, and Mrs. Geyer is treasurer of the Parish Aid Society and the other auxiliary organizations.

William McKibbin, president of Lane Theological Seminary at Cincinnati, was born at Pittsburgh, May 24, 1850. He graduated in 1869 from Princeton College, in 1873 from the Western Theological Seminary of Pennsylvania and was ordained to the Presbyterian ministry in May, 1873. He was pastor of the churches at Pittsburgh, St. Paul, Cincinnati, his pastorate in Cincinnati beginning in 1888. Since 1904 he has been president and professor of systematic theology in the Lane Theological Seminary.

Hon. George S. Pease. In the person of Hon. George S. Pease, now serving his second term in the office of mayor of West Carrollton, this live and enterprising community has a progressive and constructive official and citizen who both in public and private capacities has contributed to the material welfare of his native place and has entered into the various phases of activity which make up its daily life.

Mayor Pease was born at West Carrollton, March 3, 1873, and is a son of David W. and Anna E. (LeCompte) Pease, being descended from ancestors who immigrated to the United States from Hull, England. His father was the first agent at West Carrollton for the Big Four Railroad, having entered upon the duties of that position in 1872. The public graded and high schools of his native city furnished George S. Pease with his educational training, and after he had graduated from the latter he took up school teaching at West Carrollton and in the rural districts of Montgomery County. School teaching did not appeal to him, however, and he accordingly went to Carthage, where he acted as station agent for the Big Four Railroad for a time. In 1895 he resigned his position and went to California, but in 1897 returned to West Carrollton and became identified with the asbestos business, being the incumbent of a position the duties of which took him to Dayton and Toledo, Ohio, as well as to points in Virginia and North Carolina. In 1920 he resumed his permanent residence at West Carrollton and became paymaster and timekeeper for the Miami Paper Company, a position in which he still acts. Mr. Pease became well known to the people of West Carrollton, who appreciated his ability and integrity, and in 1921, when the citizens ticket was formed, his name was placed at the top for the office of mayor. His first term of office showed that the confidence reposed in him had not been misplaced, and in 1923 he was again nominated and subsequently elected to succeed himself. He has done much for the betterment of West Carrollton in the way of civic improvements, and can be relied upon to exert every effort in supporting measures promulgated by men of enlightened views. In 1923 Mayor Pease was the republican candidate for the office of county auditor, and in 1924 was a candidate for the post of county commissioner of Montgomery County. Fraternally Mayor Pease is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Eastern Star, the Masonic Engineers and the Rebekahs, and is a past grand master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also is president of the Auld Lang Syne Association, president of the A. B. C. Club, and treasurer of the Evergreen Cemetery Association.

On September 5, 1906, Mr. Pease was united in marriage at West Carrollton with Miss Mary E. Adair, daughter of Dr. J. H. and Laura (Montgomery) Adair, of Blanchester, Ohio, where Doctor Adair is engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Pease: Howard and George A., who are attending public school.

Nicholas Longworth, republican store leader of the National House of Representatives in 1923-25, and frequently referred to as the most influential and useful republican member of Congress during that time, was born at Cincinnati, November 5, 1869, son of Nicholas and Susan (Walker) Longworth. He is a graduate of Harvard University, attended the Harvard law school, and took his law degree at the Cincinnati law school in 1894. In that year he was admitted to the bar. His public service began as a member of the Cincinnati Board of Education. He was a member of the Ohio House of Representatives in 1899-01, of the Ohio senate from 1901 to

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1903, and in 1902 was elected for his first term in Congress as a member of the Fifty-eighth Congress. He served consecutively until 1913, through the Sixty-second Congress, and in 1914 was reelected to the Fifty-fourth Congress. At the end of the Sixty-eighth Congress he will have spent twenty years in the House of Representatives as representative of the First Ohio District. Mr. Longworth married in the White House at Washington on February 17, 1906, Alice Lee Roosevelt, daughter of President Roosevelt.

HERBERT H. KNAPP, founder and proprietor of Knapp's "Hi-Grade" Hatchery and Poultry Farm at Shelby, Richland County, has gained leadership in connection with the development of the fine poultry industry in the United States. An appreciative editorial estimate of his achievement along this line was published in the Golden Jubilee number of the Reliable Poultry Journal of February, 1923, and the editor headed his article with the following significant words: "Does all that he starts out to do. That, in truth, can be said of Herbert H. Knapp—his record proves it." As indicative of the splendid achievement of Mr. Knapp and the importance of the industrial enterprise he has developed at Shelby it is but consistent that liberal quotations from the above mentioned article be perpetuated here.

"There are four outstanding facts in the poultry record of Mr. Knapp, each one of which is of current importance. First, Mr. Knapp was largely instrumental in organizing the International Baby Chick Association, which in the short period of seven or eight years has become one of the most active and influential factors in this country in behalf of better poultry. Second, Mr. Knapp, in his capacity as president of the International Baby Chick Association, did more than any other one man to persuade the United States postal authorities to admit live baby chicks to the mails for transportation by parcel post. If he had ended his life's journey the next day that achievement would have been a great monument for any poultry man for all time. Third. First to last, as a producer of day-old baby chicks Mr. Knapp has stood solidly not only for a square deal in business methods but for truly good quality in breeding stock and the baby chicks sold therefrom. Fourth. Today Mr. Knapp occupies a position in the front rank as a hatcher or baby-chick man who believes firmly in a combination in domestic fowl of the essential standard requirements, together with high egg production, as determined by the trap-nest and based on pedigree breeding.

"The Baby Chick Association was started as a department of the American Poultry Association, with Mr. Knapp as its first president—a position he held with success and honor during a period of five years. The interests of this association were of such wide scope and developed so rapidly that it soon became practically an independent organization, which it is today, holding separate conventions, having a separate constitution, etc. It was during war times that Mr. Knapp, as president of the Baby Chick Association, stepped into the breach and practically saved the baby-chick industry—at least for that period—by securing the admission of live baby chicks to the United States mails."

In speaking of Mr. Knapp's precedence as an extensive producer of high-grade baby chicks, the article continues as follows: "First. His splendidly equipped plant at Shelby, Ohio, has a hatching capacity in excess of 100,000 eggs, made up of down-to-date Buckeye Mammoth Forced-Draft Incubators. Second. Mr. Knapp furnishes baby chicks of three grades: A 'Select' grade, the 'Hi-grade' quality, and the 'Hi-Test' grade. 'Select' in this case means from well culled general flocks of good-quality birds. 'Hi-grade' means Hoganized hens mated to pedigreed males. 'This season,' writes Mr. Knapp, 'we have selected Standard-type males with Hi-grade pedigrees to sire our Hi-grade quality. Many of these males are sired by a cock bird with a 276-egg record.' Describing briefly his 'Hi-Test' grade, Mr. Knapp writes: 'Approximately 1,000 of our birds are being trapped at the present time, which is the only way to obtain accurate records from which to select breeding birds. In our best 'Hi-Test' mating (S. C. W. Leghorns) the trap-nest average is 257 eggs per hen. We have, however, a much larger number of hens that have done better than 250 eggs in twelve consecutive months. We depend upon the 250-290 birds to produce our breeders.'

"Writing further on this vital element in present-day poultry success, Mr. Knapp said: 'The day of the scrub hen is over—no one can afford to keep her. Housing and feeding cost just as much for a non-producer as for a hen that is consistently filling the egg basket. The only economical way to build up a profitable producing flock is to buy chicks that are bred to lay. My present plan has been developed from my forty years of experience with standard-bred poultry. Our big objective is a combination of high-laying qualities with the best standard type and color. We are handling S. C. White, Brown and Buff Leghorns, R. C. Brown Leghorns, Barred and White Plymouth Rocks, S. C. Anconas, S. C. and R. C. Rhode Island Reds, White and Silver Wyandottes, and White and Buff Orpingtons.'"

It is needless to say that Mr. Knapp has made prolonged and careful study and experimentation in connection with the line of industrial enterprise in which he has won distinctive success and reputation, and in which he has added not a little to the industrial prestige of his native state. Mr. Knapp issues an attractive catalogue in connection with his poultry business, and the publication gives information that the limitations of this article make it impossible to offer.

Mr. Knapp was born at Jefferson, Ashtabula County, Ohio, and at the age of fifteen years he initiated his exhibitions of poultry bred by him. He has continued an enthusiastic poultry fancier during the intervening years, and though he was for some time engaged in the mercantile business he has concentrated his activities in the poultry industry since establishing his residence at Shelby in the year 1906.

Mr. Knapp wedded Miss Eva L. Robb, daughter of Hon. I. H. Robb, of Sandy Lake, Pennsylvania, and the four children of this union are Harry H., Reginald E., Irene and Evelyn. The elder son is now associated with his father's business, and the younger son is (1923) a student in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware.

PHILLIP SHERIDAN SKEELE. Through the office of general yardmaster of the Pennsylvania Railway at Columbus, Phillip Sheridan Skeele has risen as a result of a third of a century of consecutive work and faithful service.

Mr. Skeele was born at Worthington, in Franklin County, Ohio, October 11, 1868, son of John S. and Harriet (Bromley) Skeele. On both sides he is of Revolutionary ancestry. His grandfather, the son of a Universalist minister, was an early settler in Pickaway County, Ohio, coming from Utica, New York. John S. Skeele was born in Pickaway County, in 1832, and in 1861 enlisted as a soldier in the Civil war, being a member of the 113th Ohio Infantry. His wife, Harriet Bromley, born in New York State in 1835, was daughter of Herrick Bromley, a major in the War of 1812, and granddaughter of a soldier of the Revolution.

Phillip Sheridan Skeele has spent practically all his life in the vicinity of Columbus. He acquired his education in the schools of that city, and was a young man of twenty-two when he went to work as a railroad man in 1890. His service has been continuous with the Pennsylvania System in Columbus for thirty-three years. He started as a truck man, two months later was made yard clerk in the office of the yardmaster, serving in that capacity nine years, and in 1899 was promoted to yardmaster. His next degree of responsibility came in 1917, when he was promoted to general yardmaster of the Pennsylvania System for the entire Columbus yards and terminals. The Pennsylvania Railway's interests in Columbus are very extensive. Reporting to Mr. Skeele's office are three assistant general yardmasters and thirty-two yardmasters, while the entire department under his supervision has a total of nearly 900 employes.

Since 1896 Mr. Skeele's home has been in the Village of Marble Cliff, known as Arlington. This is a fine residence community, and many leading citizens of Columbus have their homes there. In the November election of 1923 Mr. Skeele was honored without any activity or solicitation on his part with election as mayor of the village. However, for many years he has served the community in other capacities, having been a member of the school board and individually working for the general welfare and improvement of the locality. He is a member of the Community Church and the Community Masonic Lodge. Mr. Skeele is married, and he and his wife have one son, Bradley Skeele.

Henry Marcus Lane, who has to his credit a long list of achievements in mechanical engineering, was born at Cincinnati, still his home city, August 15, 1854, son of Philander Parmelee and Sophia Rebecca (Bosworth) Lane. He graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1873, and for a time was connected with the firm Lane & Bodley, engine builders at Cincinnati. He served as constructing engineer for the Elm Street Inclined Plane Railway in 1875, for the Mount Adams Inclined Plane Railway from 1879 to 1880, and he built the Gilbert Avenue Cable Railway, the first cable road in Ohio, during 1885-86. He was builder of the Vine Street Cable Railway in Cincinnati in 1887, of the Denver Tramway in 1888, this being the first cable railway in Colorado; of the Providence Cable Tramway in 1889, the first and only cable railway ever built in the New England states. He was consulting engineer for the St. Louis Cable Railway Company, the Western Railway Company of St. Paul, the Boston Tramway Company, and was perhaps the foremost American authority on street railway construction before the introduction of electric power. Since 1890 he has been president of the Lane & Bartley Company. He married Blanche A. Conkling, on February 4, 1903.

Harry W. Miller has been a practicing lawyer at the Portsmouth bar for thirty years, and is known all over this part of the state for his success as a business and corporation lawyer.

He was born at Portsmouth, Scioto County, March 24, 1869, son of Isaac and Ellen (Ward) Miller, and grandson of Abraham Miller, a native of Ohio, who married a Miss Lossee, who was born in Lawrence County, a member of one of the first families to settle there. The maternal grandfather of the Portsmouth attorney was John L. Ward, a native of Georgetown, Maryland. He married Mary Smith, who was born in Carlisle County, Pennsylvania. Both of Mr. Miller's parents were natives of Ohio and are now deceased. Isaac Miller, who died in 1903, was a steamboat captain, and was known all up and down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers from Pittsburgh to New Orleans. He was one of the old timers in the business, a man of very interesting experiences, and possessed a kindly character that made him conspicuous among old-time steamboat men. He was a very devout Christian, active in the Presbyterian Church.

Harry W. Miller was reared in Portsmouth, attended the grammar schools and later a private school conducted by a well known educator, Professor J. A. Lowes. He learned stenography, and while doing stenographic work and court reporting for the law firm of Harper, Searl and Miller he studied law and was admitted to the bar by examination in 1893. He soon afterward engaged in private practice at Portsmouth, and for many years has been a member of the firm Miller and Searl. While they do a general practice, most of their work is as general counsel for prominent corporations, including the Central National Bank of Portsmouth, the American Building and Loan Association, one of the largest concerns of the kind in the state, the Portsmouth Street Railway, the Ohio Valley Traction Company.

In addition to his law practice Mr. Miller has rendered some good service as a public official. He was city solicitor in 1897-99, has been a member of the City Council, and from 1903 to 1909 was prosecuting attorney of Scioto County. He has also served as a member of the Board of Examiners for admission to the bar. During the administration of President Taft he was solicitor for the navy department and during the World war, being denied the privilege of active service in the field, he devoted much of his time to speeches as president of the Scioto County Red Cross and as a speaker in many patriotic causes. He is a member of the County, State and America Bar Associations, is a Presbyterian and a republican, fraternally is a member of the Masonic Lodge and a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

January 3, 1901, at Columbus, Mr. Miller married Miss Annis McLaughlin. She was born in Albany, New York, but afterward lived in Columbus, Ohio, and is a graduate of the Ohio State University. Her parents were Robert McLaughlin and Mary TenEyck Bennett. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have two sons: Ward McLaughlin, who graduated Bachelor of Arts in June, 1923, from the Ohio State University at Columbus, and is now studying law; and James Bennett, a junior in the Ohio State University. The oldest son was born in 1901 and James B., in 1904.

Joseph Crane Hartzell, a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Cincinnati, was born at Moline, Illinois, June 1, 1842. He is a graduate of the Illinois Wesleyan University, the Garrett Biblical Institute of Northwestern University, and was ordained to the ministry in 1866. From 1873 to 1882 he was superintendent of the educational and editorial work at New Orleans, served as assistant secretary from 1882 to 1887, as secretary from 1887 to 1896, of the Freedmen's Aid and Educational Society of the Methodist Church. From 1896 to 1916 he was missionary bishop of Africa, being retired in the latter year by the age limit. He founded in 1875, the Southwestern Christian Advocate. He has been a delegate to many general quadrennial conferences and was special envoy to the United States and England in behalf of the Republic of Liberia, succeeding in averting a crisis between that country and Germany. He married Jennie Culver of Chicago, November 14, 1869.

Their son, J. Culver Hartzell, also of Cincinnati, was born in New Orleans in 1870, graduated in med-

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icine and has given his life to science. He was professor of chemistry in the University of the Pacific from 1904 to 1910, was consulting engineer in chemistry and metallography at the Illinois Malleable Iron Company, and returned to Cincinnati as chief chemist of the Cincinnati Milling Machine Company. Since 1921 he has been president and general manager of the Ohio Less Gas Company. He has published many articles on geology, chemistry, water purification, metallography and similar subjects and is a member of a number of scientific and technical societies.

HARRY ROBERT SHICK, manager of the Jackson Iron & Steel Company at Jackson, has a reputation by no means confined to this one plant. Leaders in the iron and steel industry refer to his record of production as surpassing that of any other furnace manager. While a comparatively young man, his experience in the iron and steel industry has been continuous since early youth.

Mr. Shick was born at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, July 13, 1884. His parents are Robert Henry and Ida (Kichline) Shick. His grandfather Shick was a lieutenant in the Union army during the Civil war. The grandfather Kichline was a Quaker of old Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. Robert H. Shick is superintendent of the Blooming Mills at Duquesne, Pennsylvania, Carnegie Steel Company. He is an active member of the Presbyterian Church and in former years was superintendent of the Sunday School. He and his wife had four children: Harry R.; William, who is shipping clerk at the McDonald Works at Youngstown, Ohio, and by his marriage to Minnie Bulmer has a son, Howard, and daughter, Jean; Robert, attending Harvard Law School; and Mabel, a student in Wellesley College.

Harry Robert Shick was reared at Duquesne, Pennsylvania, attending public schools there and a business college at Pittsburgh. He began his career as a clerk in a blast furnace at Duquesne with the Carnegie Steel Company. After two years there he became furnace clerk with the Illinois Steel Company of Joliet, Illinois, was then promoted to the South Chicago plant as assistant to the superintendent, remaining there three years and being promoted to furnace foreman. He then returned to Duquesne, Pennsylvania, as night superintendent for the Carnegie Steel Company, holding that responsible position for seven years. His next duties were with the Pittsburgh Steel Company at Monessen, as assistant superintendent. At that time the most modern steel plant in the United States was being installed at Monessen. He began his duties there in 1912, and after a year was promoted to superintendent of the plant, and while in that position he broke all the blast furnace records as to output for day, week, month and year. His record of volume and quality of production stood until recently as the high water mark. Mr. Shick was for four years manager at Monessen, and then spent three years at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, as superintendent for the Cambria Steel Company, with eleven blast furnaces under his supervision. Mr. Shick on leaving Johnstown, Pennsylvania, came to the Jackson Steel and Iron Company at Jackson, Ohio, as superintendent.

Here he has broken all records of production of high silvery iron. The plant at Jackson uses lake ores and coal from its own mine, and the capacity of the furnace is 350 tons per day. There are five blasts, and the eighty employes at the furnace run in three shifts, with forty-five men in the mine. This furnace is the most up-to-date plant of its kind in Southern Ohio, and it has been completely rebuilt under the supervision of Mr. Shick. On account of the high grade of production this plant has been operated at full capacity.

Mr. Shick is a republican in politics and a member of the Presbyterian Church. On January 29, 1908, at Duquesne, Pennsylvania, he married Elizabeth Weir. Her parents, Robert and Jean (Baird) Weir, were born and married in Scotland, and came to the United States about 1870. Her father, who died in 1916, was a contractor and builder, and very active in republican politics, holding several city offices in Pennsylvania. He was a Mason and a Presbyterian. Mrs. Shick was next to the youngest in a family of ten children. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. Shick are: Harry, born in 1909; Alvin, born in 1912; Robert, born in 1916, and Bettie, born in 1919.

VICTOR HEINTZ, Cincinnati attorney and former congressman was born in Illinois, November 20, 1875. He is a graduate of both the literary and law departments of the University of Cincinnati, and in 1899 engaged in practice in that city. In 1916 he was elected to the Sixty-fifth Congress of the Second Ohio District. He resigned his seat in Congress in July, 1917, to join the army, and declined to stand for reelection while in the army. He was a member of Troop C, First Ohio Cavalry, three and one-half years, captain of the First Regiment Ohio Infantry for three years and at the time of the World war became captain of the One Hundred and Forty-seventh United States Infantry, serving until the close of the war. Since then he has resumed his law practice in Cincinnati and Washington. He was prominent as regional director in the twenty mid-western states during the republican campaign of 1920.

H. D. JACKSON, M. D. One of the valuable men in the medical and surgical profession of Pickaway County, Doctor Jackson has made good in his profession and also has an interesting record of service in the Ohio National Guard, was in the Rainbow Division during the World war, and is still prominently identified with the medical corps of the Ohio State Military establishment.

He was born at Circleville, son of Henry Allen and Ella M. (Demuth) Jackson, and grandson of William Jackson. William Jackson was an early settler of Pickaway County, and built the first tannery on the canal at Circleville. Henry A. Jackson was for twenty years or more a leading grain dealer of Circleville, where he was reared and educated.

Doctor Jackson was the only child of his parents. He was educated in the common schools, graduated from high school in 1901, and after some experience in newspaper work he entered the grain business and for a time managed his father's grain elevator and subsequently became identified with the Ohio Cereal Company. He gave up business to enter the medical department of Ohio State University, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1911. He had additional experience in Mercy Hospital at Columbus, and then returned to Circleville to engage in general practice. He is a man of high standing in his profession and is president of the Pickaway County Medical Society and a member of the State and American Medical associations.

When Company F of the Fourth Regiment, Ohio National Guard, was organized, he was commissioned a first lieutenant, and in 1905 was elected captain. When the World war came on he went to France as a first lieutenant in the One Hundred and Sixty-sixth Regiment of the famous Rainbow or Forty-second Division. He was promoted to captain and then to major in the medical corps, and was on duty with the division all the time it was in France and

also with the Army of Occupation in Germany. He returned to America with the division, and now holds the rank of lieutenant-colonel in the medical corps, assigned to the One Hundred and Twelfth Medical Regiment.

Doctor Jackson is active in the American Legion, and is a past and also the present eminent commander of Scioto Commandery No. 35 of Knights Templar Masons. He is also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Knights of Pythias. In 1912 Doctor Jackson married Mary Ludwig, a daughter of David S. and Rosalie (Dreesbach) Ludwig, both natives of Pickaway County, Ohio. The two children of Doctor and Mrs. Jackson are Rosemary and David L.

Albert Henry Freiberg, M. D. A distinguished authority on orthopedic surgery, Albert Henry Freiberg was born at Cincinnati, August 17, 1868, is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati, and its Medical Department, and has taken special work in German and Austrian universities. Since 1893 he has been engaged in practice at Cincinnati, and since 1902 has held the chair of professor of orthopedic surgery in the Medical Department of the University of Cincinnati. He is orthopedic surgeon to the Cincinnati and Jewish hospitals, and during the World war was a member of the Advisory Board on orthopedics with the rank of major in the medical corps. He was president of the American Orthopedic Association in 1910-11, chairman of the section of orthopedic surgery of the American Medical Association in 1917-18, president of the Cincinnati Academy of Medicine in 1923-24. He has contributed many articles to periodical literature of orthopedic surgery, both in the United States and Europe.

Asa E. McCoy has been successfully and independently engaged in the automobile business in the City of Ironton, Lawrence County, since 1920, and here has the agency for the Oakland, Jewett, Paige and Reo automobiles, his well equipped headquarters being the center of a substantial and prosperous business.

Three brothers of the McCoy family came from Ireland and settled in Maryland in an early day, and from that state representatives of the name moved to Kentucky, in Pike County, in which state Asa E. McCoy was born April 7, 1881, a son of Rev. Peter B. and Lyda (Goble) McCoy, who likewise were born in Kentucky and who have maintained their home at Ironton, Ohio, since 1915. On the paternal side Mrs. McCoy is of Holland Dutch lineage, her paternal grandfather having been an early settler in Kentucky and the family name of his wife having been Sellards. Rev. Peter B. McCoy was reared and educated in Kentucky, was a successful school teacher in his early manhood, gave five years to the coal-mining industry, for three years was bookkeeper for a lumber company, and he served four years as assessor of Martin County, Kentucky, while engaged in farm enterprise in that county. As a clergyman of the United Baptist Church he has been earnest and zealous in his service for thirty-seven years.

In the high school at Paintsville, Kentucky, Asa E. McCoy was graduated as a member of the class of 1901, and he then entered the employ of the J. S. Walker Lumber Company, with which he continued his alliance three and one-half years in the capacity of bookkeeper and timekeeper. For nine and one-half years thereafter he was bookkeeper for the D. E. Hewet Lumber Company, engaged in the lumber business at Huntington, West Virginia. His next venture was made in 1920, when he engaged in the automobile business at Ironton, his energy, ability and progressive policies having here been potent in his upbuilding of a substantial and prosperous business. He is a member of the Business Men's Club of Ironton, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and he and his wife hold membership in the United Baptist Church.

His paternal grandparents, Asa P. and Caroline McCoy, continued to reside in Kentucky until their death, as did also his maternal grandparents, Christopher and Ella Goble. He is the second in a family of eight children, his eldest sister, Caroline, being married and a resident of Kentucky; Christopher, James P. and Monroe are likewise married and well established in life; Kenis is deceased; Jarva is unmarried, and Ella is married.

In Martin County, Kentucky, on the 27th of November, 1902, was solemnized the marriage of Asa E. McCoy and Miss Brilla Williamson, daughter of Samuel B. and Mary Williamson, who still reside in Kentucky, where the father is a substantial farmer in Martin County, both he and his wife being members of the United Baptist Church. Mr. and Mrs. McCoy have five children: Wray, Scott, Harley, Tressa and Helena.

Alexander Greer Drury, M. D., has been engaged in practice at Cincinnati since September, 1869, and has enjoyed many distinguished honors in his profession. He was born across the river from Cincinnati at Covington, February 3, 1844, son of Asa and Elizabeth Williams (Getchell) Drury. He is a graduate of Centre College in Kentucky, took his Doctor of Medicine degree at the University of Pennsylvania in 1868, and the Medical College of Ohio awarded him the same degree in 1878. He served as district physician at Cincinnati in 1874-75, as professor of dermatology in the Laura Memorial Woman's Medical College from 1890 to 1900, as professor of hygiene from 1901 to 1910, and in 1910 has been professor emeritus at the University of Cincinnati. He held all the important offices in the Academy of Medicine in Cincinnati, and is a member of the Cincinnati Obstetrical Society, the Cincinnati Research Society, the Ohio Society Sons of the Revolution, and since 1906 has been president of the Cincinnati Folk Lore Society. He is author of "Legends of the Apple," and "Dante-Physician."

Samuel Horchow, a prominent citizen of Portsmouth, Ohio, was born in Brody, Austria (now Poland), on February 13, 1867. He died in Columbus, Ohio, on March 21, 1924.

He was the son of Isaac and Masie (Dachs) Horchow. His parents were reared in Austria and were of the fine Jewish stock that added so much to the prosperity of the then dual monarchy under many handicaps. His father was a broker, and, possessed of an unusually fine education, devoted much of his time to authorship in the field of Hebrew literature.

As was the custom, Samuel Horchow received a sound Hebrew education in his early years before entering the public schools of Brody. In all his work he took very high rank and graduated with highest honors. Not content with this excellent preparation, he entered the University of Vienna, and after a brilliantly studious career, in which he specialized in law, he graduated with honors in 1889. For several years he was engaged in the practice of his profession in Vienna, and then, having fulfilled his military obligations (compulsory military service was then the custom in Austria), he came to the land of opportunity.

Arriving in New York in April, 1892, some six months' residence there persuaded him that

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greater opportunities awaited him elsewhere, and he came to Portsmouth, Ohio. There he resided until his death.

He first entered the business world on a very modest scale in the sale of pictures and house furnishing goods. From these humble beginnings he rose by slow steps until at the time of his death the Samuel Horchow Company was one of the largest firms in the state (excepting a few in the larger cities), engaged in the sale of furniture and house furnishing goods of every description.

On February 12, 1893, at Portsmouth, he married Miss Laura Brillant, of Brody, Austria, daughter of Rebecca and Joseph Brillant, both of whom were natives of Austria. This was the culmination of a romance of school and college days. To this happy union were born three sons: Joseph, Reuben and Leo. At their father's death Joseph and Leo assumed the active management of his business, in which they had been closely associated with him during his life.

Samuel Horchow was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, an Elk, a Mason, a Knight of Pythias, a Modern Woodman of America and most active in the B'nai B'rith. As a leader of the work of the Bureau of Community Service he did much to put the philanthropic and charitable work of his city on a sound and generous basis. He was a leader in civic and public affairs, a good citizen, a good Jew. His community and state mourned his untimely death.

Henry H. Hoppe is one of the successful younger members of the bar of Trumbull County, and is engaged in practice in the City of Warren, the county seat, where he is a member of the representative law firm of Fillius & Fillius.

Henry Herman Hoppe was born in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 24th of June, 1894, and that city has ever continued the home of his parents, Henry and Frances (Wuebben) Hoppe, the former of whom was there born July 5, 1861, and the latter on the 22d of March, 1867. Henry Hoppe at the age of fourteen years became associated with the Western German Bank, now the Western Bank & Trust Company, of Cincinnati, with which institution he has continued his active association during the long intervening period of forty-four years, and of which he is now the vice president. He is one of the substantial business men and progressive citizens of his native city and is a republican in politics. He and his wife are earnest communicants of the Catholic Church, and he holds at the time of this writing influential membership in Archbishop Elder Council of the Knights of Columbus. Of the five children the subject of this sketch was the second in order of birth, his eldest sister, Gertrude W., being the wife of John Tuke, vice president of the Sun Mutual Insurance Company at Cincinnati; Louella is the wife of Adam Mueller, who is now engaged in farm enterprise near Sierra Madre, California; Hermina remains at the parental home; Marie is the wife of Carl Mitchell, a contractor and builder in Cincinnati.

Henry H. Hoppe attended Notre Dame Academy at Cincinnati for a period of five years, thereafter was a student three years in St. Xavier College, that city, and in 1912 he was there graduated from Walnut Hills High School. He then entered the University of Cincinnati, and in this institution he was graduated in 1916, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He next completed a three years' course in the Law School of Harvard University, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1919 and from which he received his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the Ohio bar on the 4th of July of that year, and forthwith chose Warren as the stage of his professional work, he having here become, on the 1st of April, 1922, an associate member of the law firm of Fillius & Fillius, with offices on the seventh floor of the Western Reserve Bank Building. Mr. Hoppe has effectively demonstrated his ability both as a trial lawyer and as a counselor, the while he has proved the solidity and comprehensiveness of his legal knowledge. He is aligned staunchly in the ranks of the republican party, is an active communicant of the Catholic Church, is a member of the parish of St. Mary's Church in Warren, and is affiliated with Warren Council No. 620, Knights of Columbus, and Warren Lodge No. 295, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, as is he also with the Phi Delta Theta, the Tau Kappa Alpha and the Sigma Sigma college fraternities. He is identified with the Ohio State Bar Association, besides being a member of the Trumbull County Bar Association. He is a member of the Trumbull County Country Club, and is a stockholder in the Second National Bank of Warren.

On the 29th of April, 1920, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Hoppe and Miss Helen Flanagan, daughter of John and Margaret (Kelley) Flanagan, her father being a retired manufacturer who was long connected with the Black Diamnod Paint & Varnish Company of Cincinnati. Mrs. Hoppe is a graduate of Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, from which she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. and Mrs. Hoppe have three children: O'Ine, who was born March 13, 1921; Dorothy Louise, who was born March 31, 1923, and Henry H. Hoppe, Jr., who was born September 20, 1924.

Dominic Hoppe, grandfather of Henry H. Hoppe, was born in Ostenabruck, Hanover, Germany, was reared and educated in his native land, and there served his allotted term in the German army. He was a young man when he came to the United States. From New Orleans he proceeded up the Mississippi and Ohio rivers and established his residence in Cincinnati, where he became a successful commission merchant, as head of the firm of D. Hoppe & Company, and where he passed the remainder of his life.

Harry Perkins Sparling, M. D. A physician and surgeon at London, Madison County, for fifteen years, Doctor Sparling represents the third consecutive generation of the Sparling family to practice medicine in the State of Ohio.

His grandfather, Wyndham Sparling, was born in Ireland, graduated from Queen Anne's Medical College in 1848, and for some time was in the medical service of the British navy as ship's physician. Coming to the United States, he settled in Noble County, Ohio, and practiced medicine there, earning a high place in the community. He married in Ireland and had two sons, one of whom continued the profession of medicine in the family, while the other took up the law.

Doctor Francis Ridley Sparling, the second generation in the medical profession, was born in Noble County, Ohio, was educated in public schools there and in Washington County, and in 1880 was graduated from the Starling Medical College of Columbus. For forty years he was one of the ablest physicians in Washington County, a man of rare public spirit and faithful in all his relationships. He died at Marietta in 1922. In 1881 he married Carrie Perkins, daughter of Ezra Perkins, one of the old-time citizens of Washington County. She died at Marietta in 1923. They had a family of four sons and two daughters. One of the sons, Wyndham Clyde Sparling, while a student in the Starling Medical Col-

lege at Columbus in 1913 was awarded the Carnegie medal and the $1,000 in money for his bravery in rescuing people during the great flood of that year.

Doctor Harry Perkins Sparling, son of the late Dr. Francis Ridley Sparling, was born in Washington County, Ohio, November 23, 1883. He is a graduate of the Marietta High School, also of Marietta College, and took his medical course in Starling Medical College, now the medical department of the Ohio State University at Columbus. After graduating in 1910 he spent a year as house surgeon in Mount Carmel Hospital at Columbus, and since then has been engaged in a general medical and surgical practice at London. He is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the London Country Club. In politics he is a republican.

Doctor Sparling married at Columbus, in February, 1910, Miss Estella Murphy, daughter of William H. and Mary Murphy, of Columbus. Their four children are: Harold, born in 1911; William, born in 1912; Mary Catherine, born in 1913, and Jean Margaret, born in 1915.

Robert Mitchell Burton, one of the most prominent of Cincinnati manufacturers, was born in that city, July 7, 1864, son of Stephen Remington and Jane (Mitchell) Burton. He was educated in the Harcourt Academy at Gambier, Ohio, and the St. Paul School at Concord, New Hampshire, and ten years of his early life were spent in the stove foundry industry and four years in the hotel kitchen outfitting business. Since 1896 he has been one of the leading American manufacturers of laundry machinery. He is president of the American Laundry Machinery Company, a director of the Canadian Laundry Machinery Company, of the Burton Range Company, the Robert Mitchell Furniture Company, Fourth and Central Trust Company, the First National Bank of Norwood. He is a republican and a member of the Episcopal Church. He married Mary Tylor of Cincinnati, October 24, 1889.

Samuel K. Hughes. A busy life devoted to farming, stock raising and many associated interests made the late Samuel K. Hughes, of Butler County, a notable Ohioan of his generation. He was a type of constructive figure who did business combined with public welfare, so that the efficiency with which he directed all his affairs constituted in an important measure a source of direct benefit to a large community.

Mr. Hughes died at his home on the Monroe Road, just off the Dixie Highway south of Middletown, August 7, 1924. He had been known for nearly forty years as "the Sage of Lesourdsville." His farm was at the old postoffice at Lesourdsville. He was born at his father's homestead in Lemon Township of Butler County, November 1, 1839, and had attained the impressive age of nearly eighty-five when he died. His grandfather, Elijah Hughes, came from Maryland with his family in the early '20s of the last century. He occupied a tract of land with a log cabin home, and followed his trade of blacksmith, while his sons worked in the fields. He was one of the sturdy pioneers, doing well for his family and for the community. He was liberal in supporting the church and entertaining the early ministers. His death occurred in 1852. Several of his sons became prominent in the financial affairs of Butler County, Micajah being organizer and first president of the First National Bank of Hamilton, and was succeeded in that office by another brother, Philip.

Daniel Hughes, the oldest son of Elijah Hughes, was one of the children who drove across the country from Baltimore to Southern Ohio. He acquired the old homestead between Hamilton and Middletown, eight miles from Hamilton, on the Dixie Highway, and in the course of time developed an estate of 500 acres, including some of the finest farming lands in the marvelously rich Miami Valley. He died July 14, 1884, at the age of seventy-nine. He was a democrat in politics and an earnest and high-minded citizen at all times. He married Ann B. Kain, daughter of Samuel Kain. She was a very devout Methodist. She died in 1877. Their children were: Mary Jane, who married Job Mulford; Elijah; Sarah, who died in infancy, and Samuel K.

Samuel K. Hughes received his early education in a log schoolhouse and was well trained in the arts of farming by his father. In 1884 he and his brother Elijah took charge of the homestead, and for over forty years they continued its operation interests, was a director in the Monroe National Bank, and a stockholder in other banks, manufacturing and coal mining corporations, and was president of the Union Town Coal & Mining Company. For fifteen years he served as president of the Butler County Agricultural Board, helping make the Butler County Fair one of the best organizations of the kind in the state.

His remarkable range of business interests and the efficiency with which he administered them made him respected as an authority on agricultural, country life, economic and political problems. He was a contributor to some of the leading newspapers in Southern Ohio. His argumentative articles were characterized by a vigor and conviction that distinguished them from so much of the colorless writings of modern editors and political leaders. He was a stalwart democrat and a keen student of all national and international affairs, and enjoyed intercourse by correspondence and otherwise with many of the notable men of the opposite party, including Presidents McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft. In some in partnership. Mr. Hughes acquired other landed of his political writings he showed himself far ahead of his time. A number of years ago he suggested to Congress a tariff commission, instead of allowing the tariff to be a recurring subject for political debates in the halls of Congress. He made that suggestion years before the modified tariff commission was created. Until the last few days of his life he was interested in politics and listened over the radio to both the sessions of the democratic and republican national conventions of 1924.

Five years before the outbreak of the World war the Lesourdsville sage contributed an article to the Middletown-Signal, in which he described European conditions and foretold the World war and the alignment of the European nations as they were later found on the battle front. In 1909 he urged upon the United States and England a working alliance which would serve to check the hopes and ambitions of German imperialism.

Mr. Hughes was twice married, his wives being sisters, daughters of Joseph and Louisa Boudinet. Their father was a native of France and their mother of Germany, and they were married in Butler County. Mr. Boudinet died in 1901 and his widow on June 17, 1902. The first wife of Mr. Hughes was Hattie Belle Boudinet. She possessed a liberal culture, and was especially interested in painting, an artistic taste which her husband shared. After her death Mr. Hughes married Mary E. Boudinet, who survives him.

Walter Adams Draper, a business man, civic and social worker at Cincinnati, was born at Portsmouth, Ohio, November 20, 1870, son of Francis Asbury and Elizabeth Jane (Adams) Draper. He is a graduate

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of the Ohio Wesleyan University. From 1893 to 1902, Mr. Draper was a reporter with the Cincinnati Enquirer, was associate editor and publisher of The Observer in 1900-01, and from 1902 to 1907, was secretary of the Cincinnati Zoological Company. He was secretary of the Cincinnati Traction Company, Ohio Traction Company and the Cincinnati Car Company from 1907 to 1913, and since 1913 has been vice president of those corporations. He has served as president of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, as director of the Council of Social Agencies, as a trustee of the Zoological Park Association, the University School, the Bethany Home for Boys and is a member of some of the city's most prominent clubs.

Walter L. Collins is the present superintendent of schools of West Alexandria, Preble County, and has given most of his time for the past ten years to educational work.

He was born at New Madison, Ohio, attended public schools there, graduating from high school in 1908, and finished his education in Lebanon University and Wilmington College. Mr. Collins did some of his early work as a teacher at Springboro in Warren County, and for four years was technical director of the Young Men's Christian Association at Columbus.

From there he came to the West Alexandria schools, but subsequently resigned the position to engage in business, and in the meantime was elected and became president of the local Board of Education. In 1924 he again accepted an urgent call to his former vocation, and in the fall of 1924 again became superintendent of schools.

Mr. Collins married, September 5, 1911, Miss Mabel Reynolds, daughter of Del A. and Jessie (Allread) Reynolds. They have three children: Paul, Walter, Jr., and Mary Louise. Mr. Collins is a member of the Methodist Church and a thirty-second degree Mason.

Walter E. Hutton, proprietor of the flour mills at Frankfort in Ross County, has spent his life in that community. He is an honored ex-service man of the World war, giving more than a year and a half to the service, most of the time overseas.

He was born at Frankfort, December 19, 1894, son of Elias and Jennie (Santee) Hutton, and grandson of Clement W. and Nancy M. (Cochran) Hutton, and of George W. and Delia (Briggs) Santee. The Huttons are of old English stock and came to Ohio from Virginia. Clement W. Hutton was a soldier in the Civil war with the Seventy-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was wounded. For many years he was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Santee family is of remote French ancestry. Elias Hutton and wife are residents of Frankfort. He established a milling business there many years ago, and only retired recently when he sold the mills to his son Walter. He is active in the Presbyterian Church and its Sunday School, and is affiliated with the Elks, Knights of Pythias and Redmen. Walter is the oldest of four children. George D. married Katherine Hunter. Joseph M. is unmarried, and the son Franklin, died in 1902.

Walter E. Hutton attended school at Frankfort, graduating from high school in 1913, and spent one year in Ohio University at Athens. As a youth and young man he worked in his father's mills, learning the business from the mechanical as well as the business office standpoint. He had experience in practically every department and kept books for several years.

On October 24, 1917, he enlisted for service in the Engineers' Corps, spending seven days at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, and was at Camp Meade, Maryland, from November 1, 1917, to February, 1918. Leaving for Hoboken and going overseas, his command landed at St. Nazaire, was sent to a training camp, and his first active duty was in road construction work in the St. Mihiel sector, where he remained from April to August, 1918. They then did road construction work at Les Bains for sixty days, and Mr. Hutton was in the Officers' Company Supply Department, S. O. S. He was on road construction work at a small town named Vignory, and then at Joinville, where as a result of special order he left for home, sailing from Marseilles and landing at Hoboken, May 10, 1919. After six days at Camp Mills he received his honorable discharge, and, returning to Frankfort, at once resumed work in his father's mill. On September 10, 1923, he bought out the business, and is now giving it his undivided attention.

Mr. Hutton is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and is a member of Post No. 483 of the American Legion. He married at Washington Court House, Ohio, February 10, 1920, Miss Jane Paul, daughter of John and Alice Paul. Her father, who died in 1918, was a Union soldier in the Civil war, was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, was a farmer by occupation and a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Hutton's brother and sisters were: John Rankin, who married Ada Woodward and had a daughter, Virginia, who died at the age of fourteen months; Grace, who married T. C. McArthur, and of her two children the one living is William; Helen married Jacob Elliott; and Clemmer married Margaret Hunt, and has a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Hutton have one son, James.

Mally Sigel Daugherty, brother of Harry M. Daugherty, attorney general of the United States in the Harding and Coolidge administration, has always kept his home and his principal interests in his native Town of Washington Court House, while his brother many years ago moved to Columbus to engage in law practice and has since become a figure in state and national affairs.

Mally Sigel Daugherty was born at Washington Court House, April 2, 1862, son of John H. and Jane A. (Draper) Daugherty. Her father was born in Pennsylvania, in 1836, and came to Ohio when a boy and followed the business of merchant tailor at Washington Court House until he died in 1864. Of his four sons two died in infancy, leaving Harry M. and Mally S. Harry M. Daugherty is two years older than his brother, the banker.

M. S. Daugherty was educated in the public schools of Washington Court House, and for many years has devoted his time and attention to banking. In 1905 he became cashier of the Midland National Bank of Washington Court House. At that time the resources of the bank were $300,000. This bank was incorporated in 1892. As cashier and president Mr. Daugherty has made this one of the strongest banks in that part of Ohio. It has a capital of $100,000 and resources approximating $1,723,000. He is also president of the Commercial Bank of Morris Sharp & Company, organized as a private bank in 1883, with a capital of $50,000. Its present resources are $1,427,000. The combined resources of these banks are $3,000,000. Mr. Daugherty is the leading influence in the financial life of Fayette County, and he is also interested in many manufacturing and business industries.

Mr. Daugherty is affiliated with the Methodist Church, is a Mason, is trustee and past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, a member of the Board of Governors, of the Wash-

ington Country Club and during the World war was chairman of the Fayette County War Council, Chairman of War Savings Stamp Committee and chairman of the Fayette County War Chest, which raised $200,000 by local subscription.

He married Miss Lizzie Hegler, daughter of a prominent farmer of Fayette County. She was educated in Washington Court House and Miss Armstrong's private school at Cincinnati. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Cecilian Musical Club and the Ladies of the Grand Army. Mr. and Mrs. Daugherty had two children, the daughter, Janet, dying in 1890, in infancy. A son, Harry Ellis, born in 1887, married Lorene Martin, and has a daughter, Janet Francis.

Mr. Daugherty is fond of travel and has spent nearly every winter in Florida for a number of years and has also been in old Mexico. Like many able men, though he has multifarious duties and demands upon his hands, he is never apparently hurried and accomplishes a volume of work that is astounding to his associates. He has made business both a matter of duty and his hobby, and through his business he has rendered his most important service to the public welfare.

The Camden Public Library. A circulating library was established at Camden in Preble County by the Philomathean Club, which was organized in 1895 and federated in 1896. A stock company owned the circulating library, the librarian being a local merchant, Mr. Oliver Brown. Tickets were finally sold at a dollar each to the public spirited citizens, and after the club members put themselves behind the proposition the City Council took it over and eventually a levy was made on the city funds for its support. But for several years past the school board has had the official management of the library, and it is supported by a fund of about $1,500 annually. The present library occupies a large, well lighted room in the Masonic Temple Building. It contains over three thousand volumes and all the current magazines, and has a large patronage and circulation.

The official board of the library at the present writing is Dr. Frank E. Fisher, president; Mrs. S. E. Homsher, vice president; Mrs. Amy Danser, secretary; Miss Laverna Smith, treasurer; Mayor S. L. Yochum and Miss May Robinson, directors, and Mrs. Arthur Gilmore, librarian.

Albert Scholl. A boy printer, a worker in newspaper offices, Albert Scholl, of Chillicothe, started business on his own account with an outfit vastly inferior to his personal skill and taste in typography. Mr. Scholl is a master of his craft, and in the course of years has developed one of the best equipped printing, engraving and book-binding establishments in Ohio.

He was born at Chillicothe, April 14, 1873. His grandfather, Johann Adam Scholl, was born in Baden, Germany, nine miles from the university city of Heidelberg, in 1807. He learned the weaver's trade. In 1846, accompanied by his wife and four children, he came to the United States, and after a year at Columbus located in Chillicothe, where he lived until his death in 1895, at the age of eighty-eight. He married Magdaline Pommert, who was born in Baumenthal, Germany, in 1807, and died in Chillicothe in 1899. One of the brothers of Adam Scholl came to America and lived in Buffalo, New York, and later in Iowa, where he died, the father of three sons. The sister of Adam Scholl married a Mr. Scholl, not related, and they settled in Algiers, Africa, taking up land there under the French government. Another sister went to London, England. The eldest son of Adam Scholl, George Frederick, moved to Livermore, Kentucky, and his son went to St. Louis, Missouri. George Frederick served as a soldier in the Mexican war and was a Union soldier in the Civil war, being in an Indiana regiment under Gen. Phil Sheridan. He died in 1924, at the age of ninety-seven years.

Nicholas Scholl, father of the Chillicothe printer, was born in Mannheim, Germany, in November, 1843, and is now eighty years of age. He attended school in Chillicothe three years, and learned the cooper's trade, and throughout his life has been distinguished by an inventive genius. He invented and took out a patent on an ironing board, and subsequently invented an ironing stand, founding the Eclipse Manufacturing Company for the manufacture and sale of this device. Nicholas Scholl was a Union soldier in Company F of the One Hundred Forty-ninth Ohio Infantry. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He married Frederika Gunther, who was born at Chillicothe, a daughter of Abraham and Sarah (Stroacker) Gunther, natives of Germany. The children of Nicholas Scholl and wife were: Walter, who died when four years old; George F., who married Katherine Long, of Chillicothe, and is now a traveling salesman, living at Columbus; William G., chief rate clerk of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad at Madisonville, Ohio, who married Mary E. Beymer; Albert, the subject of this sketch; Lloyd R., who is superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Cincinnati, and married Minnie Shelden; Sarah Elizabeth, and Mary M. and Nellie, twins. These three daughters live in Chillicothe, and Sarah Elizabeth and Mary are actively associated with their brother Albert in the printing business and have charge of the office and books of the concern.

Mr. Albert Scholl, the subject of this sketch, attended the Chillicothe grammar school, and when thirteen years of age left school to begin an apprenticeship in the job printing office of George B. Moore, of Chillicothe. After two years he joined the job department of the Scioto Gazette, and for nine years was foreman of the Daily News office, then owned by Rufus Putnam. This is now the News Advertiser. For an interval of two years Mr. Scholl was out of the printing business, conducting a dairy farm, and in 1894 was appointed truant officer and assistant librarian, positions he held two years.

On August 15, 1898, he started his job printing business with a capital of $26 and an old Gordon foot press made in 1850. For a time he did practically all the work in the office, and has always given a close supervision to the technical and artistic details of the business, a fact that has no doubt been responsible for its rapid growth and development. The Scholl Printing Company does business all over Ohio and in adjoining states. Mr. Scholl has served as vice president of the Ohio Printers' Federation.

While building up an important business he has interested himself in the civic life of his home community. For fifteen years he was a director of the Chamber of Commerce, was a director of the old Scioto Valley Fair Association, and since 1918 has been president of the city council, a position that makes heavy demands upon his time. He has taken particular interest in all street and municipal improvements. As a direct result of his personal supervision the city closed its books in 1922 with cash on hand of over $15,000, and all bills paid in every department. This contrasts with previous records of deficits ranging from thirty to seventy-five per cent. During the World war Mr. Scholl had many extraordinary duties, both as a leader of the community and in handling the unusual problems caused by the presence of 65,000 or more soldiers at Camp

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Sherman. He was chairman of the entertainment committee of the camp, and was one of the committeemen of the Community Chest and the Red Cross drives. In January, 1924, he was appointed president of the Chillicothe Park Commission by Mayor Minshall.

Mr. Scholl is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Eastern Star, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Eagles, the Modern Woodmen of America, the Sons of Veterans, the Protective Home Circle, the Rotary Club, the Country Club and United Commercial Travelers. He is one of the prominent Masons of the state, and has taken all the degrees and orders in the York and Scottish rites. He was made a Master Mason in October, 1894. He served as high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter in 1908, and was given the order of high priesthood at Toledo, September 24, 1919. He has filled all the offices in the Council of Royal and Select Masters, and has held chairs in the Chillicothe Commandery of the Knights Templar, and in 1919 he completed the Scottish Rite degrees, including the thirty-second, in the Consistory at Columbus. In May, 1919, he became a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. His service has been conspicuous in the Grand Council. For seven years he was assistant to the right illustrious grand recorder, and for a year assisted in the details of the office during the final illness of the grand recorder, Wm. E. Evans. He was appointed grand representative of the Grand Council of Florida in 1921, and his present office, to which he was elected in 1924, is right illustrious deputy grand master of Ohio.

On November 15, 1894, at Chillicothe, Mr. Scholl married Miss Rosa Myrtle Burgoon, who was born at Chillicothe, May 8, 1873, daughter of William and Ellen (Thatcher) Burgoon. Mrs. Scholl's brothers and sisters were: Lucius, a bookkeeper for the Hertenstein Lumber Company of Chillicothe, who married Elizabeth Trego and has a son, Willard, now chief chemist for the Goodyear Rubber Company at Akron; Albert, who now lives at Springfield, Missouri, and who married Anna Offenhouser, of Chillicothe, and their four children are Edna, Katherine, Marjorie and Helen Laura; George, who lives at Chillicothe, Ohio, and by his marriage to Della Motes, of Vigo, Ohio, has five children, Mildred, Bernice, Donald, Raymond and Helen (who married Russell Von Clausburg, of Chillicothe); Clara, wife of Lloyd Dunn, of Columbus, and the mother of a daughter, Beatrice; Mattie, wife of Marion Mackey, of Columbus; and Annie, wife of Otis Delong, of Chillicothe, and the mother of a daughter, Ruth Margaret.

Mr. and Mrs. Scholl have one daughter, Diathea Centura, who was born January 1, 1901, and was the twentieth century child of the state. She has made a brilliant record in scholarship. After graduating from the Chillicothe High School in 1917, she entered the Ohio State University, graduating in arts and education in 1922, winning the Ohio scholarship in Ohio State and many other honors. Her scholarship honors gave her membership in the fraternity Phi Beta Kappa. She is a teacher in the Chillicothe High School at the head of the history department, and in June, 1923, she was awarded the Master's degree by Ohio State University. She also won memberships in the National Educational Association for Women and in the National Historical Association.

Raymond Minshall Cheseldine, former newspaper publisher, now engaged in publicity and advertising work with headquarters at Columbus, is a resident of London, Ohio. He had an interesting service in the World war, being captain in the old Fourth Ohio Infantry, which in the National Army was the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry, in service with the Rainbow Division.

Captain Cheseldine was born at London, April 4, 1892, son of Charles and Minnie (Minshall) Cheseldine. Hhis mother was born at London. His father was born at Williamsburg, Ohio, April 10, 1863, and died at London in February, 1908.

Raymond Minshall Cheseldine graduated from the London High School in 1910, and then entered Ohio Wesleyan University, where he finished the course with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1914. In the university he specialized in science and English literature, with special work in newspaper and short story writing. He was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

Immediately after graduating Mr. Cheseldine started on a one year trip around the world with his brother, K. G. Cheseldine. They were in Italy on July 29, 1914, when the first events of the great war started in Servia. He remained in Italy during the early phases of the gathering storm, acting with the American Relief Committee at Rome and Naples, assisting Americans to get passage home. In September, 1914, he returned to the United States. During the winter of 1914 and the spring of 1915 he was employed as a reporter on the London (Ohio) Times. On June 30, 1915, he married, at Los Angeles, California, Miss Dorothy Canfield, adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Canfield, of Los Angeles. Their children are Dorothy, Elizabeth, Sue and Charles Canfield. Returning to London, he was connected with the Madison National Bank during the winter of 1915, as assistant cashier and director until July, 1916.

As a member of the Ohio National Guard, with the rank of first lieutenant in Company C of the Fourth Ohio Infantry, he was called to service for Mexican border duty in July, 1916. At that time he also purchased the London Times, a weekly, and with Ed. S. Neese and L. C. Peyton, organized and started a semi-weekly newspaper, called the Madison Press. Captain Cheseldine was on the Mexican border until March 4, 1917, when he resumed his newspaper work at London as editor and manager of the Madison Press.

In July, 1917, he was again called to the colors, for the World war, resuming his old post as first lieutenant of Company C in the Fourth Ohio Infantry. When this National Guard Regiment was mustered into the National Army, becoming the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry in the Forty-second or Rainbow Division, Captain Cheseldine went overseas with that unit, and in November, 1917, was assigned to Supply Company of the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry in France. He was second in command of the supply company until July, 1918, and then took command, being promoted to captain and regimental supply officer. He served in that capactiy until mustered out on May 20, 1919. His duties in France included 120 days in the trenches in the Luneville and Baccarat sectors. He was in the Champagne defensive from July 14 to 20, 1918; in the Aisne-Marne offensive, including the second battle of the Marne, from July 25 to August 4, 1918; in the St. Mihiel offensive. September 12 to 29, 1918; the Meuse-Argonne offensive, from October 14 to November 7, 1918. From November 11, 1918, the date of the signing of the armistice, until April 6, 1919, he was assigned duty with the Army of Occupation in Germany. On April 18, 1919, he sailed for the United States, and was mustered out at Camp Sherman on May 20.

In July, 1919, Captain Cheseldine again became editor and manager of the Madison Press. He held that post of duty until November 25, 1921. In the meantime he had been elected a member of the

Republican State Central Committee from the Seventh Congressional District, serving two years. In December, 1921, he formed a partnership with Robert Read, of Columbus, making the firm of Cheseldine & Read, publicity and advertising. He was appointed on the staff of Governor Davis in 1921, with the rank of major.

Major Cheseldine was appointed superintendent of budget and assistant finance director of the State of Ohio by Gov. Harry L. Davis, May, 1922, serving until February 8, 1923, having resigned with the change of administration. The adjutant general of Ohio appointed him historian of the One Hundred Sixty-sixth Infantry to write the official war record of the old Fourth Ohio Infantry, which in the World war was the One Hundred Sixteenth United States Infantry. Major Cheseldine has served as a member of the Village Council of London. He is commander of Madison Post No. 105, American Legion, is state president of the Ohio Rainbow Division Veterans, president of the London Chamber of Commerce, and has fraternal affiliations with the Masonic Order, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

Edwin C. Gibbs. A Cincinnati citizen to whom that community is under obligation for many services, Edwin C. Gibbs, was born there May 7, 1859, son of Ira B. and Margaret (Clark) Gibbs. In 1884 he engaged in the marine insurance business, and was active in that line until he retired in 1915.

A special object of his public work has been the improvement of waterways. He served several terms as president of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, as chairman of the executive committee of the Ohio Valley Improvement Association, is a member and director of the United States Chamber of Commerce, vice president of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, and during the World war was regional advisor of the War Industry Board. He is former president of the Business Men's Club, the Cincinnati Commercial Club and the Optimist Club, and is a member of the national Institute of Social Sciences.

George W. Rittenour, lawyer and coal mine operator at Piketon in Pike County, represents one of the very oldest families of the State of Ohio. The Rittenours came here when it was a part of the Northwest Territory, and were identified with some of the early settlements in Ross County, where members of the family are still prominent.

The pioneer of the family in the West was Anthony Rittenour, who was born and reared in Rockingham County, Virginia. In 1798, accompanied by his wife and children, he came to the Northwest Territory and settled on Government land in Jefferson Township of Ross County. With the assistance of his sons he made a home, and farmed, and lived there until his death in 1835. His wife, Elizabeth Fletcher, was, like him, of German ancestry. They were liberal contributors toward the building of the old stone church of the Methodist denomination in their community of Ross County.

Jacob Rittenour, a son of Anthony, was born in Virginia, February 15, 1787, and he grew up on the frontier in Ohio. He was a farmer in Ross County, and died October 15, 1882. His life's span was almost a century, beginning the year the Federal Constitution was made, and he was a witness of the successive periods in the development of the West from the War of 1812 to the Civil war, and the introduction of all the mechanical inventions that produced the mechanical revolution of the nineteenth century. His wife, Anna Claypool, was also a native of Virginia, and of English ancestry, being a descendent of a daughter of Oliver Cromwell. Her father, Abraham Claypool, came to Ohio in 1799, and was a member of the first State Constitutional Convention and the first State Senate, both of which convened at Chillicothe.

George C. Rittenour, son of Jacob and Anna (Claypool) Rittenour, was born in Jefferson Township, Ross County, March 11, 1825, and spent all his life in that community, where he died December 30, 1915, when nearly ninety-one years of age. He was actively interested in the hardware and farm implement business at Chillicothe, but for the most part devoted his business energy to the management of the large accumulation of farm lands and other invested interests. On September 1, 1857, he married Elizabeth Sargent, who was born in Pike County, Ohio, daughter of Thornton Williams and Elizabeth (Mustard) Sargent. She died July 29, 1911, aged seventy-eight.

Thornton Sargent Rittenour, oldest son of George C. Rittenour and wife, was born and reared in Ross County, but for many years has been a successful farmer in Pike County. He has a large group of business interests, and is president of the Piketon National Bank. Thornton S. Rittenour married Jennie Higby, and they occupy a fine home at Piketon, in keeping with the place of leadership Thornton S. Rittenour had so long enjoyed there.

George W. Rittenour, only son of Thornton S. Rittenour, and representing the fifth generation of the Rittenour family in Ohio, was born at Piketon, February 6, 1886. After his graduation from the Piketon High School in 1904, George W. Rittenour passed two years as a student in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and he then entered the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1909 and with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. In prepartion for his chosen profession he had the distinction of attending the law schools of both Yale and Harvard universities, and it was from the former that he received his degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1912. He was a popular member of the fraternal and social organizations, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Phi, and Corby Court.

The year in which Mr. Rittenour received his degree of Bachelor of Laws was marked also by his admission to the Ohio bar and by his initiating the practice of law in his native town of Piketon, where he has continued to find ample scope for successful work in his profession, though his varied capitalistic and industrial interests demand no small measure of his time and attention. He is president of the corporation owning and operating the Mohawk coal mine near Wellston, Jackson County, Ohio, and is vice president of the company controlling and operating the Freer coal mine at Birch Run, West Virginia. During the period of the nation's participation in the World war Mr. Rittenour gave the greater part of his time to the speeding up of production in the coal mines in which he is interested, and thus was able to make a valued contribution of patriotic order, fuel supplies being a matter of great moment to the Government in connection with war activities. In the war period Mr. Rittenour also served as a member of the legal advisory board of Pike County. He has retained a lively interest in athletic sports, and while a student at Yale University he was a member of the boat crew and otherwise active in student athletic affairs.

In the City of Chicago, on the 16th of September, 1916, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Rittenour and Miss Lillian Marple, daughter of William W. and Addie (Cave) Marple, of that city. Her father was one of the organizers of the Beatrice Creamery.

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Mrs. Rittenour is the younger of two children. Her brother, Edward A., is manager of the Tip Top Creamery at Vincennes, Indiana, and has one child, William W., II, named in honor of his paternal grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. Rittenour have one child, John Thornton.

Benjamin B. Putnam, of Marietta, for many years connected with banking, contracting and other lines of business and industry, is a direct descendent of Israel Putnam of the War of the Revolution and of the Putnam family so conspicuous in the first permanent settlement in Ohio. His great-grandfather was Samuel P. Hildreth, also a pioneer and one of the early Ohio historians.

Benjamin B. Putnam was born November 5, 1871, at Hope, Vinton County, where the family lived temporarily while his father had charge of a charcoal iron furnace that had been built by Douglas Putnam. Soon after his birth his parents returned to Marietta to live in a house built by B. B. Putnam's great-grandfather, David Putnam. His mother and his sister continue to live in this old home, which has the distinction of having also been the home of the first bank established in the Northwest Territory.

The father of B. B. Putnam was Samuel H. Putnam, who was born at Marietta in 1835, and died in 1912. Benjamin B. Putnam acquired his early education in the public schools of Marietta, the Marietta Academy, and owing to poor health sought outdoor employment, for nearly two years working as a brakeman on the Baltimore & Ohio Railway. This occupation brought about a complete change in his health. Soon afterward he was sent by the family to Illinois to take charge of a large estate owned by the Putnams, comprising 6,000 acres of rich Wabash River land. He remained there five years, clearing up 500 acres, and doing much to improve and put in cultivation the property.

From 1895 to 1897 Mr. Putnam was an assistant bookkeeper in Chicago and then returned to Marietta, and engaged in the real estate, loan and insurance business. He has organized a number of companies, and as member of the firm Foreman & Putnam handled many important contracts involving building construction. The last work handled by the firm was the Cabin Creek Refining Plant of the Pure Oil Company. Mr. Putnam's son and a brother of Mr. Putnam's former partner, E. M. Foreman, continued this contracting firm, and recently had the contract for extensive building additions to the West Virginia University.

Mr. B. B. Putnam and his brother, S. H. Putnam, formed a partnership for purchasing assets of institutes in liquidation, maintaining offices in Marietta, Pittsburgh and Seattle, Washington. They have specialized in taking over banks, industrial plants and business institutions bankrupt or nearly so. Mr. Putnam was one of the large owners of the Marietta Sand Company, which owned a fleet of boats. He sold most of his business interests in 1919, and has since devoted most of his time to his duties as trust officer of the First National Bank of Marietta, of which he is a director.

While living in Illinois Mr. Putnam married Miss Lucy Hay, who was born at Fairfield, Illinois, daughter of Col. Lawrence P. Hay and a cousin of the late distinguished American statesman, John Hay. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Putnam are Ben H., George Hildreth and Pauline Webster. The son, Ben, six months before America entered the World war, joined the Marietta College contingent for ambulance service in France, and subsequently he went into training and was assigned to duty in the Aviation Corps, with the rank of first lieutenant. Getting a fluent command of the French language, he did much work as interpreter. He is the only one of his Marietta friends who escaped death during the war. He is now associated with E. M. Foreman in the contracting firm above noted.

George Putnam is also a veteran of the World war, having been trained at Rockford, Illinois, and subsequently was assigned to duty with the mechanical department of the Royal English Flying Corps. He now has charge of the Seattle, Washington, business of Putnam Brothers.

Mr. B. B. Putnam is affiliated with the Scottish Rite Consistory of Masons at Cincinnati, Syrian Temple of the Mystic Shrine, the Kiwanis Club, the Elks, and is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association.

John H. Miller. In the thriving little City of Dresden is established one of the important industrial concerns of Muskingum County, and this enterprise is that of the John Herman Miller Company, manufacturers of the celebrated "Footwarmer" brand of high-grade woolen hosiery. Of this company, which bears his name, John H. Miller is the treasurer, besides being treasurer and general manager of the allied corporation the J. H. Miller Sons Company, manufacturers of blankets and flannels.

John Herman Miller was born at Freedom, Pennsylvania, December 4, 1876, and is a son of George William and Kathryn (Sanderbeck) Miller, the former of whom was born in Oldenburg, Germany, and the latter at Freedom, Pennsylvania, where she still maintains her home. George W. Miller, who was born in 1844 and died in 1895, was reared and educated in his native land and there learned the trade of stone cutter. In 1869 he came to the United States, after having served as a soldier in the war between Germany and Austria, and at Freedom, Pennsylvania, he engaged in the work of his trade. He became one of the substantial citizens and business men of that place, and there he continued to reside until his death, he having been a communicant of the Catholic Church, as is also his widow. Of their five children, John H., of this sketch, was the third in order of birth.

After carrying forward his course of study in the public schools of his native place, John H. Miller took a course in the Duff Business College in the City of Pittsburgh. At the age of sixteen years he there assumed a clerical and bookkeeping position in the establishment of Kapner Brothers & Duga, woolen merchants. He remained in Pittsburgh seven years, and then, in 1900, came from that Pennsylvania city to Dresden, Ohio, and allied himself with the woolen manufactory whose plant is now utilized by the John Herman Miller Company. He was soon advanced to the position of superintendent of this woolen hosiery plant. In 1907 the original company was succeeded by the Forest City Woolen Mills Company, which ampilfied the scope of the enterprise by here establishing a second plant, to be devoted to the manufacturing of bed and automobile blankets and high-grade woolen flannels. In 1912 Mr. Miller became treasurer and general manager of the two allied companies, and eventually the virtual control of the two important idustries became vested in him. His vigorous and progressive policies have been potent in the substantial development of the business of the two corporations, the output of the factories being handled exclusively by the jobbing trade.

Mr. Miller has proved a most liberal and loyal citizen during his residence in Muskingum County, and gave eight years of splendid administration as mayor of Dresden. He has shown lively interest in

all things touching the welfare and advancement of his home city, and has been specially zealous in improving conditions for the benefit of the young people of the community and the employes of the two manufacturing concerns with which he is identified and to which he himself first came in the capacity of employe. He is a republican in political allegiance, and he and his family are communicants of the Catholic Church.

On the 7th of August, 1901, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Miller and Miss Minnie Roney, daughter of David and Kate (Comer) Roney, the former of whom was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, and the latter in Muskingum County, where she still resides, Mr. Roney having died in this county, and having been a blacksmith by trade and vocation. To Mr. and Mrs. Miller have been born ten children, namely: John W., Frank H., Herman C. (deceased), Kathryn Grace, James DeWitt, David Lawrence, John Paul, Arthur Edwin, Donald Timothy and Mary Rose. John W. and Frank H. are now actively associated with the business interests of their father, and into the immediate family circle death has entered only once.

Eaton Public Library. Of those agencies which mould the thought and direct the activities of the people, one of the most important is the public library. Under ordinary conditions there are many who, through lack of opportunity, means or interest, would fail to come into contact with the literature of the present and the past, thereby denying themselves, or being denied the priceless boon of association with books. "Good books, like good friends, are the ones that last through the lengthened years," and a "lie cannot live either in literature or life." Thus it is that the public library, when properly conducted, is one of the greatest needs of any live and growing community, and the people of the locality in which such an institution exists will be found to be far more advanced in intellect, general education and broad-mindedness than those who have been given no such opportunity for improvement.

One of the well-ordered and popularly patronized libraries of Ohio is the public library at Eaton, which has shown marked growth and development since its inception. The Eaton Public Library was started with only a handful of books, secured through the kind offices of friends, in the year 1899, in a back room of the St. Clair Building, at the corner of Main and Barron streets. On July 28, 1900, with Mayor A. M. Crisler at the head of the movement, and with funds received through public donations, it was incorporated with the following board of directors: A. M. Crisler, Mrs. Elizabeth Reynolds, Reverend Prentiss, Mrs. Frank Homan, Mrs. Ada Spacht, Mrs. L. Stubbs, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. B. Moses and Mrs. Sarah Ortt. With this board it steadily grew and prospered and, having outgrown its original quarters, was installed at the corner of Main and Maple streets, in the room of William A. Smith and E. A. Deem. Mrs. Lida Gilmore Griswold became librarian, and under her capable and courteous management the institution again found itself too large for its rooms. Accordingly after careful consideration the Town of Eaton purchased the home of G. H. Eidson, at the corner of Barron and Decatur streets, its present location, rather than accept a Carnegie library with its strict stipulations.

At the present time the Eaton Public Library is enjoying wide popularity and the most prosperous era of its history. Maj. William H. Ortt has been its greatest friend and benefactor, and the present officials include: president, Mrs. Mary G. Brooke; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Minnie Sylvester; directors, Mrs. Jennie Deem King, Hugh Gilmore, Albert Harris and Grant Hoover. The present librarian, Miss Josephine Hunt, who is most efficient in the discharge of her duties, is a member of a family noted for its fondness for good literature of all kinds, and inherits the family's predilection in this direction. She has a most capable and faithful assistant, Mrs. William Marsh.

A BOOK—

"Now let us stop and think.
Here is a link that binds;
Here is a friend indeed
For friendly hearts and minds."

At present there are 8,199 volumes on the shelves, including history, the classics, poetry, fiction, etc.; tables of the best magazines, periodicals and newspapers direct from the press. The largest circulation for one day, up to the present writing, has been 302 books.

"There are sermons in stones, books in running brooks and good in everything" to those who read and live.

Milton M. Smith. As in some localities family names have long been identified with the professions or certain industries, so in Darke County, Ohio, for almost three quarters of a century the family name of Smith has been closely connected with merchandising. The oldest and the largest mercantile establishment at Arcanum, Ohio, was founded by John Smith, grandfather of Milton M. Smith, a prominent retired citizen of this place, who until recently was at the head of this prosperous enterprise.

The Smiths of this section of Ohio came originally from Pennsylvania, and so numerous were they in early days that the present little City of Arcanum was at first called Smithtown. The grandfather, John Smith, had thirteen children. After coming to Ohio settlement was first made in Preble County, near Lewisburg. Later removal was made to Darke County, and in partnership with his brother, Samuel Smith, he engaged in the mercantile business in a village of 150 population that bore the name of Sampson and was situated two and one-half miles northwest of Arcanum. All trace of this little pioneer settlement has long since passed away.

The history of Arcanum may be said to have begun with the coming of the railroad. The Smith brothers continued in partnership for four years. In the meanwhile, John Smith, father of Milton M. Smith, had grown up in the mercantile business, and when the Smith interests were transferred to Arcanum theirs was the first business house open to trade, and it has continued the largest and best managed mercantile establishment to the present day, by three generations of Smiths.

Milton M. Smith was born at Arcanum, Ohio, one of a family of nine children. His father, John Smith, was born in Pennsylvania, and was ten years old when his parents moved to Ohio. He was a fine business man and an upright, honorable citizen.

Milton M. Smith obtained his education in the Arcanum schools, and when eighteen years old, went into his father's store, and helped by thrift, industry and good judgment to build up the business, of which he later became active head. For many years he was prominent in business circles, was a director in the First National Bank, and had other live interests. Mr. Smith was married at Dawn, Ohio, September 13, 1877, to Miss Sarah J. Shelly, of Knox County, Illinois, and they have had the following children: Carl, who is in the milling and elevator business at Arcanum, married Grace Dingledine, and they have two children, Harold and Dorothy; Grace,

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who is the wife of Charles F. Unger, of Chicago; Howard, who married Ada Morrow, of Eaton, Ohio; Mildred, who is Mrs. Willis Pleasant, of Pleasant Hill, Ohio; and Joseph Shelly, who resides at Chicago. Mr. Smith is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has been a member of the Masonic fraternity since 1875.

Burley Henry Slagle. Recognized as one of the most alert and progressive young business men of Xenia, Burley Henry Slagle has built up so extensive a business in poster advertising that his concern is fast assuming national importance, and he is handling some of the most successful advertising campaigns now being waged. In addition to his work in behalf of his personal business he is very active in public affairs, and is a valued addition to Xenia and Greene County.

Burley Henry Slagle was born in Hardin County, Ohio, February 25, 1880, a son of Isaac and Maria (Charlton) Slagle, and grandson of Francis Burley Slagle, a native of North Carolina. By occupation he was a farmer, and for many years he was a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Nancy Comer, a native of Virginia. They came to Ross County, Ohio, after their marriage, and in 1853, located permanently in Hardin County, Ohio. The maternal grandfather of the Mr. Slagle of this review was Henry Charlton, a native of Maryland, and his wife was born at Old Town, Greene County, Ohio. Another old and honored family to which Mr. Slagle also belongs is that bearing the name of Monette. Isaac Slagle was a farmer of Hardin County, and specialized in breeding sheep and hogs. He was a member of the official board of the local Methodist Episcopal Church, and taught in its Sunday School. A staunch republican, he cast his first presidential vote for General Grant.

After attending the local schools Burley Henry Slagle took a course at Ada, Ohio, College. In 1904 he went to Cucamonga, California, and was there associated with the Lucas Ranching Company from that year until 1907. In the meanwhile he bought a ranch and an interest in a newspaper that by 1907 demanded all of his time, so he resigned his position and was engaged in conducting it until 1911, in which year he exchanged it for eighty acres of fruit land in the San Quinn Valley. This he continued to conduct until he located at Xenia, in 1921.

Upon coming to Ohio he closed a contract with the Poster Association of Chicago for the territory of Greene County, sold his fruit ranch and embarked in the poster business. Although from the start he has carried on a very satisfactory business, within the past few months his operations have undergone a most remarkable expansion, and he is branching out into the surrounding counties and filling all the available space taken by large organizations from New York to California. Among the publicity and advertising contracts closed by him to date are those with the California Raisin Growers' Association, the Ford Company, Paige & Jewett, the Firestone Tire Company and the Quaker Oats Company. His talents are of a nature to particularly fit him for his present work, and through it he is stimulating business in a legitimate and healthy manner, and arousing the interest of the territory he covers in the goods produced by concerns of world-wide fame.

On October 12, 1904, Mr. Slagle married at Delaware, Ohio, Miss Edith Stella Muncie, and they have one daughter, Idris Helen, who was born at Cucamonga, California. She attended school in California, and is now a student of the Xenia High School, where she is specializing in secretarial work. A fine spirit of mutual devotion is maintained between father and daughter. She made the trip from California to Ohio alone, as she is very self-reliant. Very fond of pets and horses, she is an expert horsewoman, and when only seven years old received a prize for riding a Shetland pony and carrying a flag in a procession at Kenton, Ohio. Her love for Shetland ponies was awakened and stimulated by her father's breeding of them for several years. She is one of the fortunate persons who can tame and attach any pet, and what she can accomplish in this direction is most remarkable. Not only is she a great lover of animals, but she possesses executive ability as well, and when only eleven years old organized a baseball team, of which she was a member, and she is interested in other forms of athletics. Since coming to Xenia she has joined the Garden Club, and Poster Art Auxiliary, of which she is an active member, and she belongs to the Reformed Church. Needless to say, she is the very apple of her father's eye, and in her his deepest interests are centered, and no wonder, for she is worthy of the highest praise in her beauty and accomplishments. On August 11, 1924, Miss Idris Helen Slagle married Ola R. Woolary, who is a promising young business man of Xenia, engaged in the grocery business.

Mr. Slagle is especially valuable to his community in the publicity he donates to the Garden Club, the Rotary Club, the Tuberculosis Drives, the Social Service League, American Legion, Greene County Chapter, American Red Cross, and other civic organization work, he never being too busy to give to such enterprise his best efforts.

B. H. Slagle is a strong republican in politics, and was a worker in the Senator Marcus A. Hanna organization before he was of voting age and has always been on the firing line, always serving as a committeeman, but has never been willing to accept public office. He was offered the position of deputy sheriff of San Bernardino County, California, and superintendent of the year book department under the Harding administration, but refused both. He was a life political friend of the late President Harding, also of Senator Frank B. Willis, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this work.

C. Homer Durand, engaged in the practice of law at Coshocton during the past five years, is a native of Ohio and has had an unusual legal and administrative experience in the twenty years since he graduated from law school.

He was born at Toledo, Ohio, January 7, 1882. His great-grandfather came to Ohio from New York State, representing an old Essex County family of French Huguenot descent. The Durands became a prominent family in Lorain County, Ohio, where some of them still reside. One of the pioneers did much of the early surveying in that county. The grandfather of the Coshocton lawyer was born there, as was his father, Homer Durand. Homer Durand became a sailor very early in life. He acted as captain of some of the old sailing vessels on the Great Lakes, sailing out of the Port of Toledo, where he lived for many years, and died in 1908, at the age of seventy-two. C. Homer Durand was reared at Toledo, attended the public schools there, and in 1900 entered Ohio State University, taking both the academic and law courses. He was graduated in law in 1904, and in the same year was admitted to the bar on examination at Columbus. After three years in practice at Toledo he spent a short time in New York City and then at Cincinnati became managing secretary of the Personal Liberty League of Ohio. He had this administrative position for five years and at the same time practiced law. The work he did at

Cincinnati caused him to be called to Toronto, Canada, where for two years he was managing secretary of the Provincial Liberty League. He then went back to Cincinnati, and when America entered the World war he enlisted in the aircraft service at Akron, Ohio. He was an inspector in the non-combatant service when the armistice was signed.

Mr. Durand first located at Coshocton in 1910, but remained only a brief time. He established his home and law practice there in 1919. In politics he has always been a republican, and in 1922-24 was a candidate in the primary for the republican nomination for governor, having been the only liberal candidate in the field. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, the Knights of Malta, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a communicant of the Episcopal Church. Mr. Durand married in 1908 Miss Florence R. Peck, daughter of the late Alfred and Catherine (Laughead) Peck, of Coshocton. They have one son, Homer Alfred Durand.

Rev. J. Knox Montgomery, D. D., LL. D., president of Muskingum College at New Concord, Muskingum County, has been the academic and executive head of this Ohio institution since September, 1904, and his resourceful and vigorous administration has infused vitality and effected great advancement in the affairs of the college and the attractive community which is its seat. Doctor Montgomery is a clergyman of the United Presbyterian Church, under the auspices of which Muskingum College is maintained, and he has won distinction in connection with the work of his church, in educational service, and in the general sphere of humanitarian helpfulness.

Dr. John Knox Montgomery was born at Belfast, Tennessee, August 4, 1861, and is a son of Rev. Andrew Spence Montgomery and Lavinia Grace (Tate) Montgomery, both of whom passed the closing years of their lives at Brownsville, Illinois, where the mother died in 1874, at the age of fifty-three years, and where the father died in 1900, at the age of seventy-eight years. Rev. Andrew S. Montgomery was born at Newberry, South Carolina, a scion of a family that was founded in America in the Colonial period of our national history. He received from Erskine College the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and, after due preparatory work, was ordained a clergyman of the United Presbyterian Church. He held a pastoral charge at Belfast, Tennessee, at the time the Civil war began, and in this connection he gained great prominence and influence as an advocate and supporter of the cause of the Union, unreserved and fearless in expressing his opinions, even though popular sentiment in Tennessee was largely in favor of the Confederacy. Later he held pastorates at Clarksburg, Indiana, and Brownsville and Sparta, Illinois. After his retirement from the active work of the ministry he continued to maintain his home at Brownsville, Illinois, until his death. A man of fine intellectual ken and of utmost consecration to his service in the vineyard of the Divine Master, he wielded benignant influence throughout the course of his long and useful life. Of the five children Dr. J. Knox Montgomery, of this review, is the youngest.

The youthful ambition of Dr. J. Knox Montgomery was to enter the ministry and to serve as a foreign missionary, and while he eventually realized a part of this ambition, in becoming a clergyman, impaired health made it impossible for him to enter the field of foreign missionary service. That he has found a sphere of equally important service and usefulness, the briefest record of his career clearly shows. After attending the public schools, mainly in Illinois, Doctor Montgomery pursued a higher course of study in Enfield College, that state. From 1879 to 1884 he was a student in the University of Indiana. Poor health twice compelled him to temporarily abandon his college studies, but he has found of enduring value the experience which he gained in these intervals by his association with mercantile enterprise at Brownsville and Carmi, Illinois. In 1887 the Doctor completed a course in the United Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Xenia, Ohio, and the same year marked his ordination to the ministry. In 1904 he received from Sterling College the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and in 1922 from West Virginia Wesleyan the degree of Doctor of Laws.

From 1887 to 1890 Doctor Montgomery was pastor of the United Presbyterian Church at Harshasville, Adams County, Ohio; his next pastoral charge was at Sparta, Illinois, where he remained until 1895. His next pastorate was in the City of Cincinnati, 1895-99, and in 1900-1901 he was pastor of a church in the city of Chicago. From the latter year until 1904 he maintained his home at Charlotte, North Carolina, in which state he accomplished a large service aside from his immediate pastoral charge.

From 1894 until 1902 Doctor Montgomery was editor of The Evangel, a monthly magazine published in the interests of the United Presbyterian Church. He was from 1898 for fifteen years a department editor of the Christian Union Herald, published at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was department editor of The Reformed Presbyterian, published at Due West, South Carolina, in 1903-04, and from 1900 to 1905 he was a department editor of the periodical known as Christian Instructor of Philadelphia. He was general secretary of the young people's work of his church in the South in 1903-04. In the period of 1903-05 the Doctor was president of the All-Healing Bible Conference in North Carolina. He has been for fully a quarter of a century a popular lecturer in connection with the Chautauqua Bureau; he was chairman of evangelistic work in the South in 1903-04, and prior to this, in 1896, he was elected synodical evangelist for Ohio. In 1900 he was candidate for the office of secretary of state in Ohio, on the prohibition ticket, and by the same party he has received nomination for representative in the United States Congress.

In the World war period Doctor Montgomery rendered earnest and effective service as special preacher at army camps, his work in this line having been principally at Camp Sherman, Ohio; Camp Sheridan and Camp Anniston, Alabama. In connection with war work he served also as Young Men's Christian Association secretary. He is director of the Muskingum Bible Conference and Training School, is an advisory member of the Ohio Civil Service Commission, has been president of the Ohio Anti-Saloon League since 1914, and since 1921 he has been president of both the Ohio No Tobacco League and the National No Tobacco League. He was in 1919-20 secretary of the spiritual-life department of the New World Movement of the United Presbyterian Church. The Doctor is an honorary member of the Kiwanis Club at Cambridge, Ohio, and the City Club of New York City. He is affiliated with the Phi Gamma Delta College fraternity.

Doctor Montgomery has been unsparing of himself in his indefatigable labors in the upbuilding of Muskingum College, which has made marvelous advancement under his able and progressive administration. Brief statistical statement in this connection is significant: In 1904, when he assumed the

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presidency, the college had assets of $70,000; in 1923 its assets were $1,350,000. In 1904 the total enrollment of students was 145; in 1914 the enrollment was 240, and in 1924 the total enrollment is 2,075 with 797 in the four college classes, the remainder being in the preparatory academic department, the summer school and the conservatory of music. In 1904 the college campus had an area of four acres; in 1924 its area is 100 acres. The building improvements have been of most munificent and important order, including the erection of Brown Chapel, 1913; Montgomery Hall, 1921, at a cost of $200,000; and the Woman's Dormitory, 1922, at a cost of $200,000. In progress at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1924, is a new stadium and a vigorous campaign to increase the endowment fund of the college to $1,000,000 and to erect three more buildings, thus carrying forward the building plans that shall make the physical equipment of this college one of the best in Ohio. In his admirable work in building up the college Doctor Montgomery has incidentally done much also for the advancing of the general welfare of New Concord, where Montgomery boulevard was named in his honor. The United Presbyterian Church here has been erected since he assumed the presidency of the college, and also the president's manse of the college—both beautiful buildings of the best modern type. Doctor Montgomery has retained the affection and high regard of the student body, has entered fully into the advancing of college athletics and other student activities, and his attitude has brought about a general spirit of harmony and cooperation. In July, 1923, Doctor Montgomery had the distinction of being the executive representative of Muskingum College in its conferring the degree of Doctor of Laws upon the late Hon. Warren G. Harding, president of the United States. In the period between November 17, 1922, and May 21, 1923, Doctor Montgomery made a trip around the world, and in this connection his services are much in demand in the delivering of lectures on world conditions.

On the 25th of December, 1889, was solemnized the marriage of Dr. Montgomery and Miss Mary Emmazetta Patton, of Harshaville, Ohio, and concerning their children the following brief record is offered: Mary Grace is the wife of Doctor James R. Moore, who conducts a hospital at Clemenceau, Arizona, their children being two sons. John Knox, Jr., is secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at Butler, Pennsylvania, and he and his wife have two sons. Rev. Donald Patton Montgomery is the pastor of the United Presbyterian Church at Harrisville, Pennsylvania. Geneva Kathleen is the wife of Rev. J. J. McIlwaine, pastor of a United Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Robert Nathaniel is now (1924) a theological student in Pittsburgh. Paul Spence, youngest of the children, is a student in Muskingum College, in which all of the older children were graduated, each with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Cedarville School Board. Few schools of a community the size of Cedarville are of the grade of those of this city, and their excellence and standing of the pupils may be directly laid to the credit of the school board, the members of which are W. C. Iliff, R. C. Ritenour, Clayton McMillan, G. H. Creswell, W. J. Tarbox, who are exceptionally well fitted for their work. Lester Day Parker is superintendent and William John Tarbox is president of the board, and Andrew Jackson is the clerk. Such fine results have been obtained through the efforts and cooperation of these gentlemen that it is but fair that a brief record be made of their lives and connection with the community and school board.

Forest H. Thorpe. A business that was started at the beginning of the present century with a view to supplying a limited and local demand has grown and expanded until the product of the Columbus Sucker Rod Company now carries the name of Columbus practically around the world.

The founder of this business was the late Henry A. Thorpe, who son, Forest H. Thorpe, is now president of the company. Henry A. Thorpe was born at Bristolville, Trumbull County, Ohio, in 1846, of English lineage and of an ancestry that had lived in America for several generations. The Thorpes have been of sturdy pioneer stock, and have helped lay the foundation of Ohio's great industrial wealth. The late Henry Thorpe was born and reared on a farm, but early in life went into a buggy factory, learning the carriage maker's trade. He was still a young man when he started a factory for the manufacture of poles and shafts at Ashtabula. Later he moved his business to Akron, and continued it on a prosperous scale for many years.

In 1900 Henry A. Thorpe moved to Columbus and established in that city a small plant for the manufacture of sucker rods used in pumping oil wells and in deep water wells. Henry Thorpe knew how to manufacture a high quality of rods, and he had the business ability to get them distributed, and accordingly his business steadily grew and prospered. It was incorporated as the Columbus Sucker Rod Company, and Henry Thorpe retained his active and vigorous direction of the affairs of the company almost until the time of his death, at the age of seventy-three. He died December, 1919. He lived to see his industry develop into one of the largest of the kind in the United States. Henry A. Thorpe married Mary J. Eckstine, who is also deceased. Their son, Forest H. Thorpe, was born at Alliance, Ohio, in 1876, and acquired a public school education. As a boy and young man he worked in his father's shaft and pole factory at Akron. Though his father was a prosperous manufacturer, the son showed a complete readiness to acquaint himself with every detail of the business through the medium of hard work and at his father's death he became president of the company. In 1922 the present plant was completed and occupied the west side of Edgehill Road, between West Third and West Fifth avenues. Prior to that time, and since 1900, the plant had been at 525 West First Avenue. The new plant on Edgehill Road occupies spacious grounds, and the business is carried on under ideal industrial conditions. An attractive feature of the plant is a modern office building of handsome architectural appearance. Within the past few years the business has grown to a point that would not have been conceived possible in earlier times. The output is sold and distributed not only throughout most of the states of the Union, but an important export business has been developed. These sucker rods are shipped to various European countries, Australia and Africa, and particularly to the present great oil fields in Burmah, India.

Mr. Forest H. Thorpe is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Scioto Country Club, the Columbus Country Club, the Columbus Athletic Club, the Rotary Club, and a number of local business organizations. He married Miss Emma S. Meese, of Akron.

Alice Archer Sewall James. An Ohio artist and author whose life has been spent largely within the boundaries of her native state, Alice Archer Sewall James is the wife of John H. James of Urbana.

Mrs. James was born at Glendale, Ohio, in 1870, daughter of Rev. Frank and Thedia (Gilchrist) Sewall. She studied art in the Kensington schools of England and under Howard Helmick at Washington. She was married in the city of Washington to Mr. James.

Her works as an artist have been exhibited in the New York Architectural League, the Society of American Artists, the Pennsylvania Academy of Designs, and in many exhibitions in Chicago, Cincinnati, Washington, Atlanta and St. Louis. They have also been hung in the Paris Salon.

Her literary work has been her principal medium of expression. She is author of "An Ode to Girlhood," and other poems published in 1899, "The Ballad of the Prince," published in 1900; "The Torch, a Pageant," produced in 1922, and of a number of poems and illustrations in such magazines as Harpers, Century, Cosmopolitan and others.

West Carrollton Public Schools. It is very unusual to find in a factory town of some 2,000 people such a well-organized educational system as that represented by the public schools of West Carrollton, a system that has been built up and developed by C. W. Plessinger, who has been superintendent of schools since 1911. Many larger cities in Ohio and other states could emulate with profit to the growing generation the spirit and effectiveness everywhere evident in this educational enterprise, which is perhaps one of the most modern and progressive of its kind yet devised.

The public school system at West Carrollton consists of a high school of the first grade, a junior high school, intermediate grades, elementary grades and a summer school, the last-named of which has been conducted for the past twelve years under the personal direction of Mr. Plessinger. This school has about 600 students enrolled on its lists, who have been attracted from outside the district by the superior advantages offered.

Only a few years ago there were but eighteen pupils in the high school, and today the enrollment amounts to 125. The graduating class of 1924 alone numbered twenty-three, five more than the entire enrollment of twelve years ago. This attests the standing of the high school in the West Carrollton community, for this increase of nearly 700 per cent was an established fact before the recent laws covering compulsory education went into effect. All the modern courses are offered, including public speaking, domestic science, domestic art, shop work, mechanical drawing, complete commercial courses, etc.

The school is conducted in a new building, costing $200,000, and equipped with all the latest appliances, including two motion picture machines, laboratories for biology, chemistry, agriculture, physics and domestic science, a fully equipped gymnasium, an auditorium, cafeteria, kitchen, shower baths, etc. One of the splendid features of the school is a $2,000 library, donated by Mrs. Elsie Rice as a memorial to her son, Glenn Rice, who met an accidental death some years ago. The building has fifty-five rooms, and the intermediate and elementary grades are held on the second floor in well-lighted rooms. The high school publishes an annual, "The Wecaton," a $1,000 publication selling at $1.50. That the rating of the students of this school is high is evidenced in the fact that in recent county and inter-county contests they have won forty-six gold and silver medals. The high school is one of the few in the country which has a trust fund to be loaned to students going to college, this having been established by the late Henry L. Newell, West Carrollton's wealthiest citizen and builder of the American Envelope Company, a model plant.

C. W. Plessinger, superintendent of the West Carrollton public schools, is a man of broad education and experience, and one who has devoted his life and career to the highest ideals of his calling. After completing his primary training he attended Otterbein College, the Ohio State University and Columbia University of New York City, supplementing this by European study and travel with the late John H. Patterson, the founder of the National Cash Register Company of Dayton, who had Mr. Plessinger specially employed to tutor his children, one of whom is now president of that company. Mr. Plessinger entered upon the duties of his present position in 1911, and from the start has been untiring in his efforts to make the West Carrollton school system the best of its kind in the country, a labor which has been prolific of splendid results. In his work he has had the cooperation and support of an excellent Parent-Teachers Association, of which Mrs. Harry Wilson is president, and which has been of inestimable service in recent years; and of the board of school directors, which is composed at present of C. A. Sprague, president; C. H. Bloss, clerk; Albert Miller, Ratio Hinkson, Charles Arnold and John S. Heeter.

Recently there has been added to the West Carrollton School District three adjoining districts between West Carrollton and Dayton. This territory includes the plant of the General Motors Research Division and other valuable properties. This recent addition almost doubles the tax valuation of the district.

Elroy McKendree Avery was a resident of Cleveland forty-eight years. Among Ohio's educators and authors his name is associated with many distinctive achievements.

Doctor Avery was born at Erie, in Monroe County, Michigan, July 14, 1844, son of Casper Hugh and Dorothy (Putnam) Avery. He is a lineal descendant of Captain James Avery, who came from England about 1640, and also of two of the Mayflower Pilgrims of 1620, of Steven Hopkins and his daughter Constance, and of Thomas Dudley, the second governor of Massachusetts Bay colony.

In 1861, when seventeen years of age, Elroy McKendree Avery enlisted as a private in Company A of the Fourth Michigan Infantry, and saw active service in the greater part of the war. At the end of the war he was sergeant major of the Eleventh Michigan Cavalry. Following the war he taught school and attended the University of Michigan, graduating Bachelor of Philosophy in 1871. The University conferred upon him the degree of Master of Philosophy in 1871 and he has since been awarded the honorary degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Laws and Doctor of Civil Law. He was elected a member of the Scholarship Honorary Fraternity Phi Beta Kappa.

Doctor Avery was at one time principal of the high school at Battle Creek, Michigan. He was also superintendent of schools at East Cleveland and principal of the City Normal School at Cleveland. He became a resident of Cleveland in 1871. From 1879, the year he retired from the principalship of the Normal School, until 1885 he was in the service of the Brush Electric Company, Cleveland's pioneer electrical engineering organization; in that capacity he organized forty-two electric lighting companies. He was elected and served as a member of the City Council at Cleveland in 1891 and 1892, and served in the Ohio State Senate from 1893 to 1897.

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Doctor Avery's chief contribution to education was made as author of a notable series of text books, splendid works used in public schools and colleges over the country for thirty years or more. Some of these bore the following titles: "Elementary Physics," 1876; "Elements of Natural Philosophy," 1878; "Elementary Chemistry," 1881; "Complete Chemistry," 1883; "First Principles of Natural Philosophy," 1884; "School Physics," 1895; "Elementary Physics," 1897; "School Chemistry," 1904; is author of the "Groton Avery Clan," 1912; "A History of the United States and its People," published in twelve volumes; and "History of Cleveland and its Environs," 1918. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and a member of many historical and economical societies.

In 1919 Doctor Avery transferred his residence from Cleveland to New Port Richey, Florida. He has taken an active part in the affairs of that southern community, being chairman of the board of the First State Bank, founder and president of the Avery Library, Inc., founder and president of the Cotee River Boat Club, president of the Cotee Hardware Company, etc.

That he has "made good" in Florida is indicated by the fact that he was recently given "A Municipal Birthday Party," (the only one of the kind on record) at which the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS—The Honorable Elroy McKendree Avery, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Laws, Doctor of Civil Laws, Phi Beta Kappa, etc., (he has more honorary titles and academic degrees than he can use) has by his personality, philanthropy, progressiveness, and by being an all around good fellow, deservedly won the high esteem of this community, therefore be it

RESOLVED—That we, the people of New Port Richey and vicinity, in mass meeting assembled on the eightieth anniversary of his birth, do hereby confer on the said Elroy McKendree Avery the Floridian Degree of O. G. O. M. (Our Grand Old Man). God bless him.

He is an independent republican, Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of the Congregational Church.

On July 2, 1870, at Battle Creek, Michigan, Doctor Avery married Miss Catherine Hitchcock Tilden, daughter of Hon. Junius Tilden, of Monroe, Michigan. She died December 22, 1911. On June 15, 1916, at Cleveland, he married Miss Ella Alice Wilson, daughter of John Wilson of Cleveland.

LESTER DAY PARKER was born at Larue, Marion County, Ohio, December 10, 1885, a son of John and Mary (Day) Parker, and grandson of Thomas Parker, a native of England, who came to the United States many years ago. He married a lady, a native of Lincolnshire, England, who was brought to this country by her parents when she was eleven years old. John Parker was a farmer of Marion County, and for twenty years served on the school board, and for thirty years was a member of the official board of the local Methodist Episcopal Church.

After attending the local schools, Harpster High School, from which he was graduated in 1911, and the Wesleyan Academy, from which he was graduated in 1914, Lester Day Parker became a teacher of Cedarville College, and held that position until 1917, at which time he was made principal of the Cedarville Township High School, and in 1918 was made superintendent of the Cedarville schools, which position he still holds. He received his degree of Master of Arts from the Ohio State University in 1922.

Since taking charge of the schools here Mr. Parker has introduced the subject system of promotion, thus incorporating many of the advantages of the opportunity school, and has also introduced into the seventh and eighth grades a number of the principles of the Junior High School system. The Cedarville Township High School is the only accredited high school of Greene County. Mr. Parker belongs to Phi Kappa and Phi Delta Kappa, and he is a member of the official board of the Cedarville Methodist Episcopal Church.

On September 3, 1913, Mr. Parker married at Harpster, Ohio, Lola Isett, a daughter of George and Edna (Racy) Isett. Mrs. Parker was a school teacher and graduate nurse prior to her marriage, having been engaged in the practice of nursing for a year when she married. There are three children: Robert, who was born June 5, 1914, is in the sixth grade; Mildred, who was born January 3, 1917, and Eleanor, who was born June 25, 1922.

FRANCIS A. STEADMAN is one of the trusted citizens of Marietta and a well qualified business man, proprietor of the Marietta Casting Company. He has been in the foundry business most of his life.

Mr. Steadman was born at McConnelsville, Ohio, August 20, 1877, son of John E. and Laura E. (Ramsey) Steadman. His father, who was born at Leesburg in Loudoun County, Virginia, in 1850, represented a family that lived in Western Virginia, opposed to secession. He grew up there, but in 1870 came to Ohio and worked in the stove works at McConnelsville, lived in Zanesville for a time, then at Beverly, and finally moved to Marietta, where for many years he was a shop foreman. John E. Steadman possessed sterling character, and was widely admired. In the republican party he was a delegate to various conventions. It is said he was the first citizen of Marietta initiated a Knight Templar Mason. In Harmer Lodge No. 390 he served as tyler from 1888 until his death in 1914, and at the end of twenty-five years of faithful service he was presented with a sword by his fellow members. After the presentation speech was made his response was the most eloquent possible—silence. He was a leader in the building of the Masonic Temple at Marietta, and was made a member of the Mystic Shrine at Cincinnati, but subsequently transferred his membership to Wheeling. He belonged to the Episcopal Church.

Laura E. Ramsey, wife of John E. Steadman, was born in McConnelsville in 1859. She is a member of the Methodist Church. There are three children: Edna, wife of Carl Weis, of Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Rose Bouhner, whose husband is a mining engineer and general superintendent of mines for the Consolidated Company, with home at Fairfield, West Virginia, and Francis A.

Francis A. Steadman attended the grade schools in Marietta, but when only ten years of age was practicing his talents for trade as a dealer in chickens, pigs, and garden truck, and subsequently for a time he conducted a huckster business, using a car drawn by a white mule. His ambitions in those days were to become a veterinary surgeon, but his people dissuaded him from this career. He served an apprenticeship with the Marietta Manufacturing Company, and was with that corporation altogether twenty-two years, until the company went out of business at Marietta, moving its plant elsewhere. For three years Mr. Steadman was foreman of the plant. In 1915 he engaged in business for himself, establishing the Marietta Casting Company. He had

an extensive line of credit but very little personal capital, and his original plant was constructed largely of scraps from the old Marietta Boat Yard, bought by Mr. Steadman from a local bank. He has given the output of the Marietta Casting Company a high reputation for its splendid quality of gray iron castings.

Mr. Steadman is a member of the Kiwanis Club, Credit Men's Association, the Chamber of Commerce, is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge No. 390 and belongs to the Scottish Rite Consistory and the Parkersburg Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He has many of the characteristics of his father, modest and sincere, unable to make a public speech but with a host of friends.

He married, June 29, 1912, Miss Bessie L. Griffith, daughter of Ford Griffith. She is a member of the Church of Christ. They have one son, John Richard.

WILLIAM JOHN TARBOX was born November 25, 1860, at Cedarville, a son of John Merrill and Rachel (Nichol) Tarbox. The name was originally spelled Tarbeaux, and this indicates that without doubt the family originated in France. The records show that the Tarbox family were seagoing people during earlier years in the history of this country. The Merrills are of English descent, and the grandmother, Mrs. Lucy Merrill, lived and died at Buxton, Maine. The maternal grandfather, John Nichol, was of Scotch-Irish descent. John Merrill Tarbox was engaged in the lumber business for years, with sawmills at Cedarville. During the war between the North and the South he served with the Thirty-fourth Ohio Zouaves, and was wounded. For many years he was a zealous member of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Cedarville town council had him as one of its members for a number of years. This excellent citizen died in 1918, at the age of eighty-seven years.

The local schools gave William John Tarbox his education, and he secured a knowledge of business with his father. For the past twenty-five years he has been a contractor and builder, as well as a lumber merchant, but recently disposed of his lumber interests, only retaining the hardwood manufacturing branch of his business. He is a director of the Cedarville Building & Loan Association, which office he has held for thirty years, has been a director of the board of managers of the Cedarville Realty Company since it was organized in 1905. He is also a director of the Abel Magnesia Company, and has held that office and that of secretary since the organization of this concern in 1921, and has been chairman of the Cedarville School Board since 1918. For thirty-four years he has been an elder of the United Presbyterian Church. A successful man, Mr. Tarbox is impressed with the fact that no man can achieve to real prosperity without character. For a time he may appear to flourish, but unless his actions are in accordance with high principles his success will be but ephemeral. He is also a strong advocate of Christian education, and is zealous in his efforts to keep the public schools protestant, and to have the Bible read in them each day.

On March 19, 1885, Mr. Tarbox married at Cedarville Mary A. Harbison, a daughter of Robert D. and Jeanette (McMillan) Harbison. Mrs. Tarbox's mother was a niece of Rev. Dr. Hugh McMillan, who, because of slavery agitation, led his congregation from South Carolina to Cedarville. She was reared on her father's farm in Greene County. Mr. and Mrs. Tarbox have had the following children born to them: Janet, who is the wife of Harry A. Waddle, a lumber merchant of Columbus, Ohio, has a son, Merrill, attending the public schools; Rachel, who is the wife of Fred Townsley, has two children, Mary Jane and Dorris Ellen Townsley; and Ellen, who is a graduate of the Cedarville High School, attended Cedarville College, as did her sisters, and is now a student of Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

WALTER C. ILIFF was born at Cedarville, March 28, 1875, a son of William H. and Margaret L. (Small) Iliff. William H. Iliff was a stone mason and contractor, and for many years served on the village and school boards. A Union veteran, he was the second man to enlist in the Three Hundred and Twenty-fifth from Cedarville Township in the Twelfth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. This large quota made this the banner township of the banner county of the banner state in the Union. Although he continued in the service all through the war, he sustained no injury, nor was he captured, although he had a narrow escape from being taken a prisoner. Disobeying orders, he rejoined his regiment after the squad to which he had been assigned had completed the work given them to perform. The remainder of the squad, resting from their exertions, were captured, he alone escaping by reason of his midnight return to headquarters. Of all his engagements Antietam was the most sanguine. For many years he was a consistent member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Methodist Episcopal Church. His death occurred when he was sixty-nine years old.

The Cedarville High School and Cedarville College are responsible for the education of Walter C. Iliff, and in addition to being a member of the rural school board he is a member of the board of trustees of his alma mater. After leaving college Mr. Iliff and a brother began contracting for local concrete work, and subsequently expanded their business to include county contracts and those with the Pennsylvania system, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, Norfolk & Western Railroad, the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad, and the Pere Marquette Railroad. A Presbyterian, he is a member of its board of trustees here; he belongs to the Masonic fraternity, and is a member of the Republican Central Executive Committee of Greene County. A warm admirer of William McKinley, he gave him his staunch support both as governor and president, not only because of his strict integrity and clean public career, but also because of his devotion to his aged mother and invalid wife.

On January 7, 1903, Mr. Iliff married at Cedarville Lula Johnson, a daughter of Harrison and Tranqulina (Kelly) Johnson. Mr. Johnson was a farmer, and during the War of the '60s was a member of the famous "Squirrel Hunters," the reserves called out to protect the state against the invasion of Gen. John Morgan and his men. Mrs. Iliff attended Clifton High School, and is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Ladies Club and the Ladies Advisory Board of Cedarville College. Mr. and Mrs. Iliff became the parents of one daughter, Helen Margaret, who was born June 28, 1906. She is a graduate of the Cedarville High School, and the department of music, Cedarville College, and is now taking the regular course at this college. A member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, she is pianist, and a teacher in its Sunday School. She is a charter member of the Cedarville Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, being eligible to this organization through her great-great-grandfather, James Small, on the maternal side, who was a soldier of the American Revolution. The Iliffs, Smalls, Kellys and others from whom she is descended through the paternal and

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maternal sides of the family were all well known and substantial citizens of this part of Ohio.

ELI E. LINDSAY has practiced law in Tuscarawas County nearly thirty years, is a native of Ohio, spent his early years in educational work, and has achieved real success and distinction in his profession and in civic affairs.

Mr. Lindsay, who is a resident of New Philadelphia, was born on his father's farm in Brown County, Ohio, September 9, 1866. The Lindsays have been in Brown County throughout the period of Ohio's statehood. Mr. Lindsay represents the fifth generation of the family in America. He is a descendant of John Lindsay, who was born in England, of Scotch ancestry, and coming to the American Colonies, joined them as a soldier in the American Revolution. In 1800 he came from Pennsylvania to Ohio and settled in Brown County, where he was one of the very early pioneers. His son, Philip Lindsay, was born in Brown County, also his grandson, Jesse Lindsay, and Jesse Lindsay was the grandfather of the Tuscarawas County attorney. The latter's parents were Nimrod and Roanna (Dunn) Lindsay, both born in Brown County, Roanna Dunn being a daughter of Levy Dunn, a native of Ohio, and a granddaughter of Henry Dunn, who was born in Ireland.

Eli E. Lindsay grew up on a farm in Southern Ohio, attended the country schools, and supplemented their advantages by one term in the National Normal University at Lebanon. He gave seven years of his early manhood to the vocation of teaching, five years in country schools in Ohio, and then, after entering the Federal Civil Service, taught for two years in Indian schools in Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Mr. Lindsay graduated in 1895 from the Kent College of Law at Chicago, was admitted to the Ohio bar, and for twenty years conducted a successful practice with home and office at Newcomerstown in Tuscarawas County. He was then elected prosecuting attorney of the county, and in 1915 removed to the county seat at New Philadelphia. He served three consecutive terms as prosecuting attorney, a period of six years, after which he resumed his private practice. He has served two terms as city solicitor of New Philadelphia.

He has manifested a commendable interest in public affairs, giving his support to all creditable measures and movements in his locality. In addition to his large law practice he is a director of the Peoples Bank and Savings Company and the Tuscarawas Finance Company of New Philadelphia. Mr. Lindsay is a democrat, is a member of the Methodist Protestant Church, and fraternally is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Loyal Order of Moose.

He married Miss Linda Kimball in 1889. She was born and reared in Brown County, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Kimball, granddaughter of Henry Kimball and descended from the Kimballs who are among the oldest and most respected families of Brown County, tracing their ancestry back to colonists who came to America at the time of the Mayflower.

The six sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay are Aubrey E., Ray T., Harley D., Roy K., James L. and Chester W. Aubrey was in the aviation service during the World war, and spent nearly two years overseas. The son Roy was in training as a soldier in home camps in the United States.

HENRY HAMILTON STURTEVANT. The business career of Henry Hamilton Sturtevant of Zanesville is a conspicuous illustration of the value of concentration of energies along one line. Mr. Sturtevant is a merchant, has been working in stores or a store proprietor since early youth, and has been in business at Zanesville for nearly half a century. The H. H. Sturtevant Company, of which he is president, is one of the notable examples of business enterprises in the state.

Mr. Sturtevant comes of old New England ancestry and was born at Craftsbury, Vermont, April 19, 1851. His grandfather, Ezra Sturtevant, was a native of New Hampshire. Hiram Sturtevant, father of the Zanesville merchant, was born in Vermont, and in early life was a farmer at Craftsbury. In 1864 he moved to Lebanon, New Hampshire, and became a member of the firm of J. C. Sturtevant & Company, manufacturers of sash, doors and blinds. Hiram Sturtevant died at the age of seventy-five, in November, 1895. He was a staunch republican from 1860, served as selectman of his town and was a member of the Congregational Church. His wife, Eliza Cory, was a native of Vermont, and died at the age of eighty-three.

Henry Hamilton Sturtevant spent the first thirteen years of his life on a Vermont farm. After that he continued his education in the schools of Lebanon, New Hampshire, and after school hours worked in his father's factory. However, his ambition was early set upon a mercantile career. When he was seventeen he went to Littleton, New Hampshire, and hired out to work for a local merchant, William Bailey, at wages of $75 a year, performing the variegated duties of clerk, express messenger, cultivating a small farm, hauling wood, etcetera. After a year he sought better opportunities at Woodstock, Vermont, and for four years was clerk in the dry goods store of J. B. Jones, working up to a salary of $10 a week. Leaving there, he went to Boston, and was given employment in the wholesale dry goods firm of Wellington Brothers & Company. After a short time in the stockroom the firm sent him out as a traveling salesman to work the hardest territory in Western Massachusetts. His ability as a salesman brought orders that no other representative of the firm had been able to secure, and in a short time he was transferred to a richer and better field in Indiana, and subsequently his territory was increased until he was covering Ohio, Indiana and the country as far west as Kansas City. He was with that firm four years, and in 1876 he withdrew and embarked his small capital in a retail dry goods business at Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Selling out to a partner in 1878, he came to Zanesville and bought the retail dry goods store of Thomas Black. He soon took into partnership John Martin, and the firm of Sturtevant & Martin continued until 1890. At that time Mr. Sturtevant became sole proprietor. The original firm started at Fourth and Main streets, occupying one floor 40 by 60 feet. The business was small, but it grew and prospered, and in 1884 the business was moved to Third and Main, occupying a ground floor 50 by 120 feet, and in 1890 these quarters were enlarged to 60 by 200 feet, and in 1893 the business was enlarged and included the main floor 60 by 200 feet, and the second and third floors, 60 by 200 feet. Through the years the business has continued to grow, and it is now the largest retail dry goods house in the state in a town as large as or double the size of Zanesville. Quality merchandise at fair prices and one price to all have been responsible for this gratifying growth. Mr. Sturtevant continued the business alone until 1903, when, to show appreciation to employes who had helped him, the H. H. Sturtevant Company was incorporated. He became president and general manager, five of his older employes being stockholders, directors and officers. While Mr. Sturtevant has other business interests, his time and

energy have never been deflected by these interests and have been concentrated on his main enterprise.

No one has given more liberally for public enterprise and civic welfare. He has been active in the Chamber of Commerce, and during the World war was chairman of the Muskingum County Food Committee and active in other campaigns. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a member of the Zane Club and the Zanesville Golf Club, but his chief club is his home. He finds pleasure in motoring, and is a republican in politics. Fraternally his membership is in Lafayette Lodge No. 79, Free and Accepted Masons; Zanesville Chapter No. 9, Royal Arch Masons; Zanesville Council No. 12, Royal and Select Masters; Cyrene Commandery No. 10, Knights Templar; Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Columbus, and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He is also a member of the Masonic Club. At Zanesville in 1901 Mr. Sturtevant married Mrs. Blanche L. Underner Martin, of Cleveland. While not members, they are regular attendants at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Zanesville.

J. Edward Hurst, who has spent nearly all the years of his life in Tuscarawas County, has been identified with its schools, its public places of responsibility, the real estate business, and for the past seventeen years has been editor of one of the most influential daily papers in this section of Ohio, the New Philadelphia Daily Times.

He was born on a farm near New Philadelphia, December 1, 1866. It was in this locality that his paternal and maternal grandparents settled when they came from Switzerland. Mr. Hurst's father, Frederick Hurst, was four years of age when the family came to Ohio, and his mother, Roseann Haney, was two years old when her parents settled here. Frederick Hurst was a Union soldier in the Civil war, first serving a three months' enlistment in Company F of the 161st Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and then entering Company A of the 185th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and serving until the close of the war, when he was given an honorable discharge. For many years he was active in the Grand Army of the Republic, was a democrat in politics, and his business activities were identified with farming. He and his wife were members of the Reformed Church and later became Lutherans. Frederick Hurst died at the age of seventy-one, and his first wife, at the age of forty-five. They had a family of eight children.

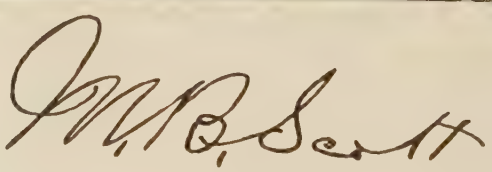
The oldest of these, J. Edward Hurst, was two years of age when his parents moved to a farm in Clay County, Illinois, and six years later returned to Tuscarawas County, to a farm near Strasburg, where J. Edward spent the rest of his youth. He attended rural schools, the public schools of Strasburg and a normal school in New Philadelphia, and at the age of twenty-one began teaching, a work he followed in the rural districts, for four consecutive years. Then, in 1891, he was appointed deputy clerk in the office of the Probate Court, serving three years. Following that he engaged in a successful real estate and insurance business at New Philadelphia until 1907, when he bought The Daily Times and the weekly Ohio Democrat and Times, and is now president of the Democrat Publishing Company, owning and publishing these two papers. Mr. Hurst for a number of years has been editor and manager of the publications. The Daily Times has grown and greatly extended its influence and prestige, its circulation now exceeding more than eight thousand, and each issue comprises from ten to twelve pages. The Ohio Democrat and Times is a Democratic weekly journal. Both papers are published in an up-to-date printing plant. Mr. Hurst for many years has been prominent in the democratic party organization in his section of the state, having served as chairman of the County Executive Committee, as a member of the State Executive Committee, and was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention of 1908. He has ardently espoused the cause of prohibition, and has wholeheartedly supported the enforcement of the eighteenth amendment. Mr. Hurst was elected state senator in 1899 from the eighteenth and nineteenth senatorial district, consisting of the counties of Tuscarawas, Coshocton, Guernsey, Monroe and part of Noble. For many years it was the rule that the senator from this joint district was not eligible for reelection, and when Mr. Hurst was reelected it broke a long standing custom and was proof positive of the popularity of his senatorial record. He served on important committees during the 74th and 75th General Assemblies. His second election was contested by David Taylor, whom he defeated, and in the contest the late Warren G. Harding presided over the contest committee, which decided in favor of Mr. Hurst. Mr. Hurst in 1904 became democratic nominee for Congress, but was defeated in the Roosevelt landslide at the polls that year.

In local affairs he has been no slacker of duty. Though his business has exacted the most from him in time and energy, he has given freely in movements commanding public spirited cooperation. During the World war, he was active through his paper and individually in supporting all war causes. He has been active in the local Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club, is a charter member and past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Modern Woodmen of America and Sons of Veterans. Mr. Hurst is much interested in local history, in which his county is so rich, and was appointed a member of the Schoenbrun Historical Association, recently authorized by state legislation, an organization created to preserve the old historic Schoenbrun Church building and to preserve the history of the First Christian Church within the borders of Ohio.

In 1887, at the age of twenty-one, while teaching school, Mr. Hurst married Miss Mary Ellen Benfer, a daughter of Elias R. and Caroline (Boyd) Benfer, of Franklin Township, Tuscarawas County, where Mrs. Hurst was born and raised. Her parents were also born in the same county, and her father was first a farmer and later a merchant at Dundee and still later was associated with his sons in the mercantile business at Magnolia. He was a democrat in politics and represented Tuscarawas County in the State Legislature.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurst have three children: Lulu M. has for some years been society editor of The Daily Times, and is the wife of Irwin Dale Emffield, who was a lieutenant during the World war, being overseas, and is now secretary of the Democratic Publishing Company and city editor of The Daily Times. Cora L., the second daughter, who has served several years on the editorial staff of The Daily Times, is the wife of George L. Sackett, bookkeeper and auditor of the Democrat Publishing Company. The only son of Mr. and Mrs. Hurst is Joseph Edward, now a student in Wooster University at Wooster, Ohio.

Sam F. Dickerson, publisher of the Cadiz Democrat Sentinel, learned the printer's trade when a boy, and for twenty years has been publishing one of the leading papers in Harrison County. He represents an old family of this section of Ohio, and is of an American ancestry that runs back to the earliest



Colonial settlements of Long Island and New Jersey. Philemon Dickerson, who was born in Suffolk, England, in 1598, came to America before 1640, first settling at Salem, Massachusetts, and later at Southold, Long Island, where he died in 1672. Some of his descendants moved to New Jersey about 1745, and since that time the name has been a distinguished one in that state. One of the name was Gen. Mahlon Dickerson, who served on the Supreme bench, as governor of New Jersey, as United States senator and secretary of the navy in President Jackson's cabinet.

The ancestry of the Harrison County branch of the family runs back to Thomas and Elizabeth Dickerson, of what is now Montgomery County, Maryland, Thomas took up land there in 1688, and died in 1725. His son, Henry Dickerson, married Susanna Sarratt, and they had three sons, John, Thomas and Sarratt. Of these sons John Dickerson and his wife, Ruth, moved from Maryland to Washington County, Pennsylvania, about 1773-1776, and John Dickerson died there in 1785. He left a large family of children, his oldest son being Joshua Dickerson, who died in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, in 1827, and whose wife was Susanna Whitten. The grandfather of Sam F. Dickerson was John C. Dickerson, who was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and was a small boy when his parents in 1800 settled in Harrison County, Ohio. Samuel C. Dickerson, father of Sam F., was born in Athens Township, Harrison County, May 19, 1840, and succeeded to the ownership of the old Dickerson mill established by his uncle, Adam, converting it into a steam power grist and saw mill. He was also a farmer and stock dealer, and in 1900 moved to Cadiz, where he lived retired until his death August 27, 1918. He married Mary Elizabeth McCoy, who was born in Harrison County, March 7, 1843, her father, Frank McCoy, being a native of Maryland. Her mother was Abigail Lantz, daughter of Peter and Mary (Patterson) Lantz. Mary Patterson's brother, Rev. Samuel Patterson, was one of the early ministers in Harrison County, and for over forty years pastor of Presbyterian churches there.

Sam F. Dickerson was born at Dickerson's Mill in Harrison County, December 7, 1874, and as a boy on the farm attended district schools and at the age of seventeen left the Cadiz High School to serve an apprenticeship at the printer's trade in the office of the Cadiz Republican. He spent eight years with that paper, and as a journeyman printer worked in many cities of the East and Middle West, and for two years was a reporter for the Pittsburgh Times. Mr. Dickerson on January 14, 1905, bought the Harrison County Democrat, and in December, 1911, acquired the Cadiz Sentinel, and has since published them under the consolidated title of Democrat Sentinel, building up a paper of great power and influence and published in one of the modern equipped printing plants in Eastern Ohio.

Mr. Dickerson has been given many responsibilities in the democratic party organization in his home county, district and state, having been a delegate to the national convention at St. Louis in 1916. He is a Presbyterian; has served as secretary of the Harrison County Agricultural Society, as a member of the Deputy Board Supervisors of Elections, and for six years was chairman of the county board of visitors.

Frank C. Deckebach, public accountant and auditor at Cincinnati, has had a wide and diversified experience in all the practical branches of his profession.

He was born in Hamilton County, Ohio, November 11, 1879, son of George O. Deckebach. His father was well known in public affairs in Cincinnati for half a century. Second in a family of four children, Frank C. Deckebach attended grammar schools in Cincinnati, the Woodward High School and had training in a business college. His first employment was as bookkeeper. For a time he was examiner for the Bureau of Inspection and had supervision of public offices of the State of Ohio. For several years he was with a Cincinnati firm of public accountants, and in 1913 engaged in that business for himself, with offices in the Traction Building. He has a large clientele, including many individual firms and large corporations for which he has done auditing and special accounting. His services have also been engaged from time to time by civic bodies. Mr. Deckebach handled a large amount of professional work in behalf of the Government during the World war.

Milton Brooks Scott, a retired merchant now living at Milford, is a former mayor of that little city in Hamilton and Clermont counties, and he is generally credited with having been the chief factor in the modern development of this community.

He was born November 23, 1864, in the Village of Fincastle, Eagle Township, Brown County, Ohio, son of William H. and Adeline Scott, both natives of Ohio. Milton Brooks Scott attended public schools in his native village, and as a young man engaged in the general merchandise business there. From that point he removed to Newport, Adams County, where for a number of years he conducted a store. Following that he became traveling representative for the Sterns Coal and Lumber Company, and then for several years was connected with the Norfolk and Western Railway. For three years he was manager of the Portsmouth Hat and Glove Company.

Mr. Scott was vice mayor of Milford in 1918-20, and owing to the illness of the mayor he became active mayor in 1920. While mayor he was approached by the state prohibition agents relative to the trial of liquor cases arising from arrests in Hamilton and Clermont counties, Milford being situated as the dividing line between the counties. His statement was that if the arrests were made legitimately and with positive proof and evidence he would permit the cases to be tried in his court. In the fall of 1921 he was elected mayor for a period of two years. While he was in office as acting mayor or mayor he collected in fines for the town of Milford over $325,000, and out of more than 1,500 cases that came before him his decisions were reversed by the higher courts only five times. People interested in the prosecution of liquor cases and the maintenance of the proper respect for law wrote him letters of commendation from all over the United States, and he was frequently asked for information regarding his policy and system of conducting his village court for the benefit of similar courts elsewhere. His term as mayor had many important results, not the least among which are the remodeled city building, the modern fire apparatus and other improvements for the village.

Mr. Scott is a member of the Knights of Pythias, belongs to the Association of Descendants of Daniel Boone, is a Methodist and an independent democrat. He married Miss Ora H. Hilling, daughter of Richard R. and Mary Hilling. She is a descendant of Betsy Ross, who made America's first flag. Both Mr. and Mrs. Scott take an active part in the social life of Milford. They have a family of six children: Ruby Scott, born in 1893, connected with the Building and Loan Association of Milford; Phyllis, born in 1897, a graduate of the Shuster-Martin School of Cincinnati; Wilmar L., born in 1899, a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and manager of a hotel at Yorktown, Virginia; Donna, born in 1902, a graduate of Miami University of Oxford, Ohio, and a

teacher; Geneva, born in 1904; and Glen Everest, attending the Milford High School.

EDWIN M. CRAIG, M. D., is one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Hamilton County, and is established in the successful general practice of his profession in the City of Norwood.

Dr. Craig reverts to the Hawkeye State as the place of his nativity, his birth having occurred in the City of Davenport, Iowa, on the 30th of October, 1870. He is a son of the late Abram T. and Sarah Jane (Irwin) Craig, and his father devoted virtually his entire active career to farm industry, of which he became a pioneer exponent in Iowa. The earlier education of Doctor Craig was gained in the district schools near the home farm, and in 1899 he was graduated from the National Normal University, Lebanon, Ohio. Thereafter he took a postgraduate course in Harvard University, and he gave a long period of effective service in the pedagogic profession. He held the position of principal of different village and city schools, served as superintendent of the public schools at Sabina, Ohio, and gave eight years of service as county school examiner of Clinton County, this state. In 1902 he matriculated in Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1906 and with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. While a student in medical college he held also the position of principal of the evening high school of Cincinnati, and his compensation for this service aided greatly in deferring the expenses of his course in medical college. He has since done valuable post-graduate work by availing himself of the advantages of the leading clinics in the cities of New York and Chicago. For fully a quarter of a century Doctor Craig has held high reputation as a lecturer on clinical subjects, and as a brilliant speaker of distinctive force and with remarkably classical diction he has become well known throughout the State of Ohio. In the World war period he proved one of the most vigorous and resourceful of the four-minute men, in the delivering of addresses in support of the various patriotic agencies and movements in his home county, and in this work he was specially prominent and influential. The Doctor is an active and valued member of the Cincinnati Academy of Medicine, and is identified also with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He has a large and representative practice, and is a leader in his profession at Norwood. He is a trustee and elder of the Christian Church in his home city, and for fifteen years has been teacher of the large adult Bible class in the Sunday School of this church. He is local medical examiner for a large number of leading life insurance companies, including the New York Life, the Mutual Life, the Union Central, the Midland Mutual, the Aetna, the Equitable Life of New York and the Ohio State Life. The Doctor gives as much time as possible to general and technical literary work, and has been a valuable contributor to the standard and periodical literature of his profession.

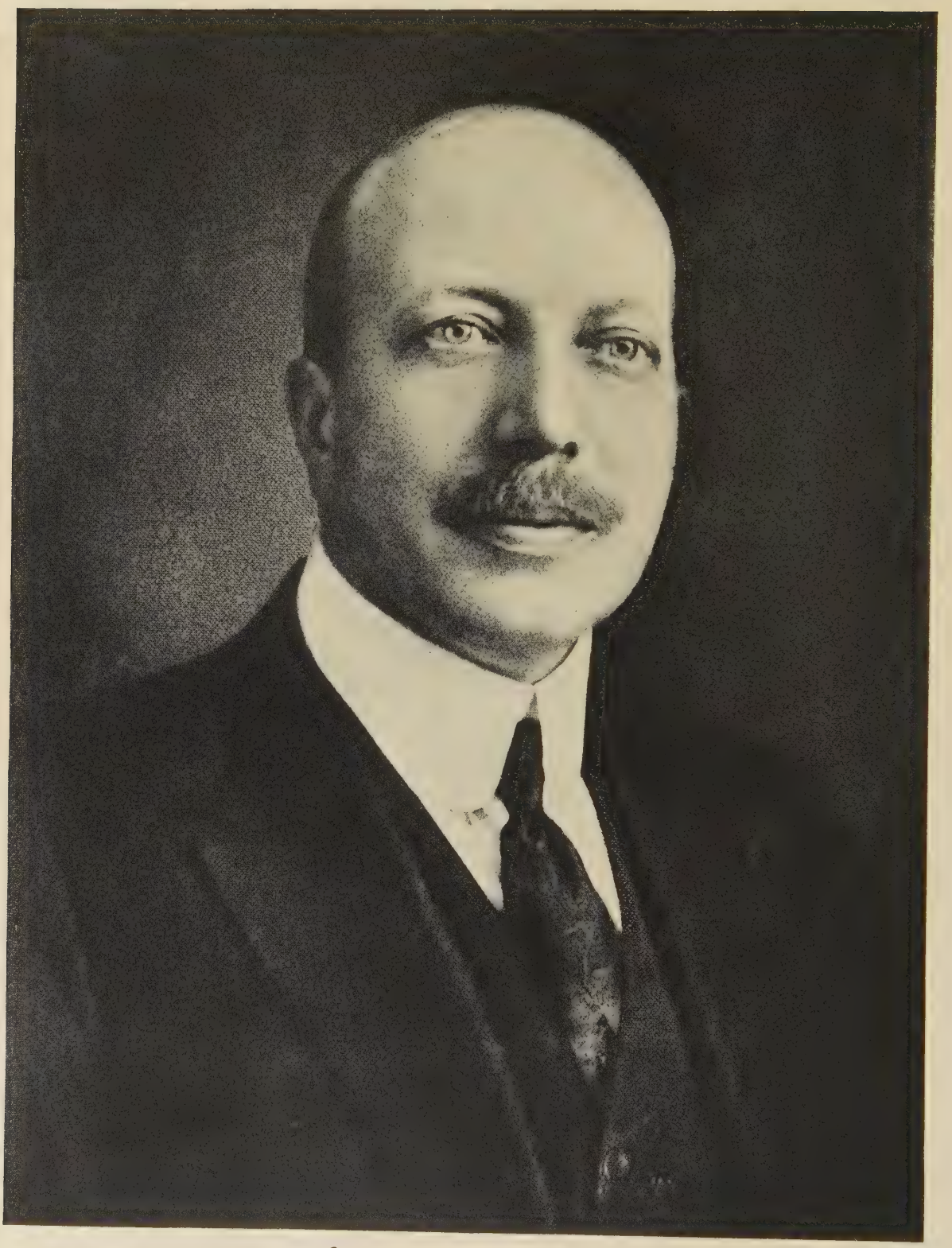
In the year 1901 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Craig and Miss Miriam Cadwallader, daughter of Clarkson and Mary E. Cadwallader, the father having been one of the representative farmers of Warren County for many years prior to his death. Mrs. Craig was afforded the advantages of the Cincinnati College of Music, and has been specially successful as a teacher of voice culture, while as a talented vocalist she is much in demand. She is identified with leading musical clubs in Norwood and Cincinnati, and is a popular figure in church, cultural and social circles. Doctor and Mrs. Craig have two daughters, both of whom are still members of the parental home circle. Miss Jane Craig was graduated from the Knox School for Girls and also from the University of Cincinnati, and Miss Virginia is, in 1924, a student in the Norwood High School.

HERBERT T. THORNBURGH, M. D., one of the successful members of the medical profession of Hamilton County, is a man who holds the respect and confidence of the people of Norwood and its vicinity, having won his way by his skill and resourcefulness. He has a fine record, as well, for his work in behalf of crippled children, and for preventive measures in a campaign for public safety.

Doctor Thornburgh was born at Rock Island, Illinois, March 27, 1872, but was brought to Ohio at the age of two years by his parents, William and Anna (Fisher) Thornburgh. A prominent railroad man, William Thornburgh was acting president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad at Akron, Ohio, when that branch of the road that runs through Akron was constructed. Subsequently he was interested in the coal industry and other important enterprises. Both he and his wife are now deceased.

After attending Brooks Academy and Military Institute, Cleveland, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1890, Herbert T. Thornburgh entered Cornell University, and was graduated therefrom in 1894, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. His medical training was taken at Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1898, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For the succeeding year he was resident surgeon of the Cleveland General Hospital. With the outbreak of the war with Spain he enlisted in the United States Army, and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, and was made assistant surgeon for the First Battalion. For three years following the close of the Spanish-American war he was stationed in different parts of the Philippine Islands. At the termination of his period of enlistment he was honorably discharged, and located at San Francisco, California, where he was engaged in practice until 1915. In that year he was made assistant surgeon of the Ohio State Hospital, Toledo, Ohio, which position he later resigned to go with the Ohio State Department of Health as chief local organizer. In this capacity he supervised the organization of the State Health Service under the law of 1920, and the efficiency of this service is due to his effective work. Doctor Thornburgh continued his labors in behalf of this service until he was appointed medical director of the Kentucky State Hospital at Lexington, when he resigned. While at Lexington he did a wonderful work in conducting a vigorous campaign throughout the entire state in behalf of preventive medicine. Resigning in December, 1923, he located at Norwood, where he is engaged in a general practice. Doctor Thornburgh took the extension course at the Ohio State University prior to entering the health service, which enabled him to act very definitely and capably in behalf of crippled children by providing for their treatment in clinics which he organized in every county in the state. Were this the only instance of his work in behalf of the unfortunate, his name would stand high in the roster of his profession, so important it is, and so wide is its scope. He belongs to the Ohio and Kentucky State Medical societies, the Cincinnati Medical Society and the American Medical Association. While at college he made Zeta Psi. The Presbyterian Church holds his membership.

In September, 1922, Doctor Thornburgh married Natalie Merrill, of Cincinnati, Ohio, a daughter



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of Hon. Chester M. and Mary Merrill, the latter of whom is living, but the former, a prominent lawyer, is deceased. Mrs. Thornburgh was educated at the University of Cincinnati, from which she was graduated, and she is a Phi Beta Kappa. Prior to her marriage she was chief of the Bureau of Child Hygiene of the State of Ohio, assistant to the Bureau of Juvenile Research and field worker for the State Board of Charities. She is an Episcopalian, and is prominent in her church and in social circles. Doctor and Mrs. Thornburgh have one child, William.

ALBERT K. B. LYMAN, who holds the rank of major in the Engineer Corps of the United States Army and who in this connection is now in charge of important government work, with headquarters in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, has had a specially interesting and varied career in his chosen profession, and in the same has given distinguished service.

Major Lyman was born on one of the Hawaiian Islands, May 5, 1885, his paternal grandfather having been the founder of what is now the Hilo Boarding School on the Island of Hawaii, and was one of the pioneer missionaries on the Hawaiian Islands. Major Lyman is a son of Rufus A. and Hualani (Brickwood) Lyman, he having been the thirteenth in order of birth in a family of fourteen children, all except four of whom are living at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924. The parents of Major Lyman were born in Hawaii and maintained their home on those fair Pacific islands during the entire course of their lives, the father having served at one time as governor of Hawaii and having been a successful rancher and sugar-planter. He and his wife were residents of Hilo, Hawaii, at the time of their death.

As a boy and youth Maj. Albert K. B. Lyman received private educational instruction in the family home, and thereafter he attended the public schools two years, until his graduation therein. In Hawaii he was for three years a student in a manual training and military training school, and after his graduation he was for one year a student in Oahu College, Honolulu. From his native islands he thereafter received appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point, and in this institution he was graduated June 15, 1909. He was commissioned second lieutenant in the Engineer Corps of the United States Army, and as such his first assignment (1909-10) was in the inspection of government construction work of river and harbor districts. From September to December, 1909, his inspection work was along the Mississippi River from St. Paul to St. Louis, and he had headquarters at Rock Island, Illinois. His service in this connection continued until June, 1910, and thereafter he was in similar service in the Panama Canal Zone until June of that year. From June until October his service was in connection with government work on the Great Lakes, and his next assignment was to similar service on the Ohio River, with headquarters at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In November, 1911, he completed a post-graduate course and was graduated from the United States Engineers School at Washington Barracks, District of Columbia, and from that time forward to November, 1913, he was there on duty with the First Battalion of Engineers. In October, 1912, he was promoted to the grade of first lieutenant. From November, 1913, to November, 1916, with Company I, Third Battalion of Engineers, he was on duty at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands. July 1, 1916, he was promoted to the rank of captain, and assumed this office with Company D, Third Regiment of Engineers—a company which he had organized. He was in charge of the field survey of the Island of Oahu, Hawaiian Islands, and boundary surveys of the military reservations there. From November, 1916, until the following May he was stationed at Cincinnati, Ohio, as military assistant to the district engineer of the First Cincinnati District. May 1, 1917, he became an instructor in the Engineer Company Reserve Officers' Training Company at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, where his service continued until the fifteenth of the following month. He was thereafter stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, until January 1, 1918, the preceding September, having recorded his promotion to temporary major. In January, 1918, Major Lyman was assigned to duty at Camp Lee, Virginia, where he remained until March 1. He was then assigned to the Six Hundred and Second Engineers, United States Army, which he organized at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, and was promoted to the grade of lieutenant-colonel. In June with his command he then entered overseas service in the World war, but in August, 1918, he returned to the United States. Illness contracted during the return trip held him incapacitated until the following October. In October, 1918, he was assigned to duty at the Army War College, Washington, D. C., and in November was promoted to the grade of colonel. From December, 1918, until April, 1920, he was instructor in the Engineer School at Fort Humphreys, Virginia, where he was director of the departments of chemistry, mineralogy and geology and the department of equitation, as well as of the departments of manual training and hydraulics. He supervised the procurement and installation of the laboratory equipment for these departments.

From April, 1920, to January, 1922, Major Lyman was secretary of the Mississippi River Commission and district officer of the Northern District of the commission, with headquarters in the City of St. Louis. His service in this connection consisted primarily of flood-control research work and levee construction. From February, 1922, to February, 1923, he was assistant to General Crowder and military attache to the American Legation in Havana, Cuba. From that time forward until June 22, 1923, he was in charge of the intelligence section in the office of the chief of engineers, War Department, Washington, D. C., and since that time to the period in which this review is prepared he has been district officer, Cincinnati District, United States Engineers. In this connection the major is stationed at Cincinnati in charge of the general improvement of the Ohio River, including operating snag boats and construction of locks and dams Nos. 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39, and operating dam No. 37, Ohio and Kentucky, operating and care of locks and dams on the Kentucky River. He is a member of the Organized Reserves, Fifth Corps Area, and detailed as superintendant of lighthouses in the Fourteenth Lighthouse District.

Major Lyman has become a member of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce and also the Business Men's Club. His religious faith is that of the Congregational Church, and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. The major has taken special interest in equestrian sports, did much riding in the period of 1910-13, participated in both army and amateur races, and won several cups as trophies.

FRANKLIN OSCAR SCHOEDINGER. The office of biography is not to give voice to a man's most modest estimate of himself and his accomplishments, but rather to leave upon the record the verdict establishing his character by the concensus of opinion on the part of his neighbors and fellow citizens. The life of Franklin Oscar Schoedinger, manufacturer, business man and representative citizen of Columbus, has been such as to elicit just praise from those who know

him best. He has been faithful in the discharge of his duties in all relations of life.

Mr. Schoedinger was born in the city where he still maintains his home, on September 7, 1872, a son of Philip J. and Caroline (Heverly) Schoedinger. The father was born in Germany, in 1825, and the mother in Pennsylvania, in 1833. Philip Schoedinger was five years old when his parents brought him to America in 1830, the family locating in Columbus, where he grew to manhood, attended the early schools and learned the cabinet maker's trade, later engaged in the manufacture of furniture, finally adding undertaking to his business, and still later he gave all of his attention to the undertaking business. He was one of the well known business men in the earlier years of the city's development. His death occurred in 1880. His widow survived to a ripe old age, passing away in 1914, at the age of eighty-one years.

F. Oscar Schoedinger grew to manhood in his native city, and here he received a good practical education in the public schools, but left high school before graduating, being ambitious to begin his business career, deciding not to wait for a diploma. In 1890 he established a small store, handling stoves and house furnishing goods, later branching out into different lines of manufacturing enterprise, gradually building up a large business with advancing years until today he is one of the most successful business men in Columbus. He established and is sole proprietor of the F. O. Schoedinger Company, manufacturers of sheet metal builders' material, metal window-frames and sash, steel ceilings, roofing, architectural sheet metal works, and distributors of tin plate and metals and everything pertaining to sheet metal workers' requirements. They have built up a vast trade, which has been growing rapidly from year to year under Mr. Schoedinger's able management, industry and perseverance. He is a director in the National Bank of Commerce; director in the Iroquois Hotel Company, which operates the Hotel Chittenden; president of the Board of Trustees of the Childrens Hospital; vice president of the Society for the Prevention and Cure of Tuberculosis; vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church; one of the organizers and a past president of the Ohio Club, which in later years was succeeded by the Columbus Athletic Club, of which he was a director; member of the Columbus Club, the Columbus Country Club, the Scioto Country Club and Columbus Rotary Club; was president of the Chamber of Commerce in 1907 and 1908, and is still very active in its work.

Mr. Schoedinger took a most active part in the raising of all war funds in Columbus, his patriotism and loyalty to the government and her institutions being unquestioned. In all the above named positions of trust he has discharged his duty promptly, ably and in a manner that has reflected much credit upon himself and to the satisfaction of all concerned. He takes as deep interest in public affairs as in his private business, and whatever he has turned his attention to has resulted in favorable returns. He has done as much, if not more, for the general welfare of the capital city during the past quarter of a century than any other one man, and the city owes him a debt of gratitude which it cannot repay.

Fraternally Mr. Schoedinger is a thirty-third degree Mason, is a past commander of Mount Vernon Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, and is a past grand commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Ohio. He married Alice G. Seibert, daughter of John Seibert, a well known and highly respected citizen of Columbus.

JERRY F. DOUD. The tendency of modern times is to place in authority men who have a practical knowledge of the work of their offices. The day has practically passed when public officials are elected simply because of political influence. Today the voter makes his own investigations, and is very apt to insist that the candidate must know absolutely what he is doing before he is entrusted with the expenditure of the taxpayers' money. In the chief plumbing inspector of the City of Cincinnati the people of this community have not only a practical plumber, but also a man whose experience in public office is a long one, and one whose zeal in behalf of the people is unquestioned. During the nine years he has served as chief plumbing inspector, Jerry F. Doud has given entire satisfaction and has considerably raised the standard for the plumbing in his city.

Jerry F. Doud was born at Cincinnati, August 31, 1875, a son of Patrick and Ellen (Nagel) Doud. Patrick Doud was born in Ireland, and when he left his native land he came alone to the United States, and, coming to Cincinnati in 1861, took up his residence on East Eighth Street. Although he was not an American by birth, Patrick Doud earned his right to be one by four years' service in the Union Army, where he displayed characteristic bravery. Upon his return to Cincinnati, following his honorable discharge from the army, he resumed work as a general laborer, and continued in this line until the close of his useful life in 1899. He was an honest, upright and conscientious man, with many warm personal friends among his associates. He and his wife had ten children born to them, and of them Jerry F. Doud was the fifth in order of birth.

Reared by careful parents, Jerry F. Doud was taught lessons of thrift and industry from childhood. His educational advantages were those of the parochial schools, but he is a close observer, and is ever adding to his store of knowledge. When only twelve years old he began his apprenticeship to the plumbing trade, which lasted for five years. For the succeeding seven years he worked as a journeyman plumber, and then became a foreman, and as such was employed on the principal buildings in course of erection at that time. In 1910 he was appointed deputy plumbing inspector in the department of building, City of Cincinnati, but after two years left the employ of the city to become foreman of the plumbing work on the General Hospital, which was then in process of erection. After eighteen months on this building Mr. Doud returned to the city as deputy plumbing inspector, and in 1915 was appointed to his present responsible position. Ever since he completed his apprenticeship he has been an active member of the Plumbers' Union, and served it for five terms as president. He is also an active member of the Cincinnati Council, Knights of Columbus, and is connected with various charitable movements. He was elected September 19, 1924, to represent the United Association of Journeymen Plumbers and Steamfitters to the American Society of American Engineering for four years, and is treasurer of the American Society of Sanitary Engineering, reelected recently for the seventh time. A lifelong republican, he gives the candidates of his party an earnest and heartfelt support.

Twenty-two years ago Mr. Doud was married to Miss Georgia Atchley, who is also a native of Cincinnati. Mr. and Mrs. Doud have one son, Donald, who was born in April, 1903. Both Mr. and Mrs. Doud are very popular, and their influence is exerted in behalf of those movements which make for good government and moral uplift.

ALFRED F. DECKEBACH, auditor of the City of Cincinnati, was born in the metropolis of Southern Ohio, and a large part of his active career has been

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devoted to the municipal service, his father likewise before him having been an honored official of Cincinnati for many years.

Mr. Deckebach was born at Cincinnati, November 15, 1887, son of George O. and Kate (Ampthauer) Deckebach, who were natives of Cincinnati, where his father was born June 20, 1849, and his mother, November 9, 1852. She is now seventy-two years of age. George O. Deckebach, who died April 8, 1920, is remembered as a citizen of splendid integrity and generous character, interested in all lines of welfare work and the development of his native city. He was deputy county recorder ten years, county recorder four years, deputy city auditor fifteen years, and secretary of the courthouse commission for seven years.

Alfred F. Deckebach is the youngest of a family of two daughters and two sons, all living, and was reared in Cincinnati, where he attended public schools. At the age of sixteen, on leaving school, he went to work as a clerk for the Kirchner Construction Company. This company then had the contract for building the Cincinnati Water Works at California, Ohio. He was with the firm four years, and then engaged in the contracting business for himself, building up and handling an important volume of business during the next three years. He then resumed his public service as general bookkeeper for the Cincinnati Water Works for four years, following which he was promoted to deputy auditor. He served four years in that capacity, and when Auditor George P. Carrel was elected mayor in 1921 Mr. Deckebach was appointed to fill out his unexpired term, and in 1923 was elected city auditor for the regular term of four years.

Mr. Deckebach is a member of the Cuvier Press Club and the Young Men's Blaine Club, and since early manhood has been actively affiliated with the republican party. He is a member of the Walnut Hills Lutheran Church.

John Cornelius Cardwell, Jr., of Cincinnati, is a banker by training and experience since early youth, having learned the principles under his father, and for a number of years was prominent in banking circles in Kentucky. Mr. Cardwell has especially interested himself in the cooperative movement, in which he is an ardent believer, and has been active in the organization and promotion of a number of labor banks and investment companies scattered throughout the country. He is now vice president of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks National Bank in Cincinnati.

He was born in Litchfield, Kentucky, November 27, 1891, son of John Cornelius and Mathilda L. Cardwell, his parents both natives of Kentucky and his mother of Scotch and his father of English ancestry. His paternal grandfather came from England in the early '40s and settled in Muhlenburg County, one of the far western counties of the State of Kentucky. He followed planting all his active career, and died in 1894. John C. Cardwell, Sr., the second in a family of five children, was educated in the schools of Kentucky, attending the Kentucky State College, and was for some years active in educational work, teaching for about eight years and for a time was superintendent of schools at Richmond, Kentucky.

He engaged in banking, and since 1907 his home has been in the City of Louisville. For a number of years he was secretary of the Kentucky Bankers' Association, and subsequently was vice president of the Citizens' National Bank and president of the Citizens' Union Fourth Street Bank in Louisville, a position he held until his retirement from active business in 1922. He is fifty-four years of age. Possessing strong religious inclinations, he has been a factor in the religious as well as the social and civic affairs of Louisville.

John C. Cardwell, Jr., is second in a family of four children and was educated in the high schools of Louisville and attended the Staunton Military Academy at Staunton, Virginia. While in high school he spent some of the hours after school sessions working in the bank under his father, and after completing his education went with the American Southern National Bank of Louisville, serving it in various clerical positions until 1917.

His war record was made as a private with the Thirteenth Regiment of Infantry, and he was in the service until November, 1918. Resuming his connection with banking, he was assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Greenville, Kentucky, and on returning to Louisville, went with the Citizens National Bank when the new institution opened in the shopping district of the city.

In the fall of 1920 Mr. Cardwell went to Cleveland as assistant cashier of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Cooperative National Bank, and served that pioneer labor cooperative banking institution three years as assistant cashier, assistant vice president and vice president. Then, in August, 1923, he came to Cincinnati to take charge of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks' National Bank as vice president. This Cincinnati institution was organized in the early part of 1923 by the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, who own the controlling interest. The bank was opened for business in December of the same year. The bank is operated along cooperative lines, sharing its profits with its savings depositors after dividends, not exceeding ten per cent in any one year, to the stockholders have been paid. Four per cent interest is paid on savings deposits. The bank also does a general commercial banking business. It is housed in the new building owned by the Brotherhood at Court and Vine streets. George S. Levi is president, Grover C. Milam is vice president and cashier, with Mr. Cardwell as vice president in active charge.

Mr. Cardwell since becoming a resident of Cincinnati has found time to devote to civic, social and religious affairs, and is very much of an outdoor man, his hobby being golf. He is a member of two of Cincinnati's clubs.

C. J. Miller is president of the Fremont Foundry Company, which stands representative one of the important industrial and commercial enterprises of the City of Fremont, Sandusky County, and which has developed one of the substantial manufacturing industries of its kind in Northern Ohio. The manufacturing plant of this company is noteworthy not so much for being one of extensive order, but rather for the exceptional excellence of its modern equipment and facilities and the high grade of its products.

Mr. Miller was born in Buffalo, New York, and was reared and educated in the City of Cleveland, and there served in his youth a practical apprenticeship in all phases of foundry work, in which he became a highly skilled artisan, besides developing marked mechanical and inventive ability. He has devoted his entire independent career to enterprise along this line, and his success has been of unqualified order. Prior to establishing his residence at Fremont, Mr. Miller had been for sixteen years identified with eminently successful foundry industries in Ohio, with well equipped plants at Medina and Chagrin Falls. He thus acquired a competency, and upon making an advantageous sale of these properties he was too young a man to entertain thought of retiring from business, even though his financial resources may have justified such procedure. He has been distinctly a man of productive activity, and has

no desire for supine ease, the result being that he soon found a field for continued activity. In 1920 he effected the organization of the Fremont Foundry Company, which acquired at Fremont a plant previously devoted to the manufacturing of stove castings, and in the rebuilding of this plant and the remodeling and equipping of the same for the uses to which it was to be applied about $60,000 was forthwith expended. The machinery and all accessories and incidental equipment are of the most modern type, electric power is utilized in all machine operations, and the establishment has a capacity for the output of 1,000 tons of casting a month. Here is retained a force of 150 skilled workmen, and under the able and progressive administration of Mr. Miller, president of the company, the industry has already become one of broad scope and importance, the enterprise having within a remarkably short time begun to render substantial dividends to stockholders, notwithstanding the general industrial and financial depression that came within a few months after the company was organized, its operations being based on a capital stock of $300,000. The principal products of this well ordered concern are castings required by manufacturers of automobiles, heating apparatus and oil pumps. As a practical mechanic of broad experience Mr. Miller has devised many valuable improvements along mechanical lines, and among the most important of his inventions is the "Humanitarian Air Blast" for the cleaning of castings, this having now become a standard appliance in foundries throughout the country. This splendid air blast mechanism has eliminated what had previously been a most unpleasing and unsanitary operation, as the operator had been compelled to be in close contact with his work and to breath the unhealthful dust which resulted. The Miller device enables the operator to do the work from an adjoining room and to avoid the dangerous inhalation of malignant dust and fumes.

Mr. Miller has proved himself distinctly one of the world's productive workers, and while he is to be classified as a successful captain of industry, he has ever maintained a high sense of civic loyalty and lived up to all responsibilities which success imposes. He is thus a liberal, progressive and public-spirited citizen upon whom Fremont places high estimate and valuation.

In 1901 Mr. Miller married Miss Josephine Effinger, of Independence, Ohio. Their children are: Myron J., born in 1903; Marion, born in 1909; and Caroline, born in 1913.

Louis Weiland. During recent years the matter of taxes of various kinds has assumed such pre-eminence and importance that a number of the leading lawyers and law firms have concentrated their practice upon this one subject, practically to the exclusion of others. While Louis Weiland, and the firm of which he is the senior member, Weiland, Strother & Weiland, have not confined themselve entirely to this branch of their profession, they have specialized largely in estate tax and income tax returns, this being due in part to the experience gained by Mr. Weiland while acting in the service of the United States Government in regard to these particulars.

Mr. Weiland was born April 2, 1886, at Cincinnati, and is a son of Samuel and Regina (Grossman) Weiland, the former a native of Poland and the latter of Hungary, who immigrated separately to Cincinnati in 1882, where they were married. Mr. Weiland's father engaged in the clothing business in a small way, and, being industrious, energetic and possessed of sound business ability, built up a successful enterprise, now the large clothing concern of the S. Weiland & Sons Company. He is still engaged actively in business affairs as president of this concern, and has a number of other interests.

The eldest in a family of six children, Louis Weiland, received his elementary education in the grade schools and the Woodward High School, and after graduating from the latter he embarked in the ladies' garment business, with which he was identified for seven years. In the meantime he had become interested in the profession of law, and eventually gave up the clothing business and became a student at the Young Men's Christian Association Law School at Cincinnati. He completed the course there in 1914, and, being admitted to the bar in the same year, began practice at once. On August 1, 1918, he was employed by the United States Government, treasury department, revenue agent service, on income tax and estate tax, being engaged in the verification of income tax and estate tax returns for the Government and giving advice to officials as to the law affecting those returns. Since leaving the Government, January 1, 1920, he has been a member of the firm of Weiland, Strother & Weiland, of which he is the senior member, his partners being John P. Strother and Fred Weiland, with offices at 315-316 Provident Bank Building. Through his law business Mr. Weiland has become identified with a number of other enterprises, and is now president of the Washington Finance Company, secretary of the Harry Guttman Company and a director of the S. Weiland & Sons Company, the Rotherand Cooperative Cloak Company and the Inter Valley Building and Loan Association. He is also a member of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce and of the Minute Men of that body, of the Cincinnati Bar Association and the Lawyers' Club of Cincinnati, and is secretary of the Avondale Synagogue. In politics he is a republican.

On March 21, 1915, Mr. Weiland was united in marriage with Miss Dora Levine, and they are the parents of three daughters. Mrs. Weiland, who is actively interested in civic and charitable affairs, was engaged in Red Cross work during the World war.

Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. The Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, perhaps the oldest commercial organization of its character in existence, was founded in 1839, and has since rendered a service to the city's business life worthy of the highest tribute.

The Chamber of Commerce was organized October 22, 1839, following a call for a meeting of merchants interested, which was published in the Cincinnati Daily Gazette on the 14th of that month. About that date some of the then leading business men of the city gathered in the hall of the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association. On October 29th at the election of officers to serve until regular annual meetings, Griffin Taylor was elected president.

At the regular annual meeting, held January 14, 1840, space was rented in the College Building, which then stood on the east side of Walnut Street, between Fourth and Fifth. The rental of $100 per annum was shared by the Mercantile Library Association of the Chamber of Commerce, which paid one-third.

In those days and times the Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade were the meeting place where trading and bartering were done. As time passed, only trading in hay and grain and commodities which required sampling was handled on the Cincinnati Exchange. The Chamber of Commerce and the Young Men's Library Association continued in the College Building until its destruction by fire in the winter of 1844-45. On the completion of the new College Building on Walnut Street both institutions moved

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there from the rooms temporarily occupied on Sycamore Street. The first meeting of the Chamber in the new hall was held July 23, 1846. When the growth of the library association required that it should have full occupancy of the space used by the Chamber, the latter organization, in July, 1851, leased a large room on the east half of the building, occupying it until October 20, 1869, when the structure was destroyed by fire. From then until 1887 the Chamber of Commerce occupied space at different locations, including Hopkins' Hall, the Smith and Nixon Hall and Pike's Opera House.

In December, 1881, the Chamber of Commerce had twelve hundred members, divided without distinction among corporations, firms and individuals. On that date Henry C. Urner, then president, submitted a plan for the reorganization of the membership, which provided for individual memberships only.

In 1887, after discussion had extended over several years, the decision was reached that the Chamber of Commerce should have its own building. Committees were accordingly appointed and after their work extended over a number of years purchase was made of the property located at the southwest corner of Fourth and Vine streets, then owned by the United States Government and occupied by the postoffice. The purchase price was $100,000. Following a nation-wide contest H. H. Richardson, the famous architect of the day, was selected to draw plans for the building, and upon its completion in 1889 it was pronounced one of the handsomest structures in the United States. It remained the pride and admiration of all Cincinnatians and was generally acknowledged one of the most beautiful and impressive edifices in the country until its destruction by fire January 10, 1911. The ruins were cleared away to make room for the present magnificent skyscraper of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, and the Chamber of Commerce, following its completion, occupied the second and third floors until November, 1922, when temporary quarters were taken in the Herschede Building on Fourth Street, pending the purchase of property and the building of a new home for the Chamber of Commerce.

The Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce has played a leading role at all times since its organization in the development, growth and expansion of Cincinnati. A fact of general interest is that the United States Weather Bureau was established primarily through the efforts of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. In 1869 the Chamber provided for the securing of weather reports by telegraph from surrounding cities, and in 1870 the Chamber appropriated $600 and appointed Professor Abbe of the Cincinnati Observatory to work with the Western Union Telegraph Company for the publication of a daily weather bulletin extending over a period of three months. Professor Abbe, with the information received, issued a daily system of weather charts containing reports dealing with barometrical conditions from leading points throughout the country. Through its representatives in Congress the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce eventually prevailed upon the Government to take over this important work, and from it grew the present United States Weather Bureau.

This organization has played an equally active part in other projects of national scope. Through its influence organization was brought about of the interests of the Ohio Valley and those interests as a unit succeeded in prevailing upon Congress to make the necessary appropriations for the locking and damming of the Ohio River to provide a 9-foot stage the year around.

The Cincinnati Southern Railroad, municipally owned and 339 miles in length, extending between Cincinnati and Chattanooga, was financed and built largely through the efforts of the Chamber.

The Atlantic-Pacific and Dixie Highways were routed by way of Cincinnati due to its efforts, and many other projects of a local or sectional nature, making for the city's advancement along civic, commercial and industrial lines, were either conceived by the Chamber or their culmination brought about through its efforts.

EDWIN RUSSELL RAYMOND. One of the most important developments in agriculture has been the establishment and maintenance of a farm bureau for the different counties of the various states, for through its medium, and the advice of the experts placed in charge, the farmer learns scientific farming and stock-raising, and is advised as to the best methods of meeting his problems successfully. Some of the most capable men of the times find in this work congenial occupation, and to their interest and enthusiasm the farmer of today owes much. One of these men of Ohio who is rendering a very valuable service in this connection is Edwin Russell Raymond, county agent of Licking County.

Edwin Russell Raymond was born at Evansville, Indiana, March 27, 1896, a son of Frank J. and Hattie Bell (George) Raymond. After attending the Evansville Public schools through the high school, Mr. Raymond entered the Ohio State University, and was graduated therefrom with the Bachelor of Science Agricultural degree. For the succeeding years he has been occupied with agricultural extension service, with the Ohio State University. Prior to coming to Licking County, he was for three years, extension agent of Athens County, Ohio.

On May 18, 1918, Mr. Raymond entered the Fourth Officers' Training Camp, Camp Custer, Michigan, but was transferred to Camp Lee, Virginia, where he was commissioned second lieutenant. In October he was attached to the Ninety-eighth Division at Camp McClellan, Alabama, and received his honorable discharge December 9, 1918.

On October 16, 1920, Mr. Raymond was married at Logan, Ohio, to Margaret Walker Harrington, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert R. Harrington, the former president of the First National Bank, of Logan, Ohio. Mrs. Raymond is a graduate of the Ohio State University, and a member of Phi Mu Sorority. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond have three children: Robert Franklin, John Walker and Richard Harrington Raymond. Mr. Raymond belongs to the Masonic order, Delta Theta Sigma of the Ohio State University, and the honorary military fraternity, Scabbard & Blade, of the same university. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian. Embued with a high sense of personal responsibility, and with a thorough comprehension of his work, Mr. Raymond is making a record as county agent, and deserves the high esteem in which he is held by all with whom he is brought into contact.

DAVID LORBACH. Identified with the profession of law at Cincinnati, David Lorbach has won recognition of his sterling ability, and as a general practitioner has built up a representative clientele in a city noted for its able attorneys. He has devoted his entire career to the profession of his choice, never allowing other interests to entice him from his calling, and his connection with many of the leading and prominent cases of the day attest to the thoroughness of his training and the scope of his experience.

Mr. Lorbach was born April 5, 1882, at Waverly, Pike County, Ohio, and is a son of David and Emily (Grosse) Lorbach, natives of the same county. His father, reared in Pike County, engaged in farming in young manhood, and at one time moved to Illinois,

where he spent several years in agricultural pursuits, but eventually moved back to Waverly, where his death occurred March 18, 1910. Mr. Lorbach was of German descent, while Mrs. Lorbach was of Saxon ancestry. For a time after his return to Waverly the elder David Lorbach was engaged in the insurance business, and also had various other interests. A staunch democrat in his political views, he maintained a strong influence in the ranks of the party organization in his community, and at the time of his death was serving the Village of Waverly in the capacity of mayor. In religion he was an active member of the German Lutheran Church. Of the nine children born to himself and wife five still survive.

David Lorbach, the younger, was the sixth child in order of birth of his parents' children, and as a lad attended the public schools of Waverly. He then enrolled as a student at the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1904, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and during the winter of 1904 and the spring of 1905 was a teacher in the high school at Waverly. Next Mr. Lorbach entered the Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, class of 1908. Admitted to the bar during the same year, he at once commenced practice in a law office at Waverly, but at the end of six or eight months deemed that Cincinnati offered larger opportunities for the development of his ability and the achievement of success, and accordingly came to the city and in March, 1909, associated himself with the prominent legal firm of Harper, Allen & Curts. As before noted, Mr. Lorbach is now in the enjoyment of a large and profitable professional business, and is occupying a high place among Cincinnati's lawyers of reliability and capacity. His offices are located at 1306 First National Bank Building. Mr. Lorbach is a member of McMillan Lodge, and has attained to Scottish Rite Masonry, being also a member of Syrian Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Business Men's Club of Cincinnati. As a lad he became a member of the German Evangelical Church at Waverly, and has never changed his membership from that church.

Mr. Lorbach was united in marriage with Miss Grace Vallery, who was born at Waverly, where she was reared and educated, and they are the parents of two children: Richard, who was born in 1914, and Anne Vallery, born in 1917.

Judge Samuel Walter Bell, presiding judge of the Municipal Court of Cincinnati, is a man of distinction in that city not only on account of the volume of useful work he has done, but because of the individual will and determination that have enabled him to triumph over unusual obstacles and handicaps in making himself a man of usefulness.

Judge Bell was born in Cincinnati, June 25, 1870, oldest of five children of Samuel Walter and Mary Alice (Logan) Bell. His father, a native of Philadelphia, was brought to Cincinnati in early boyhood, learned the trade of steam pipefitter, and subsequently was a real estate agent, and for many years was employed in municipal and county offices, being superintendent of the infirmary in 1878-79, and subsequently examiner of titles for the Street Railway Company, and later in the city engineer's office in the sidewalk department, becoming sidewalk notice clerk and sidewalk inspector's clerk. During the Civil war he served as deputy in the county auditor's office under his brother, John E. Bell. He was an influential worker in the democratic party. He was never affiliated with any church. His death occurred May 17, 1899.

Judge Bell grew up in Cincinnati, attending the Eighth District School, the Hartwell Public School, the Carthage Public School, the Ohio Mechanics Institute and the McDonald Institute of the Young Men's Christian Association. On finishing his public school course he became an apprentice in the Blymyer Machine Company's plant, and worked as a journeyman machinist until June 8, 1891.

In the meantime, during the Harrison-Morton campaign of 1888, from which he dates his active affiliation with the republican party, he was the victim of an accident caused by the premature explosion of gun powder on November 1st of that year, and after fifty-four weeks under the care of Dr. Christian R. Holmes, was discharged with a ninety-five per cent vision, which, however, diminished in 1894, when the left eye was removed and the loss of the sight of the right eye occurred February 2, 1908.

In September, 1891, he opened a book store at 809 Central Avenue, selling out to his father in April, 1894, but remaining as a clerk in the store until it was closed out by the administratrix of his father's estate on January 31, 1900. In the meantime he had completed his law course, was admitted to the bar June 8, 1899, and was engaged in practice to some extent while closing out the book business. He then opened his own office on Main Street, at what was then the Lincoln Inn Court, now the Southern Ohio Bank Building, and still maintains a private office.

His public service has been one of much variety. He was a member of the Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, was trustee and officer of the Carthage Library Association, beginning April 16, 1900; solicitor for the Village of Carthage, and part of the time for Millcreek Township, and was justice of the peace in Millcreek Township from July 5 to November 28, 1905, and from February 1, 1909, to the annexation of the Village of Carthage on July 10, 1911, and thereafter served as justice of the peace for Cincinnati Township. On January 1, 1914, he became a justice of the Municipal Court, and since 1916 has been presiding judge of that court in Cincinnati.

Judge Bell served as assistant secretary of the Hamilton County Agricultural Society for fifteen years, under D. L. Sampson. He was a member of the Young Men's Blaine Club for twenty-five years, and other party affiliations have been with the West End Republican Club, Third Ward Republican Club, South Cincinnati Republican Club, North Cincinnati Republican Club and the Fairview Heights Republican Club. Mr. Bell has been a prominent worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church of Carthage since August 24, 1884, and has filled nearly every official position in the church, being for twenty-three years a member of the Official Board and connected with the Sunday school and Epworth League. He is a member of the Hamilton County, Ohio State and American Bar associations and the Cincinnati Lawyers' Club.

His fraternal affiliations are with the Iolanthe Lodge No. 385, Knights of Pythias, Guiding Star Council No. 133, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Fulton Lodge No. 83, Daughters of America, Cincinnati Aerie No. 142, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Lodge No. 811, Loyal Order of Moose, Tippecanoe Tribe No. 5, Improved Order of Red Men, Ulalah Council, Daughters of Pocahontas, Naomi Court No. 133, Tribe of Ben Hur, Carroll Council No. 1473, Royal Arcanum, Court Carthage of the Independent Order of Foresters and the Patriotic Sons of America.

Judge Bell married Matilda Snyder Custer at Carthage on October 15, 1903. They have one daughter, Ida Mae, a student in the Hughes High School.

Andrew L. Herrlinger, of Cincinnati, is one of those who has found in his profession of the law a congenial calling and one for which he is peculiarly

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fitted. To those who know him it is not imaginable that he could have ever been anything else than a lawyer. But his mental qualities are such that he might have had success in almost any vocation, yet in no other profession or business could it be imagined that he would have been so well adapted. During a long and useful career he has not only held a leading position among Cincinnati and Hamilton legists, but has likewise found the opportunity to aid greatly the cause of education, of which he has been a constant and unfailing friend.

Mr. Herrlinger was born at Cincinnati, January 18, 1862, and is a son of Andrew and Mary Herrlinger. His father, who was born in Germany, immigrated to the United States in young manhood and settled at Cincinnati, where he continued to make his home until his death in 1916. During his lifetime he was identified with numerous pursuits and enterprises, in all of which he proved unusually effective. During the latter years of his life he became manager and controlling agent of the principal type foundry of Cincinnati, located at the corner of Opera Place and Vine Street, the present site of the Havlin Hotel, with the responsibilities of which position he was occupied, night and day, up to the time of his death. Of his four sons and three daughters all survive, Andrew L. being the eldest.

Andrew L. Herrlinger attended the public schools of Cincinnati, including the Woodward High School, where he graduated with the highest honors of his class. He then entered Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, where he again took the highest honors and received the degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts. He was then engaged in educational work at Kenyon College, having been selected to assist the faculty, and also was similarly employed at Kenyon Military Academy, in the meanwhile spending such time as he could spare in the study of law under the preceptorship of Judge Greer, whose office was located at Mount Vernon, Ohio, twelve miles distant. Mr. Herrlinger eventually was admitted to the bar after successfully passing the examination at Columbus, and at this time returned to his home city of Cincinnati, where he found awaiting him the practice of a lawyer who had formerly been the principal of one of the public schools, and who was expected to be at the point of death. At the death of this professor, Mr. Herrlinger took over his practice, which he has since developed into a large and constantly growing clientele. His record as a legist speaks for itself and shows him to be an able, astute and thoroughly informed member of his profession, in the principles of which he is soundly grounded and in the application of which he is forcible, shrewd and energetic.

Mr. Herrlinger has been interested in civic affairs, and particularly in educational work, for which he has never received nor asked for compensation. For a number of years he was elected to the Board of of Education of Cincinnati, without opposition, and for many years served as president of that body. As a delegate thereof he became president of the Board of Library Trustees, of which a fellow member was the Hon. Charles P. Taft, with whom Mr. Herrlinger always worked in the greatest harmony. In political matters Mr. Herrlinger is a republican, and is active in the interests of his party. His religious connection is with the Protestant faith. He belongs to Kilwinning Lodge, Cincinnati Chapter No. 2, Cincinnati Commandery No. 3, the Scottish Rite and the Shrine of Masonry; the Elks, and the Odd Fellows; the Delta Tau Delta fraternity; and is a life member of the Cincinnati Gymnasium.

HAROLD ROBINS NEELAND, M. D. A competent physician and surgeon at Cambridge, Doctor Neeland was born in Guernsey County, and is one of the prominent younger professional men of that section of Ohio. He was in service with the Army Medical Corps during most of the World war period.

Doctor Neeland was born April 2, 1890, in the community then known as Hartford, now Buffalo, Guernsey County. His parents were Elijah and Jessie F. (Robins) Neeland. His mother's father, Peter D. Robins, was a son of parents who were among the original settlers in Guernsey County, Ohio, in 1807, coming from the Isle of Guernsey. The paternal grandfather of Doctor Neeland was James Neeland, who came from Tyrone, Ireland, at the age of twenty-one, and in 1841 settled at Cambridge, where he followed his trade as a blacksmith. In 1844 he moved to Claysville. He died August 24, 1900. He married at Cambridge, Miss Marinda Galloway, whose parents were also pioneers of Guernsey County.

Elijah Neeland, who was born at Claysville, Ohio, June 20, 1854, learned the blacksmith's trade, and followed it in Claysville, and in 1879 moved to Hartford. He conducted a blacksmith shop there until 1909, when he retired. The following year he platted twenty-six acres of land into town lots and handled the sale of this property. In 1917 he retired to live in Cambridge, where he takes an active interest in local politics, and is a member of the Masonic Order and the Lutheran Church.

Harold Robins Neeland, only child of his parents, is a graduate of the Cambridge High School. In 1913 he received his Doctor of Medicine degree from the Starling, now the Medical Department of Ohio State University. While in the university he became a Phi Rho Sigma. Following his graduation Doctor Neeland practiced three years in Ohio, and in 1916 took charge of the Industrial Hospital for the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company at Akron. In August, 1917, he was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and in March, 1918, was called to active duty. being one of the medical officers assigned to the Industrial Hospital at the Edgewood Arsenal in Maryland. He remained there until his honorable discharge on January 20, 1919.

On February 10, 1919, Doctor Neeland engaged in the general practice of medicine and surgery at Cambridge. He was vice president in 1923 of the Guernsey County Medical Society and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. He belongs to the American Legion, the Lutheran Church, and is affiliated with the Lodge of Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter, and the Scottish Rite Lodge of Perfection. His recreation is largely motoring.

At Cambridge, Ohio, July 29, 1911, still a student in the medical college, Doctor Neeland married Miss Ada Mustard. She was born in Guernsey County, daughter of the late John Mustard, a farmer. Doctor and Mrs. Neeland have two children, Margaret and James Wallace.

LUCIUS WARNER PRICHARD, M. D. With an experience covering thirty years in his profession, Doctor Prichard is one of the honored physicians and surgeons of Ravenna, Portage County, and his individual career adds further distinction to one of the pioneer families of this section.

He was born at the old Prichard farm two miles from Garrettsville, October 19, 1864, son of George and Emily (Bosworth) Prichard, both natives of Ohio and of New England stock. His paternal grandfather, John Prichard, was born at Torrington, Massachusetts, and was an early settler in Portage County, Ohio, locating there before 1823 and acquiring land from the Connecticut Land Company. Through his mother Doctor Prichard is a descendant of Daniel Bosworth, a soldier of the Revolution, who was born at Great Barrington, Connecticut, and

also came to the Western Reserve of Ohio. Among the children of John Prichard were: John; George; Erastus; Cordelia, who married Henry Tolcott, the first assistant food inspector of the State of Ohio; and Eliza, who married A. Snow, who was successor of Brigham Young as a leader of the Mormon Church. In this family it may be noted that Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tolcott had five sons, all of whom graduated from Mount Union College, and three of them from Yale College. The oldest of them, the late John Tolcott, was an attorney, with offices in the Society for Savings Building, Cleveland. Another, Albert, was also an attorney, and for many years had charge of the general tax department of the Erie Railroad.

George Prichard, father of Doctor Prichard, was born in Nelson Township of Portage County. He was a cousin of Col. P. B. Pritchard, who spelled his name slightly differently. Colonel Pritchard was also born in Nelson Township, and in the Civil war became captain in the Fourth Michigan Cavalry and was commanding officer of that regiment at the close of the war and commanded the party which effected the capture of Jefferson Davis while fleeing South. George Prichard and wife were married near Garrettsville, and subsequently he bought out the heirs of the original homestead and spent his entire life in that community, where he died at the age of eighty-eight. His wife died at the age of seventy-eight. They had three children, one of whom died in infancy. The daughter, Cordelia, is the wife of Robert H. Crevoise, formerly a business man at Canton, now living on the old Prichard homestead.

Lucius Warner Prichard spent a happy boyhood at the old farm, learning manual labor as well as his lessons in the local public schools. He went to school at Garrettsville, walking two miles back and forth each day, and through a period of more than three years he was never absent or tardy. He graduated from the Garrettsville High School in 1884, and subsequently entered Hiram College, from which he received the Master of Philosophy degree in 1890. He studied medicine in the medical department of Wooster University, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1892, and for two years he was also a medical student in Western Reserve University at Cleveland. At various times he has taken post-graduate courses, and kept in touch with the advances made in medicine and surgery. For a year or so Doctor Prichard practiced at West Farmington in Trumbull County, but since December, 1896, has been located at Ravenna.

October 19, 1894, Doctor Prichard married Miss Bertha Young, who was born at Hartman in Geauga County, Ohio, daughter of George and Sarah (Shepler) Young, natives of Pennsylvania. The oldest child of Doctor and Mrs. Prichard is Sarah Irene, born November 16, 1895, is a graduate of John Hopkins University and Nurses' Training School and graduated from Oberlin in 1924, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Llewellyn Willard, who married Loretta Wiat, was a student in the Staunton Military Academy in Virginia when the World war came on, became a private in the Four Hundred and Eighty-second Motor Truck Battalion, and was in service eighteen months, being discharged with the rank of sergeant. The third child, Charles Bosworth, is a student of Oberlin College. John Hubert died when fourteen months old. Hilda Louise is a junior in the Ravenna High School, and Georgia, the youngest child, is attending the grade schools. Doctor Prichard and family are members of the Congregational Church.

On November 19, 1917, Doctor Prichard received his commission as captain in the Medical Reserve Corps, and on May 3, 1918, was called to duty at the port of embarkation at Hoboken, New Jersey, and was in service there until discharged, January 16, 1919. Doctor Prichard was a member of the Ohio National Guards, with a company at Ravenna, in 1898, during the Spanish American war, and subsequently he served as medical examiner of the Ohio National Guard until 1903. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, is past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias and a member of the Uniformed Rank of that order, belongs to the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Modern Woodmen of America, the Royal Arcanum and the Knights of Malta. Professionally his affiliations are with the Portage County, the Ohio State and the American Medical associations.

SETH B. SLOAN is active head and manager of one of the leading undertaking firms of Portage County, and is also an honored veteran of the World war.

Mr. Sloan was born at Freedom Station in Portage County, October 3, 1896, only child of Seth L. and Agnes (McGill) Sloan. His father was born in Trumbull County, Ohio, and his mother in Portage County. His father for many years carried on a successful practice at Ravenna, where his address is 309 Elm Street.

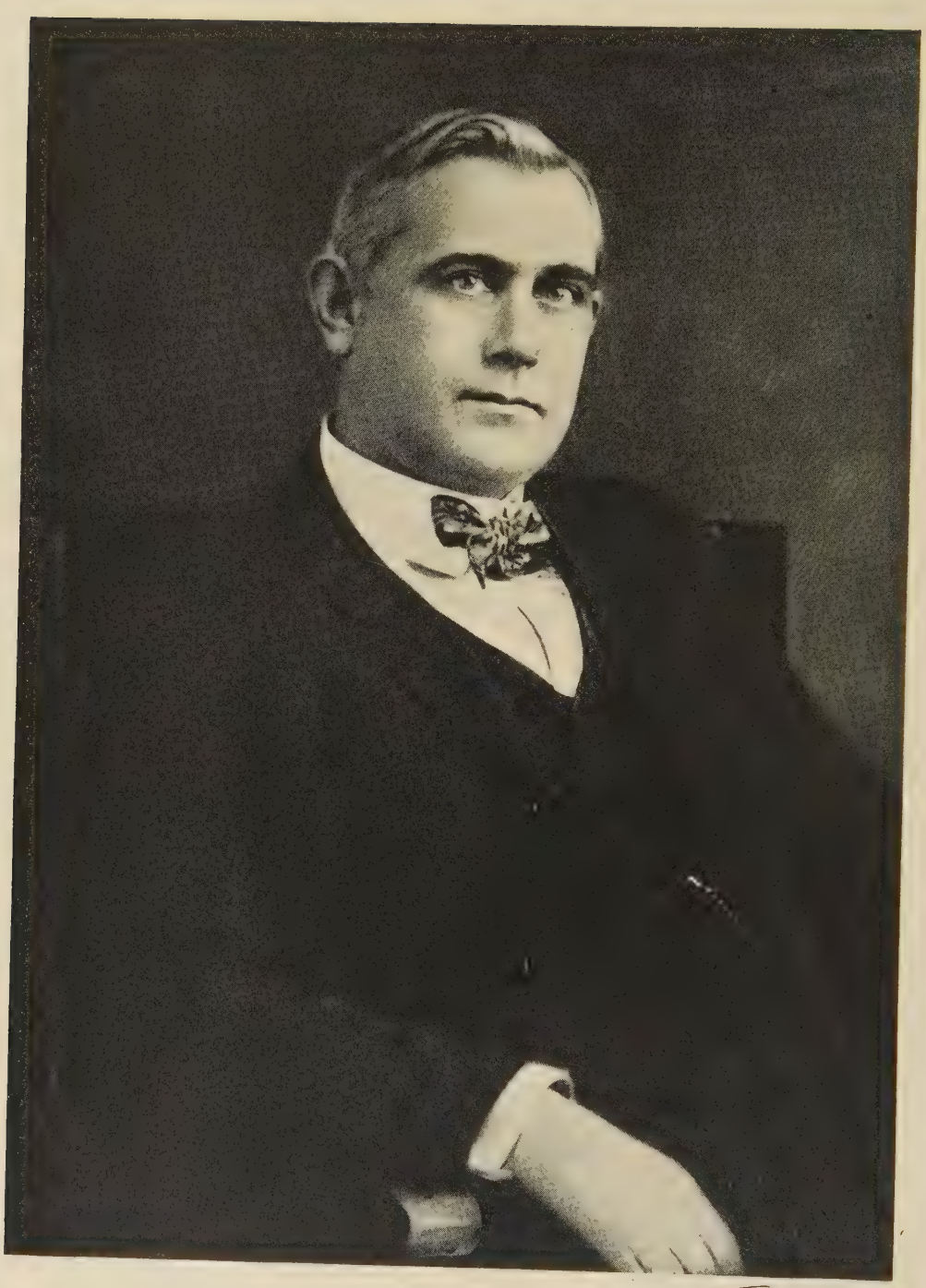
Seth B. Sloan was educated in the public schools at Freedom, and in 1915 graduated from the Ravenna High School. Soon afterward he entered Eckels College of Embalming at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, completing a course and receiving a diploma. He was granted a state license as an enbalmer in December, 1916. As an enbalmer he was in the employ of Harry A. Thompson at Ravenna until August 15, 1918, when his active duty as a soldier began.

Mr. Sloan was first sent to Columbus Barracks, was transferred to Company G of the Sixty-eighth Infantry, and soon afterward to Company B of the Twenty-fifth Machine Gun Battalion. After two months there he was put in the medical detachment and was at Camp Sheridan, Alabama, until discharged in February, 1919. On his return to Ravenna Mr. Sloan engaged in the undertaking business for himself. He is an expert in his line, and has all the facilities for high class service as a funeral director, including invalid car, ambulance and hearse. He is a member of the Ohio State and National Funeral Directors Association.

On October 3, 1922, Mr. Sloan married Miss Myrtle Payne, a native of Aurora, Ohio, and daughter of Joseph C. and Dora (Plum) Payne, natives of Portage County. Mr. and Mrs. Sloan have one son, Robert Paul, born September 9, 1923. They are members of the Congregational Church. In politics he votes independently, and is affiliated with Unity Lodge No. 12, Free and Accepted Masons, Tyrian Chapter No. 91, Royal Arch Masons, Akron Council No. 80, Royal and Select Masters, and Ravenna Lodge No. 1076, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a trustee of Post No. 331 of the American Legion.

JOHN EDWARD HOPLEY, of Bucyrus, is one of Ohio's veteran editors and publishers, has been a leader in state politics and his associations with prominent men and his extensive travels make him one of the accomplished and most interesting men of his generation.

He represents an old Ohio family, but was born while his parents, John Prat and Georgianna (Rochester) Hopley, were living near Elkton, Todd County, Kentucky. His birth occurred August 25, 1850. His father was highly educated, and Mr. Hopley inherits his father's library, containing many volumes and documents that have been in the possession of the family for several hundred years. He also has his father's noted collection of autograph



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letters, including letters from every republican president beginning with Lincoln. A few years after his birth the family returned to Ohio, first to Logan, Hocking County, and in 1856 settled at Bucyrus. His father was superintendent of schools both at Bucyrus and at Logan.

When John Edward Hopley was eleven months old his mother, writing to a sister, made the following prophetic comment: "John Eddie has eyes as blue as the sky and as bright as the stars; he likes to play with books and is only quiet when looking at pictures." His love of books has been, in fact, the most steadfast interest of his long life. He was educated in the public schools of Bucyrus until the fall of 1867. At that time his father bought the Bucyrus Journal. The son immediately transferred himself to the broader school of a printing office, learned printing and newspaper work, and also studied law under Hon. Jacob Scroggs. He was admitted to the bar in 1876. For several years Mr. Hopley was employed in the printing business at New York. From 1883 he was associated with his father on the Bucyrus Journal, and on October 17, 1887, he established The Bucyrus Evening Telegraph.

Mr. Hopley became interested in politics while a boy, and ably assisted his father in some of the republican party campaigns of that time. He became one of the organizers of the League of Republican Clubs in the state and also of the Associated Ohio Dailies. He served as a member of the State Central Committee from 1894 to 1896, and in 1894 managed the campaign which sent Hon. S. R. Harris to Congress, and for two years he was at Washington acting as private secretary to the congressman. He had charge of the campaign of 1895 resulting in the nomination of Frank S. Monnette for attorney-general. During 1897, in the interest of the election of M. A. Hanna to the United States Senate, he visited every close legislative district in the state.

Under the appointment from President McKinley Mr. Hopley went to England in 1898 as consul to Southampton. Later he served from 1903 to 1905 as American consul at Montevideo, South America. While in the consular service he crossed the ocean fifteen times and accepted the opportunity for extensive travel and study in a number of European countries. His first consular commission was signed by William McKinley and its acceptance signed "Victoria R."

Mr. Hopley's parents both died in 1904. In 1905 he returned to Bucyrus to succeed his father as president of the Hopley Printing Company, and since then has been editor of the Journal and Telegraph.

Mr. Hopley was elector at large on the republican ticket in 1912. He began in 1911 and completed in 1912 a comprehensive history of Crawford County. Since 1913 one of Mr. Hopley's leading interests has been good roads. When the Lincoln Highway was promulgated he was elected head of that organization in Ohio, and did much to promote its building through the state. In the presidential campaign of 1920 he was president of the Harding for President Newspaper Association, and during the campaign, when the editors met at Marion, he delivered the address of the association to Senator Harding. By a singular coincidence just twenty-four years previously his father, John Hopley, had been selected to deliver the address when the Ohio editors called on Governor McKinley in Canton in the campaign of 1896.

Mr. Hopley is a charter member of the Northwestern Ohio Historical Society. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Eastern Star and the White Shrine of Jerusalem, and was the first exalted ruler of Bucyrus Lodge of Elks. In 1922 the Bucyrus Lodge of Masons tendered him a banquet in honor of his fiftieth anniversary as a Mason. Many of his Masonic friends were present from other lodges, and he also received personal letters of congratulations from Warren G. Harding, president of the United States, and William H. Taft, chief justice of the United States. Mr. Hopley has never married. He has lived at the old homestead at Bucyrus for sixty-five years. He values friends above money, and his wealth is in his friendships.

William Newton Bradford, M. D. To the heavy routine of a practicing physician and surgeon Dr. William Newton Bradford has given his earnest energies at Cambridge for nearly thirty years. Doctor Bradford started life without special advantages, and had to depend upon himself for his higher education and advancement in his profession.

He was born in Highland Township, Muskingum County, Ohio, February 14, 1867. He, his father and grandfather were all born on the same farm. His great-grandfather, John Bradford, came from Virginia to Ohio in 1804, and entered a section of Government land in Muskingum County when that region had a larger Indian than white population. The grandfather of Doctor Bradford also bore the name of John. The father, Harvey Newton Bradford, was born in 1844, spent his active career as a farmer, and died at Cambridge in August, 1903. He was a Methodist, and a democrat in politics. His wife, Eliza Jane Noble, came with her parents from Ireland, first to Montreal, Canada, and then to Muskingum County, in 1848. Her father was a shoemaker at Norwich and at Adamsville. Mrs. Eliza Jane Bradford died May 30, 1887, when forty-three years of age.

Third in a family of eight children, William Newton Bradford grew up on the farm, attended the common schools, and from the age of fourteen was on his own resources. In the intervals of farm work at monthly wages he paid the expenses of student advantages at McKorkle College in Muskingum County. He obtained a teacher's certificate, but never used it for teaching. For two years he engaged in farming in Muskingum County. He first studied medicine with his cousin, Dr. Ira J. Bradford, at Otsego, Ohio, and also spent a year in the Columbus Medical College, and finished his course in the University of Louisville in 1893. In the meantime he had married, and when he graduated he engaged in practice in Indian Camp in Guernsey County, but since 1896 his professional work has been in Cambridge and vicinity. He did special post-graduate work in the University of Louisville in 1904, and has kept in close touch with the advanced progress of medicine and surgery through reading and attending medical conventions and clinics.

At the same time he has been deeply interested in every cause for the advancement of his community. He was elected on the democratic ticket as mayor of Cambridge in 1906 and again in 1907, this being a distinctive honor, since Cambridge is a republican town. He rendered splendid service during his two administrations. He has served on the County Central and County Executive Committee of the democratic party, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His recreation from the busy routine of medical practice is usually a fishing and hunting trip. He has been president of the County Medical Society, and is a member of the Eighth District, the Ohio State and American Medical associations. During the World war he was secretary and medical member of the Southern Ohio District Draft Board for District No. 1. He is affiliated with Cambridge Lodge No. 66, Free and Accepted Masons; Cambridge Chapter No. 53, Royal Arch Masons; Cambridge Commandery of the Knights Templar, Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and also belongs to Cambridge

Lodge No. 301, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Cambridge Encampment No. 150 of the same order, and is a charter member of Cambridge Lodge No. 448, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a director of the Cambridge Loan and Building Association.

Doctor Bradford married, January 1, 1891, Mary L. Hutcheson, of Guernsey County. His second wife was Mrs. Carrie Scott Stewart. By his first marriage he has one daughter, Mrs. Winona J. Sheehan, and a granddaughter, Jane Sheehan.

COLONEL EDWARD ANDREW DEEDS. Any account or summary of the career of Edward Andrew Deeds of Dayton reveals as a dominant characteristic a certain forcefulness and power in the man, a rare ability to do things himself and get things done in a large and important way. Several of the business institutions most commonly associated with Dayton as their home reflect in their prosperity some of the individual achievements of Colonel Deeds. His work has been impressed on The National Cash Register Company, on the Delco and the Delco-Light Company, on the great flood conservation project in the Miami valley, on Dayton's contribution to the winning of the World war, and on a great number of the lesser institutions and movements in the community.

While the environment of his early life presented him with perhaps better than ordinary advantages, he has been since leaving college entirely responsible for his progress and success. Born at Granville, Licking County, March 12, 1874, son of Charles and Susan (Green) Deeds, he acquired his education in public schools, in Denison University at Granville, which awarded him the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1897, and in Cornell University, which he attended one year. As a partial training for a career requiring technical and expert ability, he was fortunate in his early associations with the Thresher Electric Company of Dayton.

Then in 1900 he joined The National Cash Register Company as electrical engineer, installing the power house and equipping the entire plant electrically. In 1902 the Shredded Wheat Company of Niagara Falls secured his services, his capacity for work and getting things done making him a valued member of the personnel of the company. For two years he was busy with the planning and equipping of the great plant which has been one of the showplaces for the tourists at the falls ever since.

In 1904 he was induced to return to The National Cash Register Company, which offered a broader field of opportunity, one that appealed to his imagination. As vice president in charge of engineering and production he directed its affairs through some of the most eventful years in the company's history, while the business of the company was being taken to literally the four corners of the earth. During the ten years he remained in the company it came to the high tide of its business prosperity. Part of the time he was assistant general manager of the corporation.

Since 1914 his time has been bestowed upon an extended program of constructive, executive and manufacturing enterprises. He left The National Cash Register Company to give more of his time to the growing business of The Dayton Engineering Laboratory Company (Delco), in which C. F. Kettering was his chief associate. Colonel Deeds and Mr. Kettering were founders of both The Dayton Engineering Laboratories (Delco) and the Domestic Engineering Company, which latter company became the Delco-Light Company. They handled the sale of the Delco interests to the United Motors Company in 1916, and the Delco-Light Company to the General Motors Corporation in 1919, this corporation having taken over the United Motors Corporation. He has also been president of The Smith Gas Engineering Company, The Domestic Building Company and The Moraine Development Company. He has extensive interests in the sugar industry of Cuba.

In the field of public service he has probably been associated with no movement that has afforded him more satisfaction and honor than the flood prevention project designed to prevent the recurrence of such a disaster as the great flood of 1913. He has served as president of The Miami Conservancy District, the organization created by act of the Ohio Legislature, and which handled the $32,000,000 project comprising five dams, channel improvements and other engineering work.

When the nation entered the World war and called the roll and organized its foremost men of finance, industry and technical ability, one of those who went to Washington from Dayton was Mr. Deeds, first as a member of the Munitions Standards Board, and then as a member of the Aircraft Production Board with the rank of colonel. His experience in organization brought him many opportunities for useful service, and he deserves special credit for what was done in supplying the fighting forces with aerial equipment, credit with appropriate praise which was bestowed upon him in generous measure by his superiors. One fact of his war service that is not likely to be forgotten soon is that it was Colonel Deeds who selected Col. J. C. Vincent and Col. E. J. Hall to design the Liberty Motor.

The many organizations that claim his membership and some of his interest and cooperation include the following: Army and Navy Air Service Association; Military Training Camps Association; American Officers of the Great War; American Legion; Society of Automotive Engineers; American Society of Mechanical Engineers, of which he is vice president; Ohio Society of New York; Auto Club of America; Hamilton Country Club; Engineers' Clubs of Dayton and New York; Detroit and Columbus Athletic Clubs; Army and Navy, and Congressional Club at Washington; Miami Valley Hunt and Polo and Miami Valley Golf clubs of Dayton; the Los Angeles, Dayton, Springfield and Havana Country clubs; Rotary and City clubs at Dayton; the Bankers' Club and Aero Club of New York; the Beta Theta Pi, Knights of Pythias and Masonic orders. He holds the supreme honorary thirty-third degree in Scottish Rite Masonry.

Colonel Deeds is a trustee of Denison University, his alma mater. His interest in education has led him into association with other Dayton men in establishing and fostering that unique school, which has been described so many times in the newspapers and magazines, the Moraine Park School. His home is at the Moraine Farm, and his office is the Mutual Home Building in Dayton. He is an independent republican and a member of the First Baptist Church of Dayton. He married in 1900 Miss Edith Walton, daughter of Mrs. Mary A. Walton of Dayton. They have one son, Charles W., now a student in the Business Administration department at Harvard University.

GEORGE BANCROFT SMITH. A large number of the enterprises, institutions, organizations and movements that are fundamental in the character of Dayton acknowledge the vital contact, unity and membership of George Bancroft Smith. He was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, at Phillipsburg, November 16, 1867, and from the age of twelve years lived at Brookville, Ohio, where he attended the village school. Beginning at the age of eighteen he taught in a country district for two years, having sixty-five pupils

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in his school, some of them older than himself. At the age of twenty he began his career as a Daytonian. Following a twelve weeks' business course in the Miami Commercial College he obtained employment at $6.00 a week in Aulabaugh's Hat and Fur Store, but eight months later became bookkeeeper and paymaster at $45.00 a month with the Smith and Vaile Company. That firm and its successor, the Platt Iron Works Company, held him in their service for seventeen years, and when he resigned he was assistant secretary and acting treasurer of a $1,000,000 company. Then for a time he handled and managed the personal investments and other interests of Eugene J. Barney, the well known Dayton capitalist. Mr. Smith in 1907 was elected secretary, treasurer and manager of the Craig Reynolds Foundry Company, one of Mr. Barney's interests. In 1908 he became president and general manager of the Kinnard Manufacturing Company also one of the Barney group but since 1916 in pratically all of his many business enterprises he has been associated with Col. E. A. Deeds and Charles F. Kettering. Some of his active business connections are: Secretary and treasurer of the Domestic Building Company; secretary and treasurer of the Moraine Development Company; director of the Stemco Engineering Company; director of the Grolan Manufacturing Company; second vice president and director of the Flexible Company; director of the Triangle Park Company; director of the the Kinnard Manufacturing Company; director of The Dayton Fan and Motor Company.

In 1907 he was elected vice president of the Chamber of Commerce of Dayton, serving four years and then two years as president, at which time the Chamber of Commerce was merged with the Greater Dayton Association, and he then became vice president of the latter. From 1902 to 1905 he was a member of the Dayton Board of Education. In 1917 he was associated with Col. E. A. Deeds, Charles F. Kettering, Arthur E. Morgan and others, in organizing The Moraine Park School of Dayton, which has since become one of the most famous experiments in progressive education in the United States. Moraine Park School has been described again and again in educational magazines and also in newspapers and magazines of popular circulation. Mr. Smith was president and treasurer of the school at its beginning and holds those offices today.

Some of the other movements and organizations in the city and of still broader scope that absorb some of his energies and interests and enthusiasm are the Westminster Choral Association of which he is a director; the Central Theological Seminary, of which he is a Trustee; the Young Men's Christian Association, which he has served as a director for nineteen years and three years as its president; the Door of Hope Association of which he is president and a director; the City Rescue Mission of which he is a trustee; the Dayton Council on Philanthropy of which he is secretary; the Dayton Air Service Incorporated Committee of which he is a director; the Christian Education Board of the Reformed Church of United States of America, which he serves as a trustee; and is also a member of the Board of the Ohio Federation of Churches, is a commissioner of the National Forward Movement of the Reformed Church of America, is a director of the Associated Charities of Dayton, and of the Dayton Community Chest Association, secretary and director of Compania Accionista de la India Occidental of Havana, Cuba; is acting member of the board of governors of The Engineers' Club of Dayton and a member of the official board of Hale Memorial Reformed Church. Mr. Smith is secretary ad treasurer of the Dayton Chapter of the National Aeronautic Association of the United States of America; is secretary of the executive and finance committees of the International Pulitzer Airplane Races and is an official observer in all local aviation events, including the bringing to Dayton of many world records, those in which he has had an active part in promoting including the following: The performance of 1923 by Lieutenants Macready and Kelley in the T-2, including a new world's record in endurance and long distance flight; in the same year Lieutenant Harris in the Barling Bomber set a new world's record in an altitude weight-carrying flight in the largest airship in the world; the new world's record made in 1923 in speed flight by Lieutenants Maughan and Maitland; and in 1924 the new world's record of altitude flight set by Lieutenant Macready.

Mr. Smith has also found some time for literary expression, has contributed a number of articles to newspapers and magazines, being the author of a small volume entitled, "Timothy and Red Clover."

He married in 1890 Miss Holly Denney of West Alexandria. They have a daughter, Miss Martha Catharine, a leader in a number of Dayton movements of the younger group, including College and Young Women's Christian Association Industrial Department activities.

Rev. Paul F. Ebert, pastor of the Lutheran Church at Dover in Tuscarawas County, comes of a family devoted to the learned professions and particularly to the ministry and service of the Lutheran Church. His grandfather, Ebert, was a Lutheran minister in Germany. Four sons of this grandfather became ministers of the Lutheran Church in the United States. Three of these sons had sons who took up and followed the same calling, the other one of the four brothers having no son. Rev. Paul F. Ebert's father is still active in the ministry, and his wife is the sister of a Lutheran preacher and both of her sisters married ministers.

Rev. Paul F. Ebert was born at Houtzdale, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, April 16, 1890, but has spent most of his life in Ohio. His father is Rev. Detlef Philip Ebert, who was born in the province of Hanover, Germany. At the age of seventeen he came to the United States, graduated from the Capital University at Columbus and the Theological Seminary of that university, these being institutions of the Joint Synod of Ohio of the Lutheran Church. Ordained a minister, he located at Houtzdale, Pennsylvania, was for one year pastor of a Lutheran Church there, and in the nearby Town of Tyrone; then returned to Ohio, serving sixteen years as pastor of the Lutheran Church at New Washington and fourteen years as pastor of the church at Marysville, Ohio. This pastorate he resigned on account of failing health, accepting a smaller and less responsible pastorate at Trenton, Ohio, where he is still preaching and where he and his good wife reside.

Rev. Detlef Philip Ebert married at Houtzdale, Pennsylvania, Katherine Feuchter. The three children of their marriage are: Paul F., Emma M. and Rev. Walter W., the latter a Lutheran pastor of a prominent church in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Rev. Paul F. Ebert was reared and attended public schools at New Washington and Marysville, Ohio, and continued his literary education in the Capital University at Columbus. Graduating, he went to Canada and taught school in the City of Winnipeg during 1909-10. On returning to Ohio he graduated from the theological seminary of Capital University, and was ordained to the Lutheran ministry by his father in 1914. Going to Southwest Texas, he organized and for four years was pastor of a Lutheran Church at Victoria in that state. For twenty-two months he was pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran

Church at Delaware, Ohio; and for two years he served the First Lutheran Church at Lancaster, Ohio; and in 1922 took up his duties as pastor of Grace Lutheran Church at Dover. He is head of a progressive congregation. Recently his church completed a large annex for the use of the Sunday school in the rear of the present church edifice, and the next material improvement will involve the building of a new church.

Rev. Mr. Ebert has also been active in civic affairs. While at Lancaster he was secretary of the Kiwanis Club and was president of the Kiwanis Club at Dover in 1924. He is a member of the local Chamber of Commerce. On June 24, 1914, at Mankato, Minnesota, he married Miss Irene T. Just, who was born in that Minnesota city. They have one son, Paul William Ebert, born July 11, 1921.

ALVIN JEROME HOSTETLER, a resident of Dover, Tuscarawas County, is a veteran school man, his experience covering all phases of work as teacher and school administration. He is now head of the County Normal School.

He was born on a farm in Tuscarawas County, January 23, 1879, son of Rudolph and Lucinda (Dietz) Hostetler. His parents were born in Tuscarawas County. His grandparents were Daniel and Mary Hostetler, the former a native of Pennsylvania and of Swiss lineage. Lucinda Dietz was a daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth (Levengood) Dietz, the former a native of Pennsylvania, of German lineage. Rudolph Hostetler spent a long and active life as a farmer in Tuscarawas County, and died at the age of seventy-five. His widow is still living. They had six children, two sons and four daughters.

Alvin Jerome Hostetler lived on a farm through his youth and early manhood, was educated in country schools, and was only seventeen when he began teaching. His knowledge of methods was perfected in the summer normal schools, and in the intervals of teaching he attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada, where in 1908 he was graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree. Up to 1908, for a total of nine years, he taught in rural schools. After that he was a teacher in the high schools at McComb, Hicksville and Bluffton, Ohio, until 1917, when he returned to Tuscarawas County as a district supervisor of schools. That post he held five years, and since 1922 has been director of the Tuscarawas County Normal School at New Philadelphia, where many of the teachers of the county receive their training. He is a member of the County, Eastern Ohio and the Ohio State Teachers' associations.

Mr. Hostetler is a member of the Lutheran Church and is a democrat in politics. He married in 1909 Miss Clara Stewart, who was born in Hancock County, Ohio. She has to her credit a teaching record of about fifteen years. The two children of their marriage are Marion Stewart and Carma Coy Hostetler.

GEORGE CARRUTHERS. The public is too apt to take for granted the proper functioning of every department of the city, without stopping to think how much practical knowledge is required along every line to prevent confusion and avoid accidents. The public safety is insured through thorough, painstaking effort and ceaseless watchfulness, especially in those departments connected with the building commissioner. Thousands of elevators, for instance, are in constant use throughout the city, and yet each one of these is inspected at regular intervals to see that it is properly installed, and that its machinery is in safe running order. The man who is in charge of these inspections, George Carruthers, is probably one of the most expert in his line in this part of Ohio, and he is a man long connected with public service, with a practical experience back of him.

George Carruthers was born at Saint Louis, Missouri, November 30, 1856, a son of William and Martha (Worley) Carruthers, the former of whom was born at London, England, in 1830. In 1850 he came, alone, to the United States, and two years later located at Cincinnati, Ohio. By occupation he was a horse trader, and, understanding the business, was fairly successful at it. Cincinnati continued to be his home until his death, which occurred about 1886. Of the seven children born to him and his wife, George Carruthers was the second in order of birth.

The public schools of Cincinnati grounded George Carruthers in the fundamentals of an education, but he has been taught many additional lessons of value in those of experience. Early beginning his business career, for he was but twelve years old when he commenced working at stemming tobacco. He has always been a worker, and he is proud of the fact that all he has, he has earned by his own efforts. After about a year spent in the tobacco factory he went with the Mills & Loughead Company, by whom he was employed operating wood work machinery until 1887.

It was in the latter year that Mr. Carruthers began his connection with the public service by entering the sheriff's office, under Leo Schott, with whom he remained for four years. For the subsequent seven years he was timekeeper at the Front Street Station of the Water Works Department. Outside business claimed him then for about two years, and he was during that time an operator of a planing mill. Once more his services were placed at the disposal of the public, and for three years he was deputy state food inspector for Ohio, with headquarters at Cincinnati. His duties included the collection of food for the food commissioner of Ohio. For another two years he was in charge of his planing mill, but then, securing a reliable man to conduct it for him, he went into the water works of the city and did carpentering. For two years he was the elevator inspector for the City of Cincinnati, served for three years as deputy elevator inspector, and then, in 1920, received his present appointment as chief elevator inspector for the city. His duties in this very important office include the supervision of the work of installing and inspecting all of the elevators of Cincinnati, and he is particularly well fitted on account of his long experience with this line of work. His headquarters are in the building commissioner's office, City Hall.

Mr. Carruthers has been active in political life, and is a stalwart republican. In 1886 he was elected a member of the Cincinnati City Council, and served in that body for four years. Fraternally he belongs to the Maccabees.

In 1889 Mr. Carruthers married Miss Catherine Morley, who was born in Ohio, and educated in the parochial schools of her home city. Mr. and Mrs. Carruthers had four children born to them, but all are deceased. It would be difficult to find a more representative man or better citizen than Mr. Carruthers, and while he is recognized as unflinching in the administration of his office, his sense of fairness is such that all are given a proper treatment, and no unjustice is permitted.

ALEXANDER PATTERSON, city treasurer of Cincinnati, has lived in that city since early childhood, and has been identified with its business as well as its politics and public affairs.

Mr. Patterson was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, November 14, 1865, and was three years of age when his parents came to America, in 1868, and located at Cincinnati. His father, Mark Patterson, followed the trade of miller in Ireland, and on coming to America entered the service of the Cincinnati, Hamilton &

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Dayton Railway Company in the freight department, but died after a brief service, in 1870. He was the father of eight children, Alexander being next to the youngest.

Mr. Patterson attended public school in Cincinnati, Ohio, and since the age of fourteen has been self supporting. He was employed in a dairy for seven years, learning the business, and then engaging in it for himself and for ten years conducted a dairy establishment, supplying milk to the City of Cincinnati.

In the meantime, on May 4, 1887, Mr. Patterson married Miss Katherine Miller, daughter of Andrew and Katherine Miller. Two children were born to their marriage, the daughter, Mrs. Bella C. Brown, being the wife of the deputy county treasurer of Hamilton County.

Mr. Patterson for several years was connected with the Fleischman Yeast Company, and then engaged in the hay, grain and building material business, which he conducted at 33 W. Sixth Street until about the time of the World war.

Mr. Patterson was elected and served four years on the Cincinnati City Council, and in 1916 was elected city treasurer, a position he has held continuously. He has been a life long republican, has been affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows since 1892, and is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Moose.

NATHANIEL D. C. HODGES is rounding out a quarter of a century of service as librarian of the Cincinnati Public Library, and is a former president of the Ohio Library Association.

He was born at Salem, Massachusetts, April 19, 1852, son of John and Mary Osgood (Deland) Hodges. He graduated Bachelor of Arts from Harvard University in 1874, attended the University of Heidelberg, Germany, during the following year, and after returning from abroad, was private tutor in mathematics and civics at Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1876-77. He served as assistant in civics at Harvard University in 1877-81, and gained distinctive recognition for his work in his chosen science, being elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Science in 1879, and a Fellow of the American Association for the advancement of Science in 1882, on account of his investigations in molecular physics.

Mr. Hodges for a number of years was connected with the editorial staff of the publication called Science, being its assistant editor from 1883 to 1885, and editor from 1885 to 1894. In 1895 he initiated his long career in the profession of librarian, having been assistant at the Astor Library in New York during 1895-97; assistant at the Harvard University Library from 1897 to 1900; and from April 20, 1900, was librarian of the public library at Cincinnati until resigning in January, 1924. His service as president of the Ohio Library Association was rendered in 1904-05, and he was honored with the presidency of the American Library Association in 1909-10.

CHARLES S. BELL, prosecuting attorney of Hamilton County, has practiced law in Cincinnati for fifteen years. He is a trial lawyer of great resourcefulness and technical skill, very able also as a public speaker.

Mr. Bell was born in Hartwell, Hamilton County, Ohio, October 8, 1880, son of Samuel Walter and Mary (Logan) Bell. He is the youngest of five children, and the younger brother of Judge Samuel Walter Bell, long a prominent attorney and public official at Cincinnati. Samuel W. Bell, Sr., was born in Pennsylvania, and was engaged in the real estate business until his death in 1896. He was a democrat, and held several public offices, including real estate appraiser and sidewalk inspector for the City of Cincinnati, and was also a member of the Board of Control.

Charles S. Bell was educated in the grammar and high schools at Carthage, and then entered the railroad service, remaining in their employ until 1910, in the meantime working and studying at every opportunity to prepare himself for the law. For the railroad he served as yard clerk, chief clerk and yard master. He was admitted to the bar at the age of thirty-one, and in September, 1910, engaged in practice at Cincinnati. His private practice brought him a successful business, and he has handled many important cases. He is the executor of estates involving many valuable business interests.

In 1918 he was made first assistant to the county prosecutor, and served in that capacity until January 1, 1923, when he became prosecuting attorney of Hamilton County. His administration has been one proving his resourcefulness in handling the many complicated and perplexing problems involved. He successfully prosecuted the case of Durr vs. Anderson, in which the question of the taxability of a seat on the New York Stock Exchange was involved. Mr. Bell carried the case to the Supreme Court of the United States, where a decision favorable to the State of Ohio was obtained. He also undertook the long investigation and presented to the Grand Jury the indictment of the brokerage firm of Beazel and Chatfield on charges of embezzlement. He secured conviction in the Court of Common Pleas, and the conviction has been affirmed by the Court of Appeals. The case was given a great deal of publicity, and was important as being the first attempt for many years on the part of the state to determine whether the criminal laws were violated by the practices prevailing in many brokerage offices. The testimony of the case was secured by Mr. Bell in the City of New York from the members of the New York Stock Exchange.

Mr. Bell is active in fraternal and social affairs, being a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, and Odd Fellow, an Eagle, belongs to the Elk Lodge of Cincinnati, and is a member of the Country Club, State and National Bar Association, Maketewah Country Club, Municipal Country Club, Cuvier Press Club, Optimist Club and Blaine Club. His hobby is golf. Mr. Bell is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

J. ALFRED LOVELL. A family whose members have contributed for several successive generations to the development of the material resources in Southeastern Ohio is represented by J. Alfred Lovell, pioneer oil producer, whose business headquarters for the last twenty years have been at Marietta. His offices are in the St. Clair building in that city. Mr. Lovell as a boy took up the live stock business, following the example of his father, one of the old time drovers. Farming and the live stock business have continued to occupy him through all the years, though he is doubtless most widely known for his extensive operations in the oil territory.

Mr. Lovell was born at Joy, in Morgan County, Ohio, February 12, 1850, son of John and Jane (Wheeler) Lovell and grandson of Thomas S. Lovell. Thomas S. Lovell, a native of Massachusetts, took to the sea when a boy, became captain of a sailing vessel in the famous American Merchant Marine before he was twenty-one years of age, and as a ship owner sailed his ships across the Atlantic many times. His home was in the vicinity of Boston. As his children grew up he desired to put the attractions of the sea beyond the reach of his sons, not desiring that they follow a seafaring career. Accordingly he brought his family west to Ohio. One of his uncles had been a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and as reward for

his service the Government had given him a land grant. This grant was given to Thomas S. Lovell, and under its terms he took up 160 acres near Joy, in Morgan County, Ohio. He lived all his life there, being a man of strong character, influential in local township and county affairs, and reached the good old age of eighty years. He married Charlotte Norcroff, a native of Barnstable, Massachusetts.

Of their seven children John Lovell, the youngest, was born in Morgan County, and exemplified the long lived qualities of his ancestors by reaching the age of eighty-seven. He passed away in 1905. He became a farmer, and early took up the business of stock raising and dealing. As a drover he took cattle over the old National Pike to the eastern market. Religion was very vital to him, and he held daily sermon and prayers, being a trustee of the Methodist Church. He served as township trustee, was an abolitionist before the Civil war, and always voted the republican ticket. Jane Wheeler, the wife of John Lovell, was born in Athens County, Ohio, and was seventy years of age when she passed away in 1902. They were the parents of four children: J. Alfred; O. M., a farmer and stock dealer near Amesville in Athens County; Eliza, of Toledo, widow of Reverend Conkle, and Georgiana, wife of Lincoln Glass, of Portland, Oregon.

J. Alfred Lovell spent the first forty years of his life on the old homestead where he was born. He was educated in the Morgan County district schools, including one year in the schools at McConnelsville. As soon as he was old enough he began accompanying his father on trips East with stock, and at the age of fifteen was trading in live stock on his own account. He is one of the veteran shippers of cattle over the Baltimore and Ohio lines to Baltimore. On his own and leased lands he at times had as many as 200 cattle and 800 sheep. When the great slump in wool prices came, during the early '90s, he was disgusted and quit the live stock business almost entirely, selling his cattle, as well as his sheep.

In 1892 he moved from the old homestead to the Dale farm, on which oil had been discovered as early as 1860. For over thirty years much of his time and capital has been employed in oil developments. Leasing lands adjoining the Dale place, he sunk sixteen wells before getting any oil. This persistence in the face of repeated discouragements proved his dominating character. Finally, in 1898, he brought in a well on the Dale farm, and since then has been to a greater or less extent identified with over 500 producing wells. He explored carefully the entire district between the Dale place and the Ohio River to the southeast. For some years he was associated in the oil business with Harvey E. Smith. In 1900 Mr. Lovell moved to Chester Hill, he and Charles Eckles and William Ritchie, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as associates, leasing the Emmor Bowman place on Wolf Creek, and drilled forty-seven producing wells without a single dry hole. These wells produced from 10 to 600 barrels per day, the deepest well being 400 feet and the shallowest 300 feet. This was indeed a golden stream of oil and set a remarkable record in the shallow oil field of Ohio. It was in 1901 that Mr. Lovell moved his home and headquarters to Marietta. Since then he has been identified with oil development in various fields in Ohio, Illinois, Texas and Oklahoma. He still continues trading in live stock, being interested in Jersey cattle and saddle horses, his favorite pastime being horseback riding. At one time in his career in a period of five years it is estimated that he rode 5,000 miles horseback. Mr. Lovell has been associated with the Peoples Bank of Marietta since its organization.

He is a republican, a member of the Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce at Marietta, and he and his family are Methodists. He has a magnificent home known as Hemlock Place, near the Country Club at Marietta. Mr. Lovell has been married fifty-five years. His wife was Mary Anna Hobson, daughter of S. N. Hobson, of Athens. Mr. and Mrs. Lovell have four daughters: Miss Jessie M. and Miss Anna, at home; Alice, wife of B. H. Robertson, of Nowata, Oklahoma, an oil producer; and Helen, wife of L. B. Riddle, who is general manager of the Shafer Oil Company. Mr. and Mrs. Lovell also had two sons: Earl, who was educated at Ohio University, and died in 1907, at the age of thirty; and Paul, who died in October, 1923, when forty-five years of age. Both sons were identified with oil production, Paul being associated with his father and also with George B. Foreman of Buffalo.

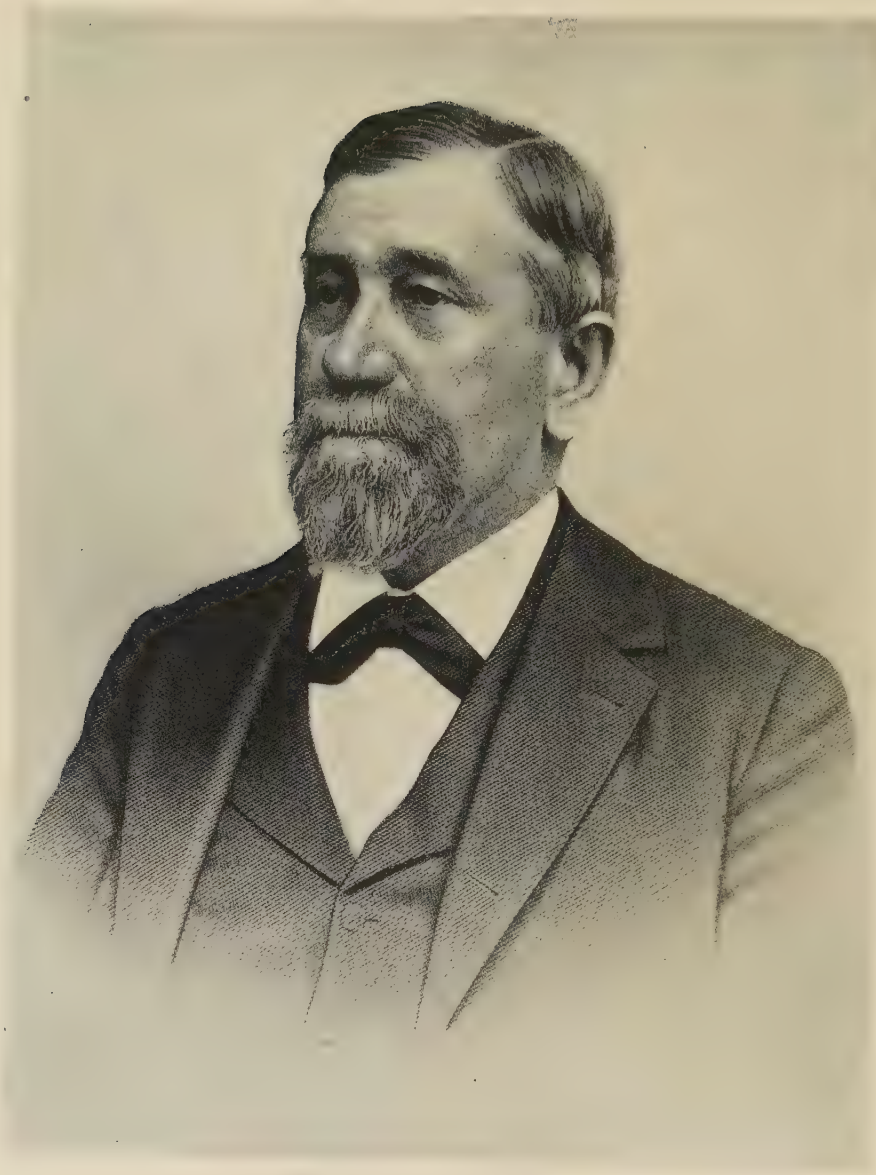
HARRIET TAYLOR UPTON, in early girlhood espoused the ideas and principles that have dominated her entire life, and was identified as a working influence with the woman's suffrage cause. She held an important administrative post in the national organizations, and the history of the woman suffrage movement in America can hardly be written without some reference and tribute to this Ohio woman.

She was born at Ravenna, daughter of Ezra B. and Harriet (Frazer) Taylor. Her father, a native of Nelson, Portage County, Ohio, became one of the leading lawyers of Northeastern Ohio. He practiced at Ravenna and in Warren, served as prosecuting attorney, Common Pleas judge and succeeded General Garfield as representative of the Nineteenth Ohio District in Congress. He was in Congress thirteen years. Judge Taylor died in 1912, at the age of eighty-nine. Mrs. Upton's mother was born at Ravenna, daughter of William Frazer and Anna (Campbell) Frazer. She was a woman of great intellectuality, but died at the comparatively early age of forty-five.

Harriet Taylor Upton received a high school education at Warren, and on July 9, 1884, was married to George W. Upton. Mr. Upton, who died in Washington in April, 1923, was educated at West Point Military Academy, subsequently studied law at Washington, was admitted to the bar in Ohio, and practiced in this state and Washington for many years.

Mrs. Upton became actively identified with the National Woman's Suffrage Movement in 1890. She served as president of the Ohio Woman Suffrage Association, but the office by which she was best known was that of treasurer of the National Woman Suffrage Association, a post of duties she held fifteen years. She acted as a patron of the National Council of Women. She had the satisfaction of assisting in bringing about the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment.

Since then she has been a prominent worker in the republican party, and for four years was vice chairman of the Executive Committee of the Republican National Committee, the late President Harding having chosen her for that place. She was elected a member of the Board of Education at Warren a year or two after the school suffrage law was passed, and served fifteen years, part of the time as chairman. She also served as president of the Warren Political Equality Club for 10 years. She is a member of the Episcopal Church, the Washington City Club, the Ohio Daughters of the American Revolution, the Woman's Relief Corps and many other organizations. Mrs. Upton is the author of three books: "Our Early President, Their Wives and Children," published in 1892; "The History of Trumbull County, Ohio," and a "History of the Western Reserve." She has written extensively for children.



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JOHN A. CALDWELL. As lawyer, former congressman and four terms as judge of the Common Pleas Court, John A. Caldwell has for forty years been a conspicuous citizen in Cincinnati. His career is not less deserving of record in the history of the state.

He was born at Fair Haven, Preble County, Ohio, April 21, 1852, and his early life was one of struggle to achieve the opportunities of a career. He was educated in common schools to the age of fifteen, then worked as farm hand, grocery clerk and baker boy, and in 1869 came to Cincinnati and taught school in Mill Creek Township until the fall of 1873. While attending the Cincinnati Law School he was employed in the law office of Johnson, Moulton & Blinn, and was graduated and admitted to the bar in 1876.

For about a year he taught school, and in 1877 engaged in private practice at Cincinnati. In 1881 he was elected and by reelection in 1883 he served as prosecuting attorney until 1885. In 1887 he was elected judge of the Police Court. Before the expiration of this term he was nominated and elected to represent the Second Ohio Congressional District, being reelected in 1890 and 1892 and serving in the 51st, 52nd and 53rd Congresses.

At the call of what he regarded as a more important duty, he accepted the republican nomination for mayor in the spring of 1894, and was elected and served as chief executive of the city until 1897. In 1899 he was chosen lieutenant governor of Ohio, serving two years. In the fall of 1901 he was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court for five years, and in 1906 was reelected for the term of six years, again being reelected in 1912 and 1918. His present term expires February 9, 1925.

Judge Caldwell enjoys the enviable distinction of being known as "The father of the Juvenile Court of Hamilton County." He had advocated the establishment of such a court as far back as 1887, while serving as judge of the Police Court. In 1904, in addition to his duties as Common Pleas judge, he was appointed judge of the Juvenile Court, and served in that capacity for ten years, until 1914.

His career in Congress had results of more than passing interest. He was in Congress more than thirty years ago, and at that time was conspicuous as an advocate of all measures to protect the working man and afford justice and relief to the soldiers. He advocated the eight hour bill, under the provision of which government contractors could be prevented from forcing their men to work more than eight hours, a provision that has now for many years been incorporated in the practice of all contractors on government work.

He also introduced and secured the passage of a bill appropriating $25,000 for a survey for a barge canal from Toledo to Cincinnati. The survey was made, the project recommended by engineers, but public interest was never aroused sufficiently to push the matter to conclusion.

Judge Caldwell was author of the bill that prevented the desecration of the American flag by placing advertisements thereon. He was author of the anti-lottery bill, which proved the death-knell of the Louisiana lottery. He made the favorable reports that secured the enactment of the car coupler law, requiring all railroad companies to adopt safety couplers on all trains engaged in interstate commerce.

He was successful in advocating the reclassification of the various postal employes under which all railway clerks and letter carriers are now working. Another fact that should be remembered is his firm stand against the employment of convict labor on government contracts. He was author of a bill requiring that all prison-made goods of whatever character should be stamped so as to show where and in what prison they were manufactured.

While Judge Caldwell was serving his first term in Congress he was unanimously elected chairman of the Congressional Campaign Committee. He was a delegate to the Republican National Conventions that nominated President McKinley in 1896 and 1900. Among those who first advocated the Republican League of Ohio, he was afterwards unanimously elected president of that League.

Judge Caldwell married in 1876, the year he was admitted to the bar, Miss Anna Eversull, of Mount Airy, Ohio. They have three children: John, Robert and Bessie Caldwell.

EDWARD HUBER. Credit has been given for many years to Edward Huber as the founder and creator of the industrial growth and development of the City of Marion. At the close of the Civil war, he established a small manufacturing plant in what was then a country village, and he was personally identified as founder and executive official with half a dozen or more large manufacturing concerns that make the name of Marion known all around the world through their products

Edward Huber was born on a farm near Kelso in Dearborn County, Indiana, September 1, 1837. His father, Phillip Huber, was a native of Weildorf, Germany, learned the cabinet maker's trade there, and the young man came to America with three of his brothers. In Philadelphia he worked at his trade, and subsequently sent back to Germany for Miss Mary Hurm, who joined him in 1834 and they were married at Philadelphia. Subsequently they moved to a farm in the southeastern corner of Indiana at Kelso, and he and his wife lived out their lives in that community. They were the parents of six children.

Edward Huber had limited school advantages in the rural and isolated community in which he grew up in Indiana. He inherited some of his father's marked mechanical skill, and learned to handle all the tools found in his father's blacksmith and cabinet shop on the farm. There he made sashes, doors, blinds and coffins, all this woodwork being done by hand. The shop also made wagons, not only the woodwork, but also the iron, and Edward Huber ironed most of the wagons in that shop.

His skill in handling tools was supplemented by an original genius at invention. His first important invention came in 1863 when he devised a revolving hay rake which he patented. He was attracted to Marion, Ohio, by reason of the ample supply of hardwood for manufacturing this hay rake. He arrived at Marion in 1865, accompanied by his bride and in a short time organized the Kowalke Hammerle & Company, to manufacture the hay rake. Mr. Huber was at first the junior partner, but in 1870 became a member of the firm Huber, Gunn & Company. He acted as superintendent of the planing mill and other branches of the industry that manufactured the original hay rake. As the business grew, he designed and built a number of labor saving machines to increase the capacity of the factory and reduce the cost of operations. In November, 1874, the Huber Manufacturing Company was incorporated, taking over the property and business, not only of the Huber Gunn & Company, but also the Holmes & Seffner Company. While the revolving hay rake continued to be an important line of manufacture, Mr. Huber was constantly broadening the scope of manufacture. He invented a revolving road scraper, which took the first prize at the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition in 1876. He also developed a farm engine for threshing machines, and developed a grain separator. In 1880 the company began manufacturing engines and separators. A traction engine was improved and

developed and Mr. Huber patented one of the first self-feeders for grain separators. For a great many years the name Huber has been associated in the minds of hundreds of thousands of American farmers with high class agricultural machinery. Edward Huber gave the business of the Huber Manufacturing Company his personal attention, and served it as mechanical engineer, superintendent and president until his death on August 26, 1904.

The importance of his relationship to Marion industrial progress was measured not alone by the development of the Huber Manufacturing Company but by the encouragement and support he gave to many other local industries and the modern industrial district of Marion is in a large measure a reflection of the enterprise Edward Huber, though he has been dead now for twenty years. He gave encouragement and financial assistance to the original inventors of the steam shovel which for many years have comprised one of Marion's chief contributions to the volume of American machinery products. Mr. Huber with his own money built the two first steam shovels. The shovel was patented by H. M. Barnhart. This was the beginning of what is now the Marion Steam Shovel Company. This company was incorporated in 1884 and during the lifetime of Edward Huber, it became one of the largest factories manufacturing steam shovels, dredges and mining and excavating machinery. Edward Huber was president of this company from its organization until his death. He was also founder and president of Marion Malleable Iron Works, was one of the founders and president of the Automatic Boiler Heater Company, was president of the Marion Implement Company, president of the Marion National Bank, and vice president of the Marion Milling and Grain Company. He was interested in the first building and loan association at Marion. He was one of the organizers of the Marion Street Railway Company, one of the founders of the Grand Opera House Company, and assisted in the organization and construction of the Marion Young Men's Christian Association and was one of the trustees. He was financially and officially identified with the Marion Oil and Supply Company, the Marion Tool Works, the Prendergast Lumber and Coal Company and the Marion Bicycle Company. He recognized the place the automobile would fill and was liberal in encouraging the development of its manufacture. Edward Huber was a lover of fine driving horses, and he owned four fine farms near Marion which he made models of agricultural management.

Edward Huber married, October 30, 1865, Miss Elizabeth Hammerle, who was born at Tulsa, Indiana, March 15, 1842. She survived his ten years, passing away on Easter Sunday, April 12, 1914. Mrs. Huber is remembered as a woman of great gentleness of manner, modest and unassuming, but constantly engaged in some work of worthy philanthropy. They were members of St. Mary's Catholic Church at Marion. The two children are Francis A., president of the Marion Steam Shovel Company and a daughter Mary Catherine, who is the wife of J. A. Schroeter of Marion.

Francis Albert Huber, only son of Edward and Elizabeth (Hammerle) Huber, has evinced a genius for business organization and administration resembling the inventive genius of his distinguished father, who was founder of the modern industrial City of Marion.

Francis A. Huber, better known as Frank Huber, was born at Marion, January 29, 1867, and as a boy attended St. Mary's Parochial School, the Nelson Business College of Cincinnati, and in 1885 when eighteen years of age, became a minor employee in the plant of the Marion Steam Shovel Company. He has been with that business corporation continuously, and since January 6, 1891, has been treasurer of the company. He became a director on January 7, 1895, was elected vice president September 13, 1904, and since January 22, 1918, has been president as well as treasurer of one of the largest concerns in the world manufacturing shovels and other machinery for excavation, dredging, mining and similar forms of work. The accounting and other features of the company's business management are largely the product of the experience and talent of Frank A. Huber.

Mr. Huber is also president of the Marion Building, Savings & Loan Company, is vice president of the Huber Manufacturing Company and the Fahey Banking Company, and is a director in the Marion National Bank, National City Bank & Trust Company, Marion Lumber Company, Prendergast Company and the Marion County Telephone Company. He is the owner of two fine farms, one of them known as Huesta, being a dairy farm specializing in Holstein cattle, and the other is Vernonside, a stock farm featured by a herd of shorthorned cattle.

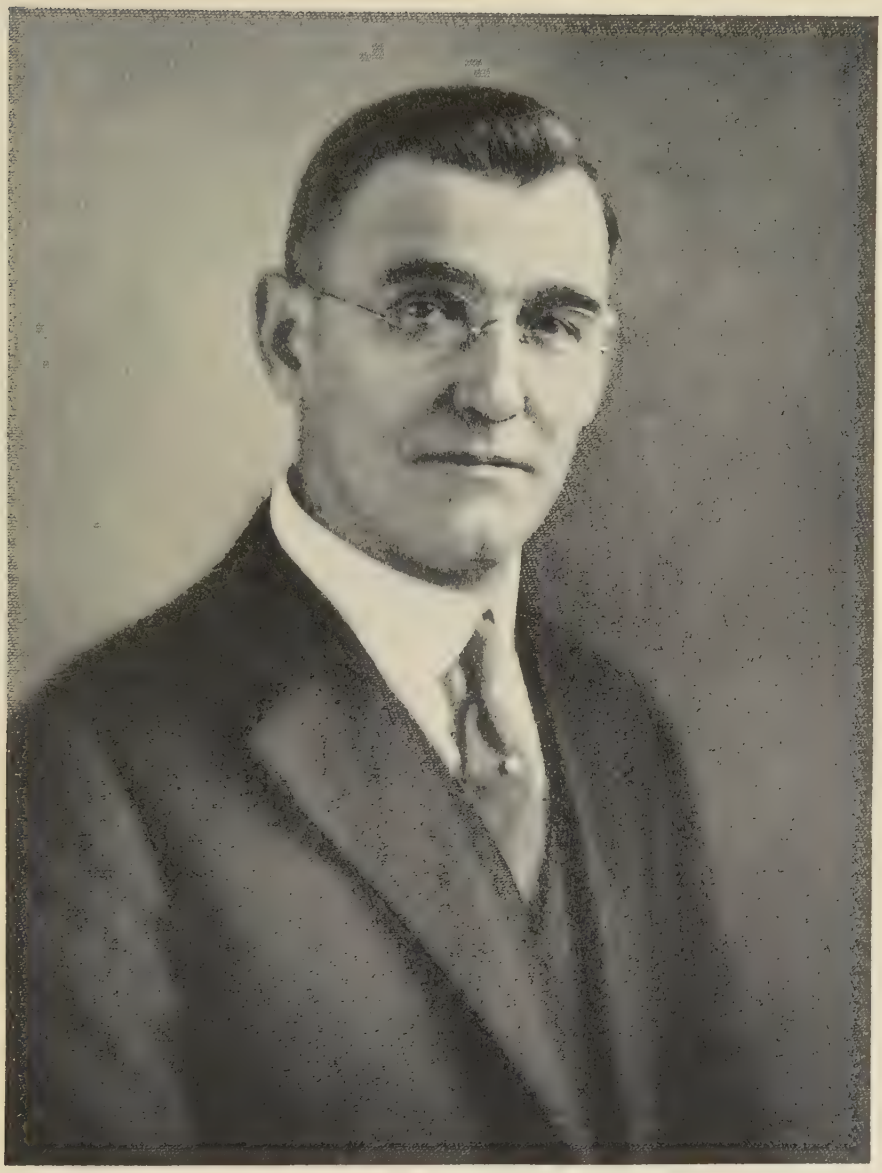
Mr. Huber is a modern industrial executive who has succeeded in maintaining close touch with the large body of men employed in his plants and offices. He has kept himself in touch socially as well as through the ordinary relations of the managing official, and he has developed an idea and principle in which his father was interested, that of home owning by employees and has used the opportunities of his business position to promote home ownership wherever possible. He was largely instrumental in having the Marion Steam Shovel Company adopt a group insurance plan for its employees. Mr. Huber is a member of the Marion Country Club, is former president of the Marion Club, and a member of the Knights of Columbus.

He married on April 27, 1893, Miss Nona B. Fahey. She died November 14, 1910, the mother of three children: Mary Faye, wife of C. F. La Marche of Marion; Edward Timothy, who during the World war served in the Engineer Corps with the Thirty-seventh Division in the American Expeditionary Forces, is now in the purchasing department of the Marion Steam Shovel Company and married Mary Lynn; and Francis Bernard.

Timothy Fahey, father of the late Mrs. Frank A. Huber, was a native of Ireland, son of Dennis Fahey. He came to the United States in 1847 and from New York went west to Sandusky, Ohio, later to Kenton, and in the fall of 1847 arrived at Marion, where he secured work as a hand during the construction of the Illinois Central & Western Railway. He started a boarding camp for men engaged in railroad work, from that went into the grocery and then into the dry goods business, and eventually opened a small private bank in his little store, and took up real estate dealing. From 1872 to 1893 he operataed a private bank, and in the latter year incorporated the Fahey Banking Company, of which he was president until his death. He was a democrat and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Roscoe Carwine Harper, D. D. S., practicing at Wellston, is a native of Jackson County, and for a number of years has demonstrated his splendid efficiency in his chosen profession. He is a veteran of the World war, and one of the influential men in politics in his native county.

He was born in Coalton in Jackson County, December 1, 1886, son of Ezra J. and Laura Mae (Cooper) Harper, and grandson of Calvin and Jemimah Harper and Theodore and Mary Ann Cooper. Doctor Harper's parents are still living. His father has had a successful career as a farmer, plaster contractor, merchant and coal dealer. He is a



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member of the Methodist Church and the Knights of Pythias. There were six children in the family: Cora, wife of James F. Long and the mother of a son, Robert McCune; Iva, who married James Hunley, has three children, Laura Fern, James Franklin and Betty Jean; Dr. Roscoe Carwine; Lola, wife of Prof. E. V. Springer, superintendent of the Scioto Township rural schools, is the mother of two sons, Paul Wayne and Emmett Vance; Edith, wife of D. E. Parry, and mother of two sons, David Edgar and Glendon E.; and Clarence, who married Gertrude Willis and has a son, Joseph Willis.

Dr. Roscoe Carwine Harper attended the public schools at Wellston, finishing his high school course in 1905. For a year and a half he worked in his father's store at Wellston, and was then associated with him in the contracting business as a plasterer for a year. Leaving this work, he entered Ohio College of Dental Surgery at Cincinnati, spending one year at that place. He then transferred to the Dental Department of the Starling, Ohio, Medical College of Columbus, where he graduated in May, 1911. After practicing his profession a short time in Cincinnati, Ohio, he opened his dental offices at Wellston, and now is one of the progressive and advanced men in his profession in his county.

During the World war he joined the Dental Reserve Corps, and on July 21, 1918, was called to duty at Camp Sherman. He remained at this camp until August 24, when he was transferred to Camp Mills. On September 9 he left New York harbor on the S.S. Melita and arrived at Liverpool, England, September 21. Crossing the English Channel from Southampton to LaHavre on the Archimedes, he was on duty in several of the important war areas of France, and visited the following places: Nice, Monaco, Monte Carlo, Mentone, also Northern Italy, Paris, Rheims, Chateau Thierry and Verdun. On his return trip to the States he sailed from Marseilles on the S.S. Madonna, visiting the Balearic Isles, Oran, Algeria, Africa and the Azores Islands. Arriving at New York, he was stationed for a time at Camp Merritt, and returning to Camp Sherman, was granted his honorable discharge, June 21, 1919, just eleven months from the day he entered active service. He immediately resumed his dental work at Wellston and has built up a splendid practice.

As a leader in local politics Doctor Harper has been a member of the City Council and the Republican Central Committee, and is chairman of the Third Ward Republican Club. He is an official in the Elks Lodge, a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Psi Omega college fraternity and the American Legion Post.

Hon. Burch Reason Riber. From a boyhood and youth in which hard work was made necessary by a lack of funds for the acquirement of a desired education to the ownership of important business and other interests and the mayoralty of his adopted city has been the record established by Hon. Burch R. Riber, of Hillsboro. Still in the very prime of vigorous manhood, his achievements have been numerous, and while his personal affairs have demanded much of his attention he has also found time to associate with other progressive and right-thinking men in the promulgation of movements that have contributed materially to the welfare of his community.

Mayor Riber was born at Russellville, Brown County, Ohio, August 24, 1886, and is a son of Charles William and Mary (Inskeep) Riber. His grandfather, Daniel Riber, was born in Germany, in 1830, but was opposed to the right of kings to conscript their subjects for military service, and, accordingly, with three companions left his native land and sought the friendly shores of America. After numerous adventures he succeeded in reaching his destination. Charles W. Riber was born in Brown County, Ohio, June 6, 1862. He is now living at Hillsboro, as is Mrs. Riber, who was born in Brown County, July 16, 1866.

The parents of Mr. Riber were not well-to-do, and as a result his boyhood advantages were somewhat limited. He attended the common and grade schools of Brown County and the high schools at Williamsport and Washington Court House, and at the age of sixteen years gave up his studies temporarily, owing to poor health, and went to work on the farm of a Brown County agriculturist, receiving therefor his board. In 1904 Mr. Riber returned to Washington Court House, where he secured employment with his uncle, George Inskeep. With the funds thus gained he took a commercial course at the Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio, during a part of the years 1905 and 1906, and late in the latter year located at Hillsboro, where he worked as stenographer for the wholesale grocery firm of the McKeehan Hiestand Grocery Company. His capital at the time of his arrival was but eleven dollars, but he was self confident and enterprising, and from time to time was promoted by his employers through various positions. In 1915 Mr. Riber entered upon his independent career, when he founded his present wholesale candy, cigar and notion business, which has increased four-fold since its inception and is now one of the prosperous enterprises of the city. He is also a director in the Farmers and Traders National Bank, the owner of two business buildings and a member of the Local Business Men's Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knight Templar Masons and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Riber belongs to the Methodist Church, is a member of the Board of directors of the Highland County Sunday School Association and assistant superintendent of the Sunday School and a teacher of one of the classes. He is likewise a member of the Board of Trustees of the Hillsboro Hospital.

For some years Mr. Riber has been before the public in official capacities. In 1922 he was local manager of the prohibition campaign, and in 1924 was appointed by Governor Donahey as delegate to the national convention of the Anti-Saloon League of American. In 1923 the citizens endorsed him as a candidate for mayor on an independent ticket, and in November of the same year he was elected. He has made an excellent record in the office of chief executive, and his administration has been marked by progress and prosperity.

At Hillsboro, March 2, 1911, Mr. Riber was united in marriage with Miss Martha Richards, who graduated from the high school at Hillsboro in 1908, also attended school at Oxford, and was a teacher up to the time of her marriage. Possessed of a beautiful voice, she sings in the choir of the Hillsboro Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Riber are the parents of four children: Margaret Ellen, born July 14, 1913, in the fifth grade of the public school; Ruth Marie, born October 26, 1915, in the second grade; Catherine, born July 24, 1918; and Martha Virginia, born April 11, 1924.

Joshua Bliss Glenn, M. D. After graduating from medical college Doctor Glenn located at Greenfield, where he quickly attracted favorable attention and built up a practice that has made him one of the busy professional men of Highland County.

Doctor Glenn was born in Bloomingburg, Fayette County, May 8, 1873, son of William Walter and Sarah Armand (Marshall) Glenn. His father was born in 1850, and for thirty-five years was a practicing physician of Hillsboro, Ohio, where he died at the age of sixty-nine. His mother was born at Sardinia, Ohio, in 1859, and still resides in Hillsboro, Ohio.

Dr. Joshua Bliss Glenn attended the grammar and high schools of Hillsboro, and his early association with his father decided him upon a medical career. From 1902 to 1906 he was a student in Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, graduating with the Bachelor of Arts degree. While at Miami he became affiliated with the Sigma Chi fraternity. He graduated from the medical department of Cincinnati University, and in 1910 was appointed resident physician of the State Reformatory at Mansfield, but resigned the following year to engage in private practice at Greenfield. He is a member of the Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity.

Doctor Glenn also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Modern Woodmen, Rotary Club and Country Club, and is a Presbyterian. He is a stockholder in the Home Building and Loan Association of Greenfield.

Doctor Glenn married at Greenfield, January 2, 1916, Miss Edna Carlyle Head, who graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1908. She is a member of the Methodist Church.

William Clifford Martindill, M. D. Twenty years a physician and surgeon, Dr. William C. Martindill has won success in his profession and a high place in the esteem of the community of Greenfield, which he has served all these years.

He was born at McArthur, Ohio, August 25, 1878, son of Don Alphonso and Mary Lillian (Hudson) Martindill, and grandson of William Martindill, natives of Ohio. His parents are still living, and have been successful farming people in the southern part of the state. His father was born on a farm at McArthur January 30, 1856, and his mother was born in the same locality May 24, 1856. Doctor Martindill was reared on a farm, attended public schools, and since early manhood has been dependent upon his own labors and exertions to advance him to success in the world. He spent two years in a pre-medical course in Ohio University at Athens and finished his professional preparation in the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1904. Doctor Martindill was an interne in the Deaconess Hospital at Cincinnati, until November, 1904, when he located at Greenfield to take up the general practice of medicine.

He is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and belongs to the Country Club. His vote is cast as a republican, and he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church. Doctor Martindill married Miss Ruth Ethel Ratcliff at Londonderry, Ohio, where she was reared and educated in the grade and high schools. Two children were born to their marriage: Howard Clifford, born at Greenfield September 9, 1904, graduated in 1922 from the McClain High School, and has since continued his education in the Ohio University at Athens. The second son, Charles Kennett, born December 6, 1908, died July 16, 1920.

Robert John Jones, M. D. For many years the leading physician and surgeon of Greenfield, Doctor Jones is president of the Greenfield Hospital, and has earned a rank among the leading men of his profession in this part of Ohio.

Doctor Jones has lived in Ohio since early boyhood. He was born a British subject, November 30, 1871, at Llanfachrasth Anglesey, North Wales, son of Benjamin and Sarah (Williams) Jones. His father was a merchant in North Wales, and died there in 1880, when thirty-eight years of age. The widowed mother in 1884 brought her little family to the United States and settled at Pomeroy, Ohio. Doctor Jones has always regarded such success as he has been able to win and influence and service that he has been able to give Cincinnati a direct tribute to the fine character and self sacrificing activities of his honored mother. She proved herself a typical business woman, and at Pomeroy opened and conducted a general store, and thus made it possible to educate her son. She died at Middleport, Ohio, in 1922, at the age of seventy-nine.

Robert John Jones grew up in Pomeroy from the age of thirteen, attended high school there, and at the age of twenty-one entered the Medical Department of Cincinnati University. He was graduated in April, 1895, and remained about a year in Cincinnati as an interne in the General Hospital. Since then he has accepted opportunities for further experiences, study and observation home and abroad. The summer of 1908 was spent in England taking a course in medicine and surgery in the Middlesex and London Hospitals. He has attended clinics in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Boston, including the Mayo Brothers Clinics at Rochester, Minnesota, and the Peter Brent Hospital at Boston, Massachusetts.

Doctor Jones has been engaged in the work of his profession for thirty years. In 1918 he organized and supervised the building of the Greenfield Hospital, a corporation capitalized at $30,000, with Doctor Jones as its president and the largest stockholder and chief surgeon. The hospital is an eighteen bed institution, modern in every particular, with an operating room that equals many of those found in hospitals of 250 rooms. There is a complete X-Ray apparatus. Doctor Jones since 1913, on the basis of his attainments, has been a member of the American College of Surgeons. He has belonged to the American Medical Association since 1910. He is surgeon for the Baltimore and Ohio and the Detroit, Toledo and Ironton railroads. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Elks and Eagles, Country and Rotary Clubs.

His first wife was Daisy Bowser, whom he married at Greenfield in 1898. She died in 1904, at the age of thirty, leaving one daughter, Elizabeth, who was born in 1902 and graduated with the Master of Arts Degree from the Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, in 1922. The summer of 1923 she spent abroad in Europe with her uncle, Dr. T. Jesse Jones of New York City, and her aunt, Miss Sara Jones. She is now engaged in the work of the highest social usefulness, in the mountains of Kentucky, teaching children of the mountaineers. Doctor Jones in December, 1912, married at Greenfield, Miss Blanche Doyle, who graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1904 and taught school for several years there. By this marriage there is one son, Robert John, born at Greenfield, November 22, 1913, a student in the public schools. Doctor and Mrs. Jones are members of the Presbyterian Church.

William E. Thomas, postmaster at Wellston in Jackson County, has been active in local business and public affairs in that community for a number of years and represents one of the prominent families of Welsh ancestry in Southern Ohio.

Mr. Thomas was born at Wellston, February 19, 1881, son of David A. and Mariah J. (Haughay) Thomas. His paternal grandparents were William E. and Mary Thomas, and his maternal grandfather was William Haughay. His grandfather, William E. Thomas, was an iron master in Wales, coming to this country about 1840, and was identified with the old pioneer furnace in Jackson County. David A. Thomas, who died November 11, 1916, was for thirty years local manager in Jackson County for the Singer Sewing Machine Company. He was one of the leaders of musical activities, was director of music in the Methodist Episcopal Church and also a mem-

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ber of the official board of that church. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Royal Arcanum. His widow lives at Columbus, Ohio, and they were the parents of seven children: Cambridge L., who is married and has four children, named John, Claire, Walter and Robert; Claire, who married L. E. Harry; William E.; Walter, Roscoe and Arthur, all deceased; and Miss Hazel.

William E. Thomas graduated from the Wellston High School in 1900, following which he spent a year in the study of instrumental music, specializing in the piano. He was in the musical merchandise business, conducting a general store at Wellston until 1910. On selling out he became assistant postmaster, and on January 1, 1923, was promoted to postmaster. He has been active in republican politics for a number of years, and in the Tenth Congressional District was an active campaigner with Gould, former warden of the State Penitentiary.

Mr. Thomas has also been a leader in athletics, and for a number of years has been a member of the Western and Ohio Football Conferences, being the only member who is not a college graduate. During the World war he was chairman of the local Red Cross, also chairman of the committee having in charge soldiers' release, and was in all the war drives. He is a member of the Rotary Club, the Country Club, was for a number of years secretary of the local Chautauqua Association, and is a Knight Templar Mason and Elk. He belongs to the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Thomas' chief hobby is music. Musical talent has been strong in the family for generations, and all of them have the talents so frequently found among the Welsh. Mr. Thomas organized the Wellston Community Chorus, a non-denominational and non-commercial musical organization that has been brought to a high state of perfection as one of the best singing societies in Ohio. There is a mixed chorus of one hundred members, and a male chorus of fifty. Mr. Thomas is a member of the Eisteddfod Association of Southern Ohio, which held its third annual music festival at Jackson in September, 1924. At that time musical events were held with competitors all over Ohio, there being more than a score of events from chorus work to vocal and instrumental solos. Of the $1,500 or more offered in prizes, the Wellston Community Chorus was awarded a total of $960, including the two major prizes for the mixed chorus and the male chorus.

On June 24, 1908, at Wellston, Mr. Thomas married Mary C. Rupp, daughter of John H. and Lucretia (Jones) Rupp. Her mother died in 1906 and her father in 1910. Her father was a tinsmith, owning a shop at Wellston, and was a Royal Arch Mason and an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Thomas is the second of three daughters, the other two being Louise and Laura. Louise has one son, John. Laura is the wife of H. R. Hausman, and has a daughter, Anna Lu. Mrs. and Mrs. Thomas have one daughter, Catharine.

WILLIAM EDWARD KNAPP, cashier of the Peoples National Bank of Greenfield, has a reputation among the higher bankers as a man of exceptional resources and abilities in building up banking institutions, his record having been made with several banks in Central Ohio. Mr. Knapp began his career as a railroad man, and for a number of years was in the railroad service.

He was born near Lebanon, in Warren County, Ohio, April 10, 1869. His grandparents were natives of Germany, but spent their last days in Ohio. His father, John Knapp, was born at Strasburg, Germany, and came to America in 1849, at the age of eighteen. His wife, Catherine, was also born in Germany, but they were married near Morrow, Ohio.

William Edward Knapp was educated in the public schools of Lebanon and the Academy of Maineville, Ohio, and his years were spent on the farm until the age of nineteen. Learning telegraphy, he was put on the payroll of the Cincinnati division of the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1889. In 1891 the company promoted him to station agent at South Lebanon, and in 1892 made him assistant ticket seller in the main office at Cincinnati, while in 1902 he was advanced to chief ticket seller in that office. Mr. Knapp resigned from the railroad in 1907 to become cashier of the First National Bank of Morrow, but in 1909 he resumed his former position with the Pennsylvania Railroad. In 1910 he again took the post of cashier of the bank at Morrow, and in August, 1912, was made cashier of the Milford National Bank, with its capital of $60,000. Under his management this bank in six years' time increased its deposits from $200,000 to $600,000, with resources of $800,000, and there is every prospect that he will repeat this favorable record as cashier of the Peoples National Bank at Greenfield. This bank was organized in October, 1914, has capital of $60,000 and resources of $900,000. Mr. Knapp is also a stockholder in the First National Bank of Morrow, which has a capital of $25,000 and resources of $225,000. He is a stockholder in the Miami Telephone Company and the Highland Cigar and Tobacco Company. In politics he votes for the best man regardless of party.

Mr. Knapp married Miss Laura Bell Hatwell, who was born at Seymour, Indiana. She is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Knapp have two children. Elmer Edward, born at Cincinnati in 1895, attended the Hyde Park School and the Ohio Mechanics Institute in that city, graduating as a mechanical draftsman. He married Gladys Fishback, who was born in Clermont County, Ohio, in 1896, and they have a son, William Elmer, born in 1920. The second child of Mr. and Mrs. Knapp is Bertha Marjorie, born at Loveland, Ohio, in 1900. She attended the Hyde Park School in Cincinnati, graduated from the Woodward High School there in 1915, and continued her education in Denison University at Granville, Ohio, where she was graduated in the French and English course in 1921. For two years she was an instructor at Denison, and is now teacher of French and English in the McClain High School at Greenfield.

FRANK LEDVINKA worked in coal mines when a boy of twelve years, and his experience as a practical coal miner and as a member of the United Mine Workers of America covers every coal producing state in the Union. Mr. Ledvinka now has a responsible position as president of subdistrict No. 5 of District No. 6 of the United Mine Workers of America. His home is at Bridgeport and his offices in the Miners' Temple at Bellaire.

Mr. Ledvinka was born April 7, 1880, at Hradich, Moravia, in what is now Czecho-Slovakia. His parents were August and Theresa (Barton) Ledvinka, both born near Prague. His mother died in 1883. August Ledvinka, now living retired at Bridgeport, Ohio, was a dyer by trade, and in 1889 became a coal miner in Bohemia. In 1899 he came to the United States, working for a time in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, and after 1900 as a miner in Belmont County, Ohio, until he retired. He was a member of the Huss or Moravian Presbyterian Church in the old country, and the restrictions placed upon worship in that faith were an important cause in his coming to America.

Frank Ledvinka acquired his early limited education in his native country, and his real education has

been the product of experience and self-training. He is a fluent speaker in several languages, and has strong gifts as a persuasive orator. He was reared in a miner's home, and from 1892 to 1897 worked in the mines of Bohemia. In 1897 he went to what is now the famous Ruhr Basin of Germany, working in the mines of that industrial district. In 1899 he came to the United States and in 1900 established his home at Bridgeport, Ohio. He was an employe of the Lorraine Coal and Dock Company, and in 1907 was made an internal organizer of the United Mine Workers of America, his jurisdiction being the State of Washington, with headquarters at Seattle. After nine months he was sent to Trinidad, Colorado, for organization work, and since then has been in every coal producing state in America.

In 1911 Mr. Ledvinka resumed his employment as a miner with the Lorraine Coal and Dock Company, but in October, 1912, was again called to his duties as a union organizer in the fields of West Virginia and Eastern Ohio. On December 1, 1915, he was appointed justice of the peace in Belmont County, and has filled that office for eight months. He became vice president of subdistrict No. 5 of district No. 6 of the United Mine Workers of America on June 15, 1916, and since March 31, 1920, has been president of that subdistrict. He is also a member of the State Miners' Organization.

Mr. Ledvinka has exhibited remarkable enthusiasm in the cause of Americanization, and was largely responsible for the program of naturalizing every foreign born miner in his district during the World war. In war times he acted as a captain in every campaign, speaking in behalf of war activities, and his patriotic record has been met by his eminent public spirit in behalf of every worthy movement in civic affairs in his home locality. He speaks four languages, the German, Bohemian, Slavish and American. He is also a good roads enthusiast, and in politics votes the democratic ticket in national affairs, but otherwise is independent. He is a member of the Czecho-Slovakia Protective Association, the Hussite or Moravian Church, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a past chief ranger of Bridgeport Lodge No. 115 of the Foresters of America.

On August 17, 1903, at Bridgeport, Ohio, Mr. Ledvinka married Miss Anna Beranek, who was born near Salgo, Hungary, and came to the United States at the age of two with her parents, James and Catherine Beranek. Her father has spent forty years in the service of the Lorraine Coal and Dock Company. Mr. and Mrs. Ledvinka have four children, Alice, Bessie, Frank and Helen. Alice and Bessie are graduates of high school and business college, and Frank is a junior in his business college course.

Fred Ware Coyner, of Greenfield, has for over a third of a century been identified with the hardwood lumber industry, manufacturing a product that has been extensively sold and distributed both in the domestic and export trade. Mr. Coyner enjoys a place of exceptional esteem in his home community, where he has done the part of a public spirited citizen at all times.

He was born near Lyndon, in Ross County, Ohio, September 5, 1858, and represents a family that has been in America for upwards of two centuries. His ancestry has been carefully traced back to Germany, where one of his forefathers bore the name of Conrad Kenadt. He was born in Germany in 1682, and spent all of his life in that country. His wife was Anna Maria Johanes. Their son, and founder of the American branch of the family, was Michael Koiner, as his name came to be spelled. He was born in Germany, January 29, 1734, and died in America on November 7, 1796. He and three of his sons served in the Continental Army during the Revolution. His wife was Margaret Diller, who was born in Pennsylvania, in 1734, and died November 18, 1813. Both are buried at the old Coyner Church in Augusta County, Virginia. The next generation was represented by Martin Luther Coyner, who adopted the spelling of the family name as it is today. He was born October 20, 1770, and died at Massy Creek, Augusta County, Virginia, February 9, 1840. His wife was Elizabeth Rhea, who was born November 10, 1765, and died August 10, 1841. They were the parents of Judge Robert Coyner, the grandfather of the Greenfield lumber manufacturer. Judge Coyner was born in Waynesboro, Virginia, July 15, 1794, and came to Ohio in 1837. He served as a soldier in the War of 1812. His death occurred at South Salem, Ohio, July 7, 1874. He married in 1818 Margaret Gwin, who was born in Bath County, Virginia, July 27, 1800, and died November 2, 1847. Her father, Captain David Gwin, was an officer of the American Revolution and became a large Virginia land owner. Silas Coyner, son of Judge Robert Coyner, was born at Waynesboro, in Augusta County, Virginia, January 30, 1825, and spent most of his life in Southern Ohio. He died March 17, 1899, and is buried at Greenfield. On August 16, 1849, he married Matilda Heizer, who was born at Frankfort, Ohio, August 10, 1827, and died February 19, 1875. Their daughter, Harriette Aschraft, with her husband, Edwin Aschraft, are missionaries in China.

Fred Ware Coyner was reared in Ross County, attended public schools there and the academy at South Salem. Up to 1889 his occupation was that of a farmer. That year, moving to Greenfield, he took up the lumber business, and for many years has operated the F. W. Coyner Saw Mill. This was one of the first mills in Southern Ohio to install electric power. The mill is used for cutting hardwood only, and some of its product has been exported to England.

Mr. Coyner from 1890 to 1899 served as a school director of Fayette County. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and active in Sunday School, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen of America and the Improved Order of Red Men. Politically he votes republican.

He married Miss Clara Pommert, who was born March 8, 1859. She graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1875. For five years she was a teacher in the schools of Ross and Fayette counties. Her parents were John Nicholas and Elizabeth Pommert. Mr. and Mrs. Coyner have two talented daughters.

Elvina Pearl, who was born in Ross County, near Greenfield, July 11, 1883, graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1903, and prior to her marriage taught for six years in Greenfield. During the World war, owing to a shortage of teachers, she again took up teaching, and she is now primary supervisor of the public schools in that city. She is also a member of the Board of School Examiners, is president of the local chapter of the Children of the American Revolution, is past president of the Woman's Relief Corps, and is an officer in the Daughters of the American Revolution and the United States Daughters of 1812. She was married at Greenfield, December 25, 1909, to Mr. Charles T. Hiser. He was born December 31, 1876, son of Allen T. and Barbara (Cummings) Hiser. Mr. Hiser was educated near Marshall, Ohio, was for ten years a teacher in Highland County, and is now in the insurance business. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, is a democrat, a Presbyterian and active in its Sunday school. Mr. and Mrs. Hiser have one son, Charles Frederick Hiser, born at Greenfield October 3, 1911, now a student in the McClain High School.

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Mabel Elizabeth Coyner, the second daughter, was born in Fayette County, May 3, 1889. She graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1908, and finished the course and received the degree of Master of Expression in the Ohio Northern University at Ada. She did high school work at Oak Hill, West Virginia, and has given many public readings over Ohio and West Virginia. On May 3, 1914, she was married to Mr. Fred Hampton Broyles at Oak Hill, West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Broyles now live in Los Angeles, California, where he is in the insurance business. They have three children: Ned Lee, born at Ironton, Ohio, May 20, 1915; Joan, born at Ironton, October 30, 1916; and June Rose, born at Los Angeles, March 23, 1922.

William Harris Ambrose, M. D. Several Ohio communities, including his native city of Cincinnati, have had the benefit of the skill and experience as a physician and surgeon of Dr. William Harris Ambrose, now of Greenfield. Doctor Ambrose has regarded his profession as a big opportunity for service. He was among the early ones to volunteer as a medical officer in the World war, was on duty abroad more than a year after the armistice, and remained in the army for two years longer.

He was born in Cincinnati September 17, 1878. His grandfather, August Ambrose, a native of Louisville, Kentucky, was the inventor of the first Bed Lounge and received a patent from the United States patent office on that invention. He died at Cincinnati in 1890. His wife was Marie Shafer, who died at the age of seventy years. Charles Ambrose, father of Doctor Ambrose, was born at Louisville, Kentucky, October 14, 1853, and though only a boy at the time acted as a drummer boy with the Cincinnati regiment during the Civil war. He is now a resident of Greenfield, at the age of seventy-one. He married Sophia Belle Hasenkamp, who was born in Cincinnati, in 1856.

William Harris Ambrose attended public schools at Cincinnati, graduating from high school in 1892. After a three years' course he graduated with the Master of Arts degree in 1896 from Miami University at Oxford Ohio, and then entered the Eclectic Medical College at Cincinnati, taking his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1899. He continued his education in the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery, graduating in 1900. From 1901 to 1907 he had a busy round of practice in Cincinnati. In 1908, following a special post-graduate course on diseases of children, he resumed the practice of medicine at New Petersburg, Ohio. In 1911 he spent six months in the Johns Hopkins University Medical School at Baltimore, and continued his practice with growing success and prestige at New Petersburg until the spring of 1917. Doctor Ambrose in April, 1917, immediately after America declared war against Germany, volunteered as a medical officer, and after examination was commissioned a first lieutenant in May of the same year and detailed for further training at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana. In August came his transfer to Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois, where he was assigned to the Eighty-sixth Division, at first as surgeon of the Three Hundred and Thirty-first Field Artillery and later with the Three Hundred and Thirty-second Machine Gun Battalion. While at Camp Grant on November 11, 1917, he was promoted to the rank of captain. His battalion went overseas in the spring of 1918, landing at Southampton, England, where he was detained several weeks on account of a severe outbreak of influenza among the troops. In August the battalion embarked for LaHavre, France, thence to Asque, at which place he was notified that he had been promoted to major, a promotion based upon his fidelity and efficiency in dealing with the influenza epidemic at Southampton. About this time came a transfer to the Fourth Division, and as acting surgeon of the Eleventh Machine Gun Battalion he was stationed at Saint Mihiel, and was all through the critical campaign of the Argonne, seeing the horrors of war in his capacity as a surgeon on the field. His post of duty was in the Argonne until the armistice, following which his division advanced towards Germany and in December was stationed in the rear of the famous Rainbow Division. In the spring of 1919, when the Rainbow Division returned to the United States, his division replaced it on duty on the Rhine. In August, 1919, Doctor Ambrose with his command was ordered home, landing at Hoboken, New Jersey, was first sent to Camp Mills, then to Camp Dodge at Des Moines, Iowa, and remaining in the service his command in the spring of 1920 was ordered to Gary, Indiana, as part of the Federal troops assigned to keep order during the great steel strike. Doctor Ambrose from there was sent to Chicago as attending surgeon of the Fifth Corps Area, and in August, 1920, was sent to Fort Brown at Brownsville, Texas, and early in the following year became surgeon of the Fourth Cavalry at San Benito, Texas. In November, 1921, he resigned his commission with the army and received an honorable discharge in December of the same year at Camp Sherman, Ohio, leaving the service after more than four years of active duty, his final discharge becoming effective within thirty miles of New Petersburg, where he had started his military experience.

Doctor Ambrose at present is a major in the United States Army Medical Reserve Corps, attached to the Three Hundred and Eighth Regiment of the Eighty-third Division. Since leaving the army he has engaged in a general practice as a physician and surgeon at Greenfield.

Doctor Ambrose married at Cincinnati, April 14, 1898, Miss Helen Stevenson. Her father in 1888 was elected mayor of Cincinnati. She was educated in the public schools of Cincinnati, graduating from the Hughes High School in 1897, and continued her education in the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. Doctor and Mrs. Ambrose have one daughter, Georgia, born at Cincinnati, April 17, 1899. She finished her education in the McClain High School at Greenfield and is now the wife of Charles Davis, Jr., of Greenfield, and the mother of one daughter, Betty Jean Davis, born in 1922.

Charles Buchanan Messerly, M. D. Engaged in practice as a physician and surgeon at Martins Ferry for twenty years, Doctor Messerly brought to his profession not only a thorough technical training but the character and personality that are essential to real proficiency in that field.

Doctor Messerly was born at Clarington, in Monroe County, Ohio, October 15, 1878. His grandfather, Abram Messerly, settled in Monroe County in 1852. William Warren Messerly, father of Doctor Messerly, was born in Herkimer County, New York, May 15, 1849, and has spent most of his life at Clarington. He learned the cigarmaking trade, and for a number of years conducted a cigar factory, but is now retired. He has held several local offices, is a democrat, is secretary of Clarington Lodge No. 597 of the Masonic Order, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Christian Church. During the Civil war he was employed on boats on the Ohio River. William W. Messerly married, October 23, 1873, Martha J. Sterling. She was born at Pittsburgh, March 8, 1847, and died in 1896. She was the mother of three sons and one daughter, Doctor Messerly being the second in age.

As a boy his ambitions led him to prepare and utilize his opportunities for a professional career. He

attended the public schools of Clarington, and as a means of supplementing his meager finances he sold papers and herded cattle, clerked in a drug store and used his leisure time in reading medicine. Later he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1902. He served his interneship in hospitals at Baltimore and Wheeling, and for about two years was engaged in practice in the West Virginia oil field around Mole Hill. In 1904 he located at Martins Ferry, where most of his professional work has been done. Doctor Messerly during the World war was commissioned a captain in the Medical Reserve Corps, and attended a special course of instruction for military surgeons at Camp Greenleaf, this training course being conducted by a group of famous allied doctors. He was honorably discharged December 22, 1919. Doctor Messerly is a member of the Belmont County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and is a member of the surgical staff of the Martins Ferry Hospital. Doctor Messerly is a professional man who has a real interest in humanity, apart from technical interest implied in his profession.

Since 1906 he has taken a lively interest in educational affairs at Martins Ferry. He has done much to improve and raise the standards of high school athletics. In 1911 he became a member of the Martins Ferry School Board, and while on the board the Elms, North, Mackey and Charles R. Shreve school buildings were constructed, and some of the old ones were remodeled and a few portable schoolhouses installed. Doctor Messerly gets his recreation by travel, and believes in seeing America first. He is a member of the American Legion, is a deacon of the Baptist Church, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a democrat in politics. He served one term as county coroner of Belmont County, 1910-1912

He married, at Wheeling, West Virginia, June 25, 1902, Miss Nannie R. Whetzel, of Clarington, Ohio, daughter of Singleton and Sophia (Smith) Whetzel. Her mother lives at Martins Ferry. Her father, who died in 1896, was for some years a steward on Ohio River steamboats. Mrs. Messerly takes a prominent part in church work, clubs, the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion, and is a leader in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the King's Daughters' Society. Dr. and Mrs. Messerly have two sons, Warren William and Charles Donald.

Arthur Dwight Hufford, the efficient cashier of the First National Bank of Bremen, Fairfield County, was born in Perry County, Ohio, December 12, 1880, and is a scion of a family that was founded in Ohio in the very early pioneer days, when this state was on the very frontier of civilization. Daniel Hufford, great-grandfather of the subject of this review, passed his entire life in Ohio, as did also his son, Daniel, Jr., whose wife, Elizabeth (Blosser) Hufford, likewise was a lifelong resident of the old Buckeye State, they having been the grandparents of he whose name initiates this paragraph. The maternal grandparents of Arthur D. Hufford were Samuel and Sarah (Houtz) Van Atta, and both were representatives of sterling Holland Dutch families early founded in America.

Arthur D. Hufford is a son of John Wesley Hufford and Jane (Van Atta) Hufford, who now maintain their home in Bremen, Ohio, the father being one of the substantial retired farmers of Fairfield County. John W. Hufford has been influential in public affairs in his township, and gave effective service as a member of the school board of his district. He and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Of their three children Arthur D., of this sketch, is the eldest; Daisy is the wife of Edgar Henry, and they have four children, Paul, Helen, Neil and Margaret; Bessie is the wife of Roland Brown, and their three children are Gene, June and Roland Lee.

After having attended the public schools at Bremen, Arthur D. Hufford took a course of higher study in Denison University at Granville. Thereafter he made a record of nine years of effective service as a teacher in the public schools, including high schools, and upon retiring from the pedagogic profession he assumed the position of assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Bremen, of which solid and well-ordered institution he has been the cashier since 1911.

In the period of American participation in the World war Mr. Hufford was active and influential in the advancing of patriotic work and service in Fairfield County, and was chairman of committees that had charge of the local drives in support of the Government war loans and savings stamps. He is a liberal and progressive citizen of Bremen, and has given effective service as a member of the municipal water board and also the local Board of Education. He is an active member of the Bremen Chamber of Commerce, is a republican in political allegiance and is a member of the local automobile club. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church of Bremen, Ohio, of which he is superintendent of the Sunday school and president of the official board.

October 12, 1910, recorded the marriage of Mr. Hufford and Miss Eva Raab, daughter of Casper and Susan (Bodamer) Raab, who are well-known residents of Fairfield County, where Mr. Raab is a substantial farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Raab have six children: Otto married Freda Young and their one child is a daughter, Laverne; Christie is married and has one daughter, Lillian; Enno married Ethel King and they have two children; Adolph married Marguerite Lacey; Margaret is the wife of W. A. Ellinger, and they have six children; and Eva, wife of Arthur D. Hufford, of this review. Mr. and Mrs. Hufford have four children, all of whom were born at Bremen, Ohio, as follows: Beatrice Juanita, October 20, 1913; Dwight Eberlie, September 5, 1915; Arthur Carl, September 17, 1920, and Albert Dean, April 1, 1923.

William Miller deserved his chief distinction for his pioneer leadership in the horticultural development of Ottawa County, where he lived a long and very useful life and where he deserves a grateful memory.

He was born at Gypsum in Portage Township, Ottawa County, February 4, 1844. His father, Henry J. Miller, a native of Columbia County, New York, moved to Ohio in 1808. The mother was Susan (Wonnell) Miller, a native of Worcester County, Maryland, who came to Ohio in 1828.

William Miller acquired a common school education near his native home, and subsequently spent two years in the Baldwin University at Berea, Ohio. He was about seventeen years of age when the Civil war broke out and he served for a time as a private in Company K of the One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry.

William Miller was the first man to grow peaches commercially in Portage Township, the credit for that pioneer horticultural effort being rendered him by the Ohio Horticultural Society. He planted his first orchard in 1868, and throughout his life he kept adding and developing to his own private fruit growing interests and set an example and encouraged other fruit growers. He was the man who introduced the Elberta peach into his section, now famous

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as a peach growing center. He had been a very successful farmer before fruit growing became so widely spread in Ottawa County, yet horticulture was always his hobby and chief delight. Elberta peaches, Bartlett pears and Baldwin apples were his main money crops. He took great interest in growing new and old varieties of fruits, budding, grafting and observing their growth. He had charge of the Ottawa County Fruit Exhibit at the Ohio Centennial in 1888.

By hard work, thrift, methodical ways and business sagacity, Mr. Miller acquired his independence. His country home at Gypsum, where he always lived, was one of which any man in Ohio might well be proud. It was in this home that he passed away January 28, 1914, then nearly seventy years of age.

To him came more honors than come to most men in a busy life, yet he deserved them all. In 1888 he was chosen a member of the Electoral College which placed Benjamin Harrison in the White House. He was for two years, 1901-02, president of the Ohio State Horticultural Society and for ten years, 1901-11, was a member of the Ohio State Board of Agriculture. By outwitting two rivals, he was elected a "dry" delegate from a "wet" county to the constitutional convention in 1911. He was a republican, a member of the Masonic order and a life long member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

William Miller married at Marblehead, Ohio, January 12, 1874, Lida Pettit Alexander, who died May 3, 1923. There were two children: a son, Henry A. Miller, who married Alma B. Mackey of Port Clinton and resides at the Miller homestead at Gypsum; and a daughter, Mrs. Mary M. Matthews, of Port Clinton.

Charles Blaine Keigley, mayor of Mount Vernon, represents a pioneer family of Knox County, where its members have been influential people for several generations.

His great-grandfather, Adam Keigley, was a native of Pennsylvania and moved to Knox County while most of this region was in a state of wilderness. The grandfather, Jacob Morgan Keigley, Sr., was born just outside Mount Vernon in Knox County and married Amelia Disney, who was born in Maryland, where her parents were also natives. Jacob Morgan Keigley, Jr., who was born at Mount Vernon, June 25, 1847, and died January 3, 1909, served two years as chief of police of Mount Vernon. He married Hester Garrison on October 5, 1884. She was born at Newcastle in Coshocton County, Ohio, July 2, 1851, being the youngest of a family of eight children born to George Washington Garrison and Lucinda Murphy, his wife. Her parents were natives of Virginia, where their respective parents were also born and George Washington Garrison was a second cousin of President George Washington. George Washington Garrison was a slave owner in Virginia and in 1836 came from that state to Ohio. Two sons of George Washington Garrison, Andrew Jackson and George Washington, Jr., were Union soldiers in the Civil war. To the marriage of Jacob Morgan Keigley, Jr., and Hester Garrison were born two children, Charles Blaine Keigley, on October 3, 1885, and Amelia Lucinda Keigley, born April 28, 1888.

Charles Blaine Keigley was educated in the public schools at Mount Vernon. While in his junior year at high school at the age of seventeen he left school, going to work, and four years later took an advanced business course in Mount Vernon Business College. He spent four years noted in the transfer business, then for three years was employed in a local grocery store, and for eleven and one-half years was in the service of the C. & G. Cooper Company.

Mr. Keigley served as city councilman of Mount Vernon from 1919 to 1921. In November, 1921, he was elected on the republican ticket for mayor for a term of two years, and in November, 1923, was reelected for the second term, which expires January 1, 1926. He has given a most vigorous administration, acting always with full consideration of the needs and welfare of the community.

Mr. Keigley is affiliated with Lodge No. 45, Knights of Pythias, serving as chancellor commander of Timon lodge in 1924. He is also a member of the local Young Men's Christian Assocation and the Methodist Protestant Church. He married at Utica, Ohio, July 3, 1910, Miss Bessie Mae Filloon, daughter of John and Martha Hiner Filloon, being the only child of her parents. She was two months old when her father died and her mother, who subsequently was married to Joe D. Hull, died in January, 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Keigley have one son, Glenn Blaine Keigley, born October 10, 1918.

Robert William Schulenberg, M. D. A Belmont County physician and surgeon whose work has been done at Bridgeport and vicinity since he left medical college. Mr. Schulenberg is a very able man in his profession, particularly in obstetrics and children's diseases.

He was born at Covington, Kentucky, May 11, 1890, son of Charles H. and Margaret (Woods) Schulenberg, also natives of Kentucky, his father born at Paris and his mother at Covington. Charles H. Schulenberg was a manufacturer of art glass at Covington, devoted five years to farming, and in 1903 moved to Columbus, Ohio, where he is now associated with the Empire Glass Company in the manufacture of art glass. He is a republican in politics and a member of the Baptist Church.

Robert William Schulenberg, one of two children, was educated in country schools near Covington, Kentucky, in the high school at Columbus, Ohio, and took his medical work in Starling, Ohio, Medical College, where was graduated in 1914. He spent one year as resident house physician in Saint Francis Hospital, and in 1915 located at Bridgeport. The bulk of his practice is obstetrics and pediatrics, on the staff of the Martins Ferry Hospital. Doctor Schulenberg is a member of the Belmont County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

He did his part as a professional man and citizen in the various war activities, and is interested in the civic improvement program in his home community. He is a republican, a member of Saint Luke's Episcopal Church, and in Masonry is affiliated with Bridgeport Lodge No. 181, Belmont Chapter No. 140, Royal Arch Masons, Hope Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar, and Osiris Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

May 16, 1918, Doctor Schulenberg married Miss Ellen Freter, of Bridgeport. Their three children are named Robert William, Jr., Charles H. and Margaret Augusta.

Abel C. Briggs, who holds the chair of mathematics in Wilmington College, at Wilmington, Clinton County, is a man who has proved that scholastic associations and service do not preclude the effective exercise of important executive functions in connection with business affairs of broad scope and importance, and in evidence of this is his incumbency of the office of president of the Champion Bridge Company, one of the leading industrial concerns of Wilmington. His ability as an expert mathematician has enabled him to handle and solve many problems in connection with the contracts handled by this corporation, which manufactures structural iron and gives special attention to the building of bridges, he

having served the company in an engineering capacity for a long period prior to becoming its president. The Champion Bridge Company controls a business that extends into the most diverse sections of the United States, in the erecting of both railroad and highway bridges of steel and iron, and while Professor Briggs gives to this company much time and executive direction, he continues to do most effective service as a member of the faculty of Wilmington College, an institution to which his loyalty is unqualified.

Professor Briggs is a native son of Clinton County and a representative of two of the honored pioneer families of the county—the Briggs and the Clevengers. His paternal grandfather, Abel Briggs, of English lineage, came to Clinton County from New Jersey, and the Clevenger family has here been established fully a century, as may be seen by reference to personal sketches appearing on other pages of this work.

Prof. Abel C. Briggs was born in Clinton County, Ohio, and is a son of Samuel and Catherine (Clevenger) Briggs, the other children having been Alonzo, Jerome, Eldorado and Sarah. All of the children are now deceased, except the subject of this sketch and his brother Eldorado, who is a leading physician and surgeon at Wilmington. Professor Briggs is indebted to the public schools for his earlier education, which was supplemented by a higher course of study in the University of Cincinnati, and he early developed special ability in mathematics, in the various branches of which science he is now a recognized authority. The generic political faith of the Briggs family has been that represented by the democratic party, but in political affairs Professor Briggs maintains an independent attitude and supports men and measures meeting the approval of his judgment, he being in full accord with the policy of national prohibition of the liquor traffic and being confident that the prohibition law will continue an integral part of the national constitution. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and he and his family hold membership in the Society of Friends, in which he is a birthright member.

Professor Briggs wedded Miss Ethel Cast, who likewise was born and reared in Clinton County and who is a daughter of Simeon S. and Mary D. (Villars) Cast. The name of the Cast family has been prominently and worthily identified with the history of Clinton County since the early pioneer period. Professor and Mrs. Briggs have three children, Mary Estelle, Lucile and Ronald, all of whom were graduated in the Wilmington High School. Mary Estelle, who remains at the parental home, is a graduate of Wilmington College; Lucile is the wife of Hubert A. Barrett, and they have one son, Hubert Briggs Barrett; Ronald Briggs, the only son, is associated with his father in the directing of the affairs of the Champion Bridge Company.

Oscar A. Stephens is engaged in the practice of law in the City of Warren, judicial center of Trumbull County, and has secure status as one of the sterling and successful members of the bar of his native county, his birth having occurred at Hubbard, this county, July 19, 1888, and his preliminary education having been acquired in the public schools of that attractive little village. He is a son of Alverton L. and Rachel (Anderson) Stephens, the former of whom was born at Coitsville, Mahoning County, Ohio, in 1858, and the latter of whom was born near New Bedford, Pennsylvania, in the same year.

Alverton L. Stephens was reared on a farm in his native county, and that he is a representative of one of the pioneer families of Mahoning County is evident when it is stated that his father, Demaranda Bucyrus Stephens, was there born, at Coitsville, May 14, 1834, a son of John Stephens, who came to America from England, his father, Robert Stephens, who married Joanna Price, having accompanied him, but having established residence on the island of Jamaica. John Stephens settled near Stonesboro, Pennsylvania, and later he made a voyage down the Ohio River into Ohio, where he married a young woman named Cohoon, December 23, 1815. He finally established himself as a pioneer farmer in Mahoning County, this state, where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives.

Demaranda B. Stephens was reared on the pioneer farm near Coitsville, and he long continued to be numbered among the substantial and representative farmers and lumbermen of Mahoning County. In 1899 he retired from his farm and removed to Hubbard, Trumbull County, where he passed the remainder of his life, his death having there occurred December 2, 1914. At Coitsville was solemnized his marriage to Miss Mary Kimmell, daughter of Tobias and Rebecca Kimmell, who was born at Struthers, Mahoning County, Ohio, May 10, 1836, and who died in the same year as did her husband, December 6, 1914.

Alverton L. Stephens continued his active alliance with farm industry in Mahoning County until July, 1881, when he removed to Hubbard, Trumbull County, and engaged as a school teacher and in contract teaming and horse business. He served as mayor of Hubbard and was otherwise influential in community affairs, he having remained at Hubbard until November, 1920, when he removed to Warren. He and his wife here maintain their home at 318 Porter Avenue, both being active members of the First Baptist Church. He is a republican in political adherency, and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mae N., eldest of the children, is the wife of Clarence E. Crum, an auditor for the Carnegie Steel Company, and they reside in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Charles A. resides at Hubbard, where he is station agent of the Erie Railroad; Oscar A., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; and Belle Ruth is the wife of Raymond Corll, chief timekeeper for the Republic Iron & Steel Company at Youngstown, Ohio.

After having attended the Hubbard High School one year Oscar A. Stephens completed his course in the Rayen High School at Youngstown, in which he was graduated in 1908. He was thereafter a student for one year at Denison University, Granville, Ohio, and he then returned to Youngstown and took a position in the payroll and time department of the local plant of the Carnegie Steel Company. A year later he entered Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and in the law department of this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1913. While attending the law school in vacation periods he gave effective playground service in connection with the city playground and park commission of Youngstown, Ohio, and he later had supervision of the building and equipping of the Steelton playgrounds at Youngstown.

Mr. Stephens was admitted to the bar in June, 1913, the month in which he graduated from the university, and his initial work in his profession was done at Youngstown, where he had his law offices in the Wick Building. There he continued in practice until he entered the World war service. In June, 1918, he was assigned to an infantry regiment at Camp Sherman, near Chillicothe, and there he continued in active service until June of the following year, when he received his honorable discharge, with the rank of first sergeant. He then resumed the

practice of law at Youngstown, but in January, 1920, he removed to Warren and became junior member of the law firm of The Gillmers & Stephens. The firm name is now Gillmer, Gillmer, Stephens & Patchin, and this is recognized as one of the strong and representative law firms of Trumbull County, with a practice of broad scope and importance and with spacious offices on the second and third floors of the Union Savings & Trust Company Building.

Mr. Stephens is a stalwart advocate of the principles for which the republican party stands sponsor, and he and his wife are zealous members of the First Baptist Church of Warren, he being superintendent of its Sunday school. Here he is affiliated with Old Erie Lodge, No. 3, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and Ali Baba Grotto of the Veiled Prophets. He is a member of the local Rotary Club, and is a past commander of Clarence Hyde Post, No. 278, American Legion, besides being a past vice commander of Hubbard Post, No. 51, at Hubbard, of which he was a charter member. He has membership in the Ohio State Bar Association, is affiliated with the Sigma Chi college fraternity, is a director of the Warren Automobile Club and chairman of its legislative committee, and he is a former president of the Youngstown Club of Ohio State University. While a student in the university he was a member of the "Varsity" baseball team, with which he played shortstop and second base in 1913, the first year in which Ohio University held membership in the Western Conference and a year in which its baseball club made an excellent record. While attending the Rayen High School at Youngstown, Mr. Stephens was for three years a member of its baseball team, of which he was captain in 1908.

At Howell, Michigan, September 3, 1919, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Stephens to Miss Alice Josephine Heeg, daughter of Charles and Bertha Heeg, who reside on their fine farm estate near that place. Mr. Heeg gives special attention to the breeding of fine cattle, and has on his farm one of Michigan's best herds of registered Holstein cattle. Mrs. Stephens was reared on a farm and has retained deep interest in the basic industries of agriculture and stock-growing, her knowledge of the same having been augmented by her experience as a student in the celebrated Michigan Agricultural College, at Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Stephens have three children, whose names and respective dates of birth are here recorded: Betsy Jane, June 8, 1920; Claribel, October 10, 1921; and Joseph, July 31, 1923.

Clyde Allison Waltz has been engaged in educational work for twenty years and particularly since he took the superintendency of the schools at Xenia, his achievements have attracted attention from educators all over the country.

Mr. Waltz was born at Bluffton, Ohio, December 10, 1884, son of Lewis and Margaret (Greene) Waltz, and is a descendant of Frederick Reinhardt Waltz, who came to America in Colonial times from his native Switzerland, having been banished from his native land because of his opposition to the encroachment by the government upon religious and political liberty. The story of this ancestor and many of his descendants has been published in the Waltz family history and genealogy. Mr. Waltz's paternal ancestry goes back to Revolutionary war times, while his mother is direct descendant of the same family as Gen. Nathaniel Greene of the Revolution. One of the collateral ancestors of Mr. Waltz had a Tory wife who forsook him because he served in the American army during the War for Independence. Lewis Waltz has been a farmer and live stock merchant and has held chairs in the National Union and Royal Arcanum.

Clyde Allison Waltz graduated from the Bluffton High School in 1903, and during the next seven years taught school, the greater part of the time serving as school principal. He graduated in 1912 from Ohio Northern University with the degree of Bachelor of Science, and in 1916 the Ohio State University conferred upon him the degree Bachelor of Education. He has also been a student in Columbia University Teachers' College.

From 1912 to 1916 he was superintendent of schools at Rockford, Ohio, and from 1916 to 1919 was superintendent of the schools of Grand View Heights, a wealthy suburb of Columbus. Then in 1919 he became superintendent of the Xenia city schools. For the past three years he has also taught education in the summer schools of Wilmington College. He has some unusual gifts as a speaker and on account of his successful educational experience, has been frequently engaged to deliver addresses of a general nature for commencement.

Mr. Waltz is affiliated with the Masonic order, the Knights of Pythias, the Rotary Club, is on the official board of the Methodist Church at Xenia and teacher of the Woman's Bible Class in the Sunday school. He married at Bluffton, July 30, 1907, Miss Mabel Zehrbach. They have two children, Olin and Evan, both pupils in the Xenia public schools.

The accomplishments of Superintendent Waltz at Xenia which have attracted particular attention have been the introduction of the three-group plan and the organization of the Opportunity School. At the same time he has carried out a program of modern school buildings at a cost of $550,000, so that Xenia today possesses the best equipped schools in the state. He introduced the three-group plan after Miss Clara Martin had given the test for such a classification, and during the four years the plan has been in force, it has been demonstrated as successful to the point of marking an epoch in public education. The subject was discussed in the Ohio State University bulletin under date of August 31, 1923. Dr. A. E. Winship, the editor of the New England Journal of Education, in the issue of February 16, 1922, stated that Mr. Waltz was giving as much thought, skill and time to the direction of education in a city of 10,000 as would be required in a city of 100,000.

Miss Martin's tests conducted through the department of Educational Research classifies the pupils as slow, medium and fast. The Opportunity School affords the slowest pupil a chance to do the maximum amount of work of which he is capable, and at the same time affords relief to other departments. In this Opportunity School slow pupils are allowed to spend twenty-five minutes privately with teachers at stated intervals. This Opportunity School has received the hearty endorsement and support of all organizations. The pupil is trained for the particular work for which he is suited, and the aims of the department are to make the student self supporting and prepare him for citizenship. Among other results, many students in this department find remunerative employment during vacation and return to their work with renewed energy and new ambition.

Miss Mae Harper, principal of the Junior High School, and Miss Martin have introduced Student Government into their departments under Superintendent Waltz. All work of the public schools above the third grade is departmentalized. This self government feature has proved wonderfully successful, eliminating the necessity for punishment on the part of teachers and affording a direct training in citizenship. The government is modeled after the city plan of government in Xenia, elections of officers being held monthly, while acts of the Legislature and Congress are discussed in class and out of class.

HARRISON ARTHUR COLEMAN, M. D. Since 1911 a resident of New Philadelphia, Doctor Coleman has earned many distinctions as an able physician and surgeon and as a popular and progressive citizen, and he held the rank of major for service as a medical officer during the World war, being stationed on duty in the Hawaiian Islands.

Doctor Coleman was born at Springboro, Warren County, Ohio, July 19, 1886, son of Louis F. and Mira (Maltbie) Coleman, who were also born and reared in Warren County. His grandfather, Asa Coleman, was a native of the same county, and married Miss Coulson. Mira Maltbie was a daughter of Arthur and Nancy J. (Moses) Maltbie. In lineage the Colemans are of Welsh and English and Irish extraction, the Coulsons of English, the Maltbie and Moses families of old New Jersey stock, probably English. All these families have been in America since before the Revolutionary war. Doctor Coleman's father is now past seventy-two years of age, and has given his active life to educational work.

The only child of his parents, Harrison Arthur Coleman grew up at Springboro, graduated from the high school there, and then entered Ohio Wesleyan University, where he took his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1906. The Master of Arts degree was awarded him by Ohio Wesleyan in 1910, the same year that he received his Doctor of Medicine degree from Western Reserve University at Cleveland. Doctor Coleman in 1911 located at New Philadelphia. While engaged in the general practice of medicine and surgery his talents have proved most effective as a surgeon. He is a member of the medical staff of the hospital of New Philadelphia, and is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Coleman was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and on May 31, 1917, was called to active duty, being sent to the Hawaiian Islands. He reported at Honolulu for garrison duty, and was stationed at the Schofield barracks from June 5, 1917, until the latter part of May, 1919. He was promoted to captain, and for the last seventeen months of his service held the rank of major. Doctor Coleman was in the service for two years, and on getting his honorable discharge returned to New Philadelphia and resumed private practice. He is a member of the American Legion, is a Knights Templar Mason, belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kiwanis Club, the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a lieutenant colonel in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army. Doctor Coleman has served on the City Council of New Philadelphia, and is a republican in politics. He is a director in the Canton Brick and Fireproofing Company.

In 1912 he married Miss Margaret E. Campbell, a native of Prince Edward Island, Canada. Their two children are Robert L. and Norman A.

ALFRED A. LOVETT, M. D. For more than forty-five years the community of Eaton, in Preble County, has enjoyed the services of a high class physician and surgeon in the person of Dr. Alfred A. Lovett. Doctor Lovett graduated from Medical College in the Centennial year of 1876, and since the first two years has practiced in Preble County.

He was born near Colerain, Hamilton County, Ohio, August 14, 1849, and is of English ancestry, the Lovett family record in England going back to the time of William the Conqueror. His father, William Taylor Lovett, was born in Leicestershire, England, in 1808, coming to the United States when a young man, and for many years engaged in farming. He was a man of upright character, and died in 1878. The mother of Doctor Lovett was Eliza Ann Larrison, of Holland Dutch ancestry. She was born near Cincinnati in 1811, and died in 1893. These parents had two sons and four daughters.

Alfred A. Lovett, during his early infancy, was taken by his parents to Franklin County, Indiana, and lived the first sixteen years of his life on their farm near Brookville. The family then returned to Ohio, and located at Oxford, where Doctor Lovett, who had attended public schools in Indiana, continued his education in Miami University. He is an honor graduate of that old and splendid institution of learning, receiving both the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in 1873, and his scholarship record made him a member of the fraternity Phi Beta Kappa. During the year following his graduation, while acting as superintendent of schools at Goodland, Indiana, he took up the study of medicine, and in the fall of 1874, entered the Hahnemann Medical College at Philadelphia, where he graduated in March, 1876. Doctor Lovett for two years practiced medicine at Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, giving up his practice to return home during the last illness of his father. Shortly after his father's death he located at Eaton, and has been continuously represented in the professional work of that vicinity ever since. For many years Doctor Lovett was the only homeopathic physician in that county. He is a member of both the Ohio Homeopathic Society and the Ohio State Medical Society, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a Shriner. Politically he is a republican. For several years he was a member and president of the Eaton Board of Education. Doctor Lovett in connection with his medical practice owns and gives his supervision to a fine farm in Preble County.

He married, in 1880, Miss Nettie F. Minor, whose father, Dr. W. H. H. B. Minor, long enjoyed an enviable place in the medical profession. Doctor and Mrs. Lovett are members of the Presbyterian Church. They had two children, a son, W. Lloyd E., who died several years ago, and a daughter, Martha L., who is the wife of Walter E. McWhinney. Mr. McWhinney is in the automobile business at Richmond, Indiana. Doctor and Mrs. Lovett have two grandchildren, William W. and Francis Elizabeth.

JOHN RUSH PHILSON, M. D., is a physician and and surgeon at Racine, in Meigs County. Being the only member of his profession in the east end of that Ohio River county, he is the first and last authority on all matters of health, but has been equally useful to the people as an adviser, and not infrequently nurse to those suffering grave illness.

Sometimes he designates himself as John Rush Philson III. His grandfather was Dr. John Rush Philson. He also had an uncle to bear the same name and who practiced in Racine, and until his death the younger physician left out his middle name so as to avoid confusion in mail matters.

John Rush Philson III was born at Racine, May 31, 1876, son of Prof. Lewis W. and Augusta (Cowdrey) Philson. His grandfather, John Rush Philson, was born in Pennsylvania and moved out to Meigs County, Ohio, as agent for wooden wheel clocks. Liking the people and the country he concluded to make it his home, studied medicine, attending Starling Medical College, and during the Civil war went into the army as surgeon for the Fourth West Virginia Infantry. He served two terms in the State Senate from this district. This regiment was made up largely of Ohio troops. In the battle of Bayou Sara, Louisiana, he had a skull fractured. The Fourth West Virginia saw a great deal of heavy service and made an enviable record. John

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D. B. Hartinger

Rush Philson before the war was a staunch abolitionist and was one of the conductors on the underground railroad assisting many fugitive slaves to freedom. He became president of the Antiquity Salt Company and other local enterprises, was an advocate of good roads, and once as a joke his neighbors elected him road supervisor. To square the joke he made all of them do their full legal duty in working the roads, and the result was that he was not reelected. He was a charter member of the local Masonic lodge and its first master, and a devout Methodist. The older Dr. John Rush Philson died in 1878 when sixty-five years of age. He married Cynthia Redding of Meigs County, who lived to the advanced age of ninety-four. One of their sons was Dr. John Rush Philson, Jr., already mentioned, who graduated from Starling Medical College at Columbus, and practiced medicine until his death in 1919. The daughter, Margaret, has for many years been the widow of Charles McIlroy, of Racine, an old soldier of the Rebellion.

Prof. Lewis W. Philson, father of the present Doctor Philson, was a graduate of Marietta College and all his life was devoted to affairs of scholarship and education. For a time he was professor of mathematics in the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. He served forty years as Meigs County school examiner, as principal of the Ravenswood, West Virginia schools, and of the schools at Pomeroy. In no small measure is it true that the modern school system of Meigs County respects the wisdom of his efforts as an educator. He was not only a mathematician, but proficient in the classic languages and the modern tongues of German and French. He was deeply interested in pupils who were willing to learn and exercised a splendid influence in his generation. He was master of the local Masonic lodge and chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias, and for years held the office of mayor of Racine. Prof. Lewis W. Philson died in 1918 when seventy-three years of age. His wife, Augusta (Cowdrey) Philson, died in 1909 at the age of fifty-eight. Like her husband she was a teacher. Her father, Nelson Cowdrey, was of an old Connecticut family while her mother came from Germany. Prof. Lewis W. Philson and wife had nine children, five sons and five daughters: Clara, the oldest, wife of Eber Cross, of Alexandria, Ohio; Dr. John Rush; Alban D., of Mercer County, Pennsylvania; Mabel and Mary, both graduates of the Nurses' Training School at Cincinnati, and who during the World war were overseas as training nurses at Base Hospital No. 25, Mabel still being in the Government service at Dawson Springs, Kentucky, while Mary is doing work in her profession at Cincinnati, Ohio; Fred, in the hardware business at Middleport, Ohio; Ruth, who served as assistant postmaster at Racine, where her father held the office of postmaster for ten years, and is now the wife of Rev. Ray Cross, of Williamsport, Ohio; Lewis D., who went overseas and is now suffering from an incurable disease as a result of the war, being in a sanitarium near Cincinnati; Ben, who entered the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, and died at the age of eighteen.

John Rush Philson III acquired his early education in the public schools at Racine. As a boy he played baseball and enjoyed and became proficient in various branches of athletics. He finished his medical education at Starling Medical College, graduating two months before he was twenty-one years of age. He chose as the scene of his labors his home town, where his uncle and grandfather had left honored names in the medical profession, and he is now the only physician in the East End of Meigs County, having a practice that keeps him busy most of the hours of the day. He is a member of the County and State Medical Societies, also American Medical Association and member of the Board of Pension Examiners of Meigs County.

Doctor Philson has always been very active in local politics, and wields an unusual influence in behalf of movements and measures he favors, though he has never consented to accept office beyond a service for many years on the local school board. Perhaps his chief hobby is good roads, and in recent years the progress of modern highway building in Meigs County has been signally influenced by this energetic physician. He is a republican. During the World war he was not permitted to go to the front since the authorities informed him that he must get some one to take care of his practice or do it himself, which as a matter of fact was no alternative at all. He is a director in the Racine Home Bank, and like his grandfather and father has been master of the local Masonic lodge. He is a Knight Templar Mason and is past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias.

Doctor Philson married Miss Addie Richards, who was born in Meigs County, daughter of Luman and Ann (McGraw) Richards. The Richards family formerly lived at Washington County, Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Philson have two daughters, Mabel, born in 1908, and Dorothy, born in 1910.

Delbert Bealy Hartinger, M. D. For over half a century the name Hartinger has been distinguished in Meigs County by important service in the medical profession, marked by exceptional devotion to duty, skill and ability of high order, and constructive citizenship. Dr. Delbert Bealy Hartinger has practiced medicine nearly thirty years, and was associated with his father, whose record goes back in the medical annals of the county for fifty years.

Delbert Bealy Hartinger is a son of the late Dr. Daniel Skinner and Hannah E. (Jacobs) Hartinger. The Hartinger family came from Germany to America in Colonial times. The grandfather was William B. Hartinger, who was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, and spent most of his active life as a farmer in Meigs County, where he died at the age of seventy-eight. He was an original republican in politics. His wife was Phœbe Skinner, and they had a family of three sons and three daughters. The son William M. Hartinger was a druggist at Middleport, and died at the age of sixty-nine. In the Civil war he saw active service all through the struggle with the Ninety-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, participating in many battles, including Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Lookout Mountain and the engagements on the march to the sea. He served as treasurer of the county, and was a member of the school board and city council. The other son, Isaac Wesley Hartinger, was also a veteran in the Ninety-second Ohio Infantry, and was killed in the battle of Missionary Ridge on December 24, 1863.

Dr. Daniel Skinner Hartinger was born on a farm three miles northwest of Middleport, January 19, 1847, and passed away at Middleport, March 24, 1924. He attended country schools in Rutland Township, the Middleport High School, had an experience as a teacher in country schools for two terms, worked on a farm and on steamboats on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, and began the study of medicine in the office of Dr. D. C. Rathburn. For six years he was employed in his brother's drug store, that being a valuable experience in teaching him pharmacy and the compounding of medicines. For one term he was able to attend Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati, and was then given a temporary license to practice medicine. In this way he was able to complete his course at Cincinnati, where he graduated in 1876. However, for fully half a century he

was in practice at Middleport. In that time he rode thousands of miles on horseback, his range of practice covering not only this section of Ohio, but portions of West Virginia. He was always very fond of horses, and kept a number of good ones in his stables long after the advent of the automobile. The last few years of his life he confined his practice to office consultation, except when his old friends demanded his presence at their bedside. He served on the pension board for thirty years, and was a member of the Universalist Church. At the time of the Civil war he started for the army whenever opportunity permitted his slipping away from home, but his father brought him back every time. He was a Mason for forty years, and a charter member of the Knights of Pythias.

Dr. Daniel S. Hartinger married in 1870 Miss Hannah Jacobs, daughter of David R. Jacobs. She was born in Meigs County. Three sons were born to their marriage. Doctor Melvin D. is practicing dentistry at Pomeroy. J. E. D. Hartinger is an inspector in the Ohio State Highway Department.

Dr. Delbert Bealy Hartinger, the oldest son, was reared at Middleport, attended high school there, and then entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, where he took his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1894. However, his first preceptor in medical studies was his father. He was associated with his father in practice after graduating to the time of his father's death. At the time of the Spanish-American war he volunteered, and in August, 1898, was commissioned a lieutenant in the United States Medical Corps, being first sent to camp at Knoxville, Tennessee, and then to Macon, Georgia, and during the clean-up period in Cuba after the war he spent five months at Matanzas and other points. He received his honorable discharge in July, 1899. Following that he did post-graduate work in eye, ear, nose and throat at Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore, and much of his practice is along these special lines. During the World war he served as the medical member of the Meigs County Draft Board.

Doctor Hartinger is a director of the Mutual National Bank of Middleport. He has twice served as president of the county medical society and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. For three years he was master of his Masonic lodge, is a Knight Templar Mason and a member of Beni Kedem Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Charleston, West Virginia. He has held all the chairs in the Knights of Pythias lodge and was surgeon major of the Seventh Regiment of the Uniformed Rank of that order. The doctor is also a member of the advisory board of the Ohio Blind Commission, is president of the Masonic Temple Company, having under construction the Masonic Temple for Middleport Lodge No. 363, Free and Accepted Masons, and is president of the Meigs County Health Board.

Doctor Hartinger married Miss Elizabeth Carpenter, daughter of the late Jeremiah L. Carpenter, a former member of the Ohio State Senate. Doctor and Mrs. Hartinger have two children. The daughter, Mary Elizabeth, is attending the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. The son, Daniel C., is a student in Ohio Wesleyan University.

Charles Morehouse Dean, collector of internal revenue at Cincinnati, has been a journalist the greater part of his active career, and is well known in Cincinnati and the southern part of the state.

He was born at Ironton, Ohio, January 11, 1881, son of Charles F. and Clara A. (Jenkins) Dean, his father a native of Boston, Massachusetts, and of Puritan ancestry, while his mother was born in Ohio. Charles F. Dean served as a Union soldier in the Civil war, and for many years was engaged in educational work, being superintendent of schools at Glendale, Washington Courthouse and Ironton, Ohio.

Charles Morehouse Dean was educated in the Glendale High School and in Wilmington College, and left school to become a newspaper reporter with the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune. He was with that paper two years, and for eighteen years was one of the staff of reporters of the Cincinnati Enquirer.

As a newspaper man he took a special interest in politics, and as a Cincinnati citizen has worked at all times to obtain responsible and honest government in local affairs. He has been active in the republican party, and from 1914 to 1921 served as secretary of the New Courthouse Building Commission. He was appointed collector of internal revenue for this district in 1921, and is now in the fourth year of his service.

Mr. Dean is interested in an industrial company in Kentucky, and is a director of the Central Hyde Park Building and Loan Association. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Cincinnati, is a past master of Lafayette Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, members of the Kilwining Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Ohio Consistory of the Scottish Rite and other Masonic bodies, belongs to the Cincinnati Masonic Club, Hyde Park Masonic Club and the Hyde Park Business Men's Club, and is a member of the Knox Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Dean married at Cincinnati, April 7, 1907, Miss Emma McGrew, daughter of Frank and Mary McGrew. Her father was a Cincinnati business man. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Dean is Helen Martha, born in 1908.

Frederick Douglas Patterson was the executive head of one of the old and substantial industries of Greenfield, originally a carriage manufacturer, now an industry devoted to the manufacture of motor bus bodies. Mr. Patterson took up this business after the death of his father, who founded it, giving up a promising career as an educator to become a manufacturer. Mr. Patterson was born at Greenfield, Ohio, September 17, 1871. His grandparents, Charles and Mary Outz Patterson, were natives of Virginia, and his grandfather died at Greenfield at the age of seventy-five and the grandmother passed away in 1914, aged eighty-eight. The parents of F. D. Patterson were Charles Richard and Josephine Outz Patterson, who was born in Virginia. His father died in 1909, at the age of seventy-seven, and his mother is now seventy-five years of age.

Frederick Douglas Patterson acquired a common school education at Greenfield, Ohio, and graduated from high school in 1889. His ambition was to complete a college course, but the money for that purpose had to be earned by him individually. His teaching school was a stepping stone to his college education. He walked four miles each way daily from home to teach a school in the country. Finally he entered Ohio State University at Columbus, and when his savings were exhausted he kept himself in college for a time by working at employment offered by the University. However, before graduating he was obliged to leave, at the age of twenty-two, in order to return home and give his service to his family, at that time deprived of the aid of his father, who had become an invalid. Following that he taught school a year at Elizabethtown, and after passing a competitive examination he became a teacher in the history department of the Central High School at Louisville, Kentucky.

In the meantime his father and one of his brothers had been conducting the C. R. Patterson Carriage

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Building Company at Greenfield. Upon the death of Charles R. Patterson and his son, Frederick P. Patterson was obliged to give up his school work and return home and assume the management of the business. In former years this concern manufactured automobiles, the company being known as the Patterson Greenfield Automobile Company. Under the management of Frederick D. Patterson the business has been confined to the manufacture of motor bus bodies, and it is one of the growing prosperous concerns of Greenfield.

Mr. Patterson was a delegate to the Republican State Convention at Cleveland in 1923. He is a Methodist and a Master Mason. At Hopkinsville, Kentucky, September 11, 1901, Frederick D. Patterson married Betty Estelline Postell. She was educated at Hopkinsville, graduated in 1894 from the Fisk Teacher's College at Nashville, Tennessee, and subsequently taught in the grade schools at Hopkinsville and also taught a mission school four years. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson have two children. The son, Frederick Postell Patterson was born at Greenfield July 20, 1903, was educated in the grammar and high schools there and in a high school at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is now taking a course in mechanical engineering at Ohio State University at Columbus. The second son, Postell Patterson, born at Greenfield in 1907, is a member of the class of 1925 in the McClain High School of Greenfield and is also editor of the High School paper, the "Dragon." His spare time is spent working in his father's office at the factory.

Marysville Public Library. The history of the Marysville Public Library runs back more than half a century, though its real service as a modern library began about twenty-five years ago. In November, 1867, a meeting of young men was called by Judge P. B. Cole at the Union school house for the purpose of forming an organization "the aim and end of which should be to enthuse in the minds of its members and the community a love for substantial literature and a knowledge which should improve and elevate." Out of this meeting grew the Marysville Literary and Library Association. Its first officers were Franklin Wood, president; W. S. Johnson, vice president; James Sterling, treasurer; S. W. Dolbear, secretary; and Leonidas Piper, librarian.

After the organization of the society in 1874 fifty volumes were turned over to the new association. One hundred shares, at twenty-five dollars per share, were subscribed, a room in the Town Hall secured for the library, and that was its home until 1887. The Odd Fellows Lodge was then given the duty of administering the library. Circulation lapsed in a few years, but the books were kept and formed the nucleus of the present library, whose origin, success and maintenance were due to a group of women.

In 1897, while Kate Whitney was president of the "Women's Parliament," Hannah Houston made a motion that the Marysville Library and Reading Room Association be fostered by the Parliament. The motion had an enthusiastic response, and the Parliament from its members chose as officers of the association: Hannah Houston, president; Mary L. Pyne, vice president; Ethel McCloud secretary; Charlotte Henderson, librarian, with an executive committee consisting of Celia Pearse, Celinda Lawrence, Anna K. Chapman, Clara Morey, Joanna Mowry and Harriet G. Scott.

The Council granted the use of two rooms in the Town Hall. The services of the state librarian, Charles Galbreath, author of the present History of Ohio, were secured, and under his instructions the Dewey system of cataloguing was started. This system was continued by the librarian, Charlotte Henderson, who for over twelve years without pay kept the books in order and the Circulation Department open every Saturday afternoon and evening, assisted at times by the efficient secretary, Ethlyn McCloud, Mary L. Pyne and Mary Godard. The reading room was under the charge of the other officers of the association, who served a week at a time in the afternoons and evenings. The citizens gave a generous response to a call for a donation of books. The membership fee of fifty cents from the 150 odd members furnished a small source of supply for books, but most of them were obtained from liberal subscriptions and various other payments, lectures or other programs arranged by the women who were sponsoring the organization.

In this way the public was served gratuitously until 1909, when the school board assumed control of a well established institution, with almost 3,000 books on the shelves and over $1,000 surplus in the treasury. The present librarian of the Marysville Public Library is Miss Lillian Robb.

J. Eugene Roberts, a Youngstown attorney, earned a record as an exceptionally able and eloquent public speaker before he engaged in law practice. He has been active in politics in Mahoning County for a number of years.

He was born at Hubbard, Ohio, January 2, 1893, and his address is 604 Home Savings and Loan Building at Youngstown. His parents are Allen T. and Nellie G. (Passmore) Roberts, residents of Hubbard, where his father is a justice of the peace. Allen Roberts was born at Lima, Ohio, son of Abner and Margaret (Houston) Roberts, while Nellie Passmore was born in Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, daughter of Levi M. and Jane Elizabeth (Denison) Passmore. J. Eugene Roberts graduated from the Rayen High School at Youngstown in 1913. He taught school in Wethersfield Township at the City of Niles, worked in steel mills at Sharon, Pennsylvania, and in the meantime was studying law in the night schools at Youngstown. He was admitted to the bar in 1919, and has been engaged in practice since September, 1921.

In April, 1918, he enlisted in the infantry at Camp Mead, Maryland, was transferred to another camp, and in August, 1918, went overseas with the Seventy-ninth Division. He was with his command at Caen, France, in the Toul sector, and in the St. Mihiel campaign. He returned to the United States in November, 1918, as a first class private. He then resumed work in the steel mills of the Youngstown district, and in September, 1919, became an employe of the Standard Tank Car Works, remaining there until he engaged in the general practice of law. He is especially well known for his success in criminal law.

November 7, 1917, he married Valeria T. Dietrichkeit, a native of Harden County, Kentucky, where she was born February 12, 1893, daughter of Rudolph and Bertha Dietrichkeit.

Mr. Roberts has been frequently referred to as a "silver tongued orator." He has a large following in politics, and in 1922 was candidate for Congress, and November 4, 1924, was elected Ohio State Senator. He is a Presbyterian, a member of the Nathan Hale Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution at Youngstown, and belongs to the American Legion.

Charles Mains. An Ohioan by birth, Charles Mains grew up on a farm, acquired a college education, and some thirty-two years ago allied himself with an industry and organization that has become one of the largest manufacturing institutions in central Ohio. This business, located at Greenfield, ac-

knowledges as its founder and executive head Mr. E. L. McClain, and is known as The American Pad and Textile Company, of which Mr. Mains is president.

He was born in Ross County, on July 17, 1867, three miles northeast of Greenfield, and is of Scotch-Irish descent, representing an old American family of Colonial stock, his ancestors having come to this country from northern Ireland about 1698.

His great-grandfather, William Mains, was born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, in 1776, his parents moved to Leesburg, Loudoun County, Virginia, in 1873. He came westward from there and settled in Ross County, Ohio, in 1798, when that was one of the most populous centers of Ohio territory. In 1810 he married Mary Hixson, who also came from Loudoun County, Virginia. William Mains died in 1842 and is buried at South Salem, Ross County, Ohio. His son, Washington Mains, grandfather of Charles Mains, was born near South Salem, Ohio, in 1815. His life as a farmer was spent near Greenfield. In 1838 he married Hannah Bryan, daughter of John and Hannah Bryan. Their four children were Margaret, John, Archibald and Emma.

John William Mains, father of Charles Mains, was born in 1843, and died in 1876. He was a farmer, residing three miles northeast of Greenfield. At the beginning of the Civil war he responded to the call, volunteering in the Eighty-first Ohio Infantry, serving therein to the close of the war. In 1865 he married Nancy Elizabeth Harper, daughter of Robert and Mary Kerr Harper. Three children were born to them, Charles Mains, subject of this sketch, Russell Mains, a farmer residing in Greenfield, Ohio, whose children are Mrs. Inez Hamilton and Lucille Mains; and Mrs. Hannah Mains Irvine, also residing in Greenfield, whose three children are Robert, Elizabeth and Russell.

Charles Mains as a boy on the farm attended district school, first in a log cabin in Ross County, Ohio, not far distant from Greenfield. This rather primitive school building was later supplanted by a more pretentious structure. His educational opportunities until attaining the age of sixteen were limited to this school. For three years thereafter he was a student in the Presbyterian Academy at South Salem, and in 1886 he entered Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio, where he was graduated with the Master of Arts degree in 1889. Following this for a period of three years he was superintendent of public schools at West De Pere, Wisconsin. In 1892 he engaged with the E. L. McClain Manufacturing Company, Greenfield, Ohio, as a traveling salesman. Some three and one-half years later he assumed executive responsibility as secretary of The Sun Manufacturing Company, one of Mr. McClain's industries, but in 1899 again joined the E. L. McClain Manufacturing Company, which was incorporated in 1903, under the name of The American Pad & Textile Company. He was first secretary of the company mentioned, became vice president in 1908, and in 1913 assumed the duties of president and general manager.

On July 24, 1889, Mr. Mains was united in marriage with Miss Jessie Thomas, of Ross County, Ohio, her home being near Greenfield. Her earlier education was obtained in the common schools at Rainsboro, Ohio, Highland County, where she was born. Subsequently she attended Ohio University at Athens, Ohio, and graduated in 1887 from the Presbyterian Academy at South Salem, Ohio. Mrs. Mains is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Coterie Club, Country Club, Reading Club, and is a teacher in the Presbyterian Sabbath School. Mr. and Mrs. Mains have three children. Their older son, Charles Franklin, born in 1890, was educated in the Greenfield public schools and Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio, where he graduated in 1911. He married Miss Maud Harps in 1913, and they have two children, Mary Jane and Charles. The second son, John Thomas Mains, born in 1903, is a student at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts. A daughter, Mrs. Louise Mains King, wife of C. Dudley King, was educated in the public schools of Greenfield, and Ward-Belmont School for Girls, Nashville, Tennessee. They reside in Piqua, Ohio, and have two children, Charles Dudley, Jr., and Thomas Johnson.

For more than twenty-seven years Mr. Mains has served as trustee of the Presbyterian Church, Greenfield, Ohio, being chairman of the board for more than half his term of service. He is a Royal Arch Mason, and politically is a republican, having served as mayor of Greenfield from 1896 to 1898, and was a member of the Board of Education. During the World war he took a keen interest in Red Cross and local War Chest campaigns and all other war activities. While it has been his rule of life to attend closely to the business in hand, he nevertheless finds time for outdoor activities, usually spending several weeks each summer and autumn in the woods of Northern Michigan.

Elmer Ellsworth Wells, M. D. A native of Scioto County and thirty-five years a physician and surgeon, Doctor Wells during the past twenty-five years of his life performed his professional service at Ironton, where he was a well equipped specialist and also city health officer. His death occurred February 2, 1924.

He was born in Scioto County, October 2, 1861, son of Thomas M. and Mary (Belcher) Wells. The Wells family are of English ancestry and came to Ohio from old Virginia. The Belchers were originally Holland-Dutch, and came to Ohio from the big sandy district of Kentucky. The maternal grandparents of Doctor Wells were Joseph and Lucy Belcher. His paternal grandfather was Joseph Wells. Mary Belcher Wells, mother of Doctor Wells, died in 1862, when her son and only child was an infant. Thomas M. Wells was born in old Virginia, and was nine years of age when his parents moved to Ohio. His active career was spent around the iron furnaces, and at the time of his death in 1908 he was stationary engineer at one of the furnaces in Southern Ohio. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Church.

Elmer Ellsworth Wells attended public schools in Scioto County, also in Greenup County, Kentucky, spent one year in the high school at Wheelersburg, Ohio, and at the age of seventeen went to work as bookkeeper and storekeeper at an iron furnace. He was employed around furnaces for about ten years, and in that way earned and saved the money to put him through medical school. Doctor Wells graduated with the class of 1887 from Starling Medical College of Columbus, Ohio, and in the same year engaged in general practice at Etna Furnace. He remained in that community for ten years, and afterward his home and the center of his professional work was at Ironton. He carried the burdens of a heavy general practice though he specialized in the eye. He did post-graduate work on the eye and its diseases at the New York City Polyclinic and at the Ohio State University. Doctor Wells from 1922 was city health officer of Ironton, and was a member of the County and State Medical societies. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Masonic Order and the Modern Woodmen of America. His church was the Methodist, while his wife is a member of the Episcopal Church.

In December, 1883, at Pine Grove Furnace, Doctor Wells married Miss Mary M. Shepard, daughter of Carlton and Margaret Shepard. She died in 1895, the mother of two sons, Albert and Walter. Albert Wells, who is in the dry goods business at Ironton,

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married Nellie Gabler, of Ironton, and has two children, Marie and Jane Elizabeth. Walter Wells, who married Evelyn Shank, is a musician in the Lyric Theatre at Portsmouth, Ohio.

On June 30, 1923, Doctor Wells married Miss Frances Bull, daughter of James and Mary (Huffman) Bull, one of their four children, the others being Gertrude, Warren and Sidney. James Bull was born in England, and was two years of age when his parents in 1846 came to this country and settled in Ohio. Mary Huffman, the mother of Mrs. Wells, was born at Pine Grove Furnace in 1843.

Robert Edmund Wolf, M. D. One of the younger men in the medical profession of Tuscarawas County, Doctor Wolf is located at Uhrichsville. He was liberally educated and thoroughly trained for the technical work of his calling, and is giving his professional service in a community where his family has lived for a great many years.

He was born at the Town of Tuscarawas, in Tuscarawas County, January 20, 1898, son of John A. and Louisa (Reiser) Wolf. His father was born near Port Washington, September 24, 1862, son of John and Elizabeth (Schneider) Wolf. His grandparents were natives of Germany, John Wolf, Sr., coming to the United States at the age of fourteen and his wife when twelve years old, their respective parents settling on adjoining farms near Port Washington in Tuscarawas County. After their marriage they likewise located on a farm. They reared three sons, John A., Charles R. and Dr. Edmund A. Wolf, and one daughter, Louisa, now deceased. John A. Wolf, Jr., was for many years engaged in farming, but is now in the milling business at Tuscarawas. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran Church. She was born in Tuscarawas County, daughter of John Reiser, of Swiss parentage. The children of John A. Wolf and wife are: Ina, wife of Earl V. Saunders; Eda, twin sister of Ina, the wife of C. F. Veigel; and Dr. Robert Edmund.

Dr. Robert Edmund Wolf acquired a good common school education and subsequently attended Valparaiso University and the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland, where he took chemical engineering. He also attended Adelbert College at Cleveland for one year, and in 1924 graduated from the Eclectic Medical College at Cincinnati. Since graduating he has been engaged in general practice at Uhrichsville.

John Everett Groves, M. D. The oldest physician in point of continuous service in the city of Uhrichsville, Tuscarawas County, is Dr. John Everett Groves, whose work began there in 1880, and who has for forty-five years stood as the exemplar of faithful service and thorough ability in his professional calling.

Doctor Groves was born on a farm near Hendrysburg, in Belmont County, Ohio, November 6, 1855, son of John Fox and Levina (Lloyd) Groves. His parents were also natives of Belmont County, and his grandfather, Barnett Groves, was born in that section of Ohio. John F. Groves was a farmer, and lived to the age of seventy years, while his wife passed away at seventy-one. They reared three sons and three daughters.

Doctor Groves grew up on a farm, had the advantages of the common schools in the country district, and for six years of his early life taught school. He attended Franklin College one year, began the study of medicine under a preceptor at Moorefield, and then entered the Columbus Medical College, where he was graduated in 1880. Following his graduation he located at Uhrichsville, and has conducted a general medical and surgical practice. For many years he has been local surgeon for the Baltimore & Ohio Railway. He has filled all the important offices, secretary, treasurer and president, of the County Medical Society, and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Groves is a republican. He is a Knights Templar Mason and a Knight of Pythias, and has been identified with a great many movements for some special community purpose during the many years he has lived at Uhrichsville. He married in 1899 Elva B. Secrest, who is also a native of Belmont County, Ohio.

Palmer Hodge Laughlin. The most distinctive industrial concern of Barnesville is the Watt Mining Car Wheel Company, and Palmer Hodge Laughlin is its treasurer and general manager, and has been officially identified with its management for over twenty years.

Mr. Laughlin was born not far from Barnesville, but on a farm in Guernsey County, September 2, 1878, son of Capt. John Wilson and Margaret (Cowden) Laughlin. Both parents were born in Guernsey County. His father died in 1917, aged eighty-one, and his mother in 1893, aged fifty-two. Capt. John Wilson Laughlin fought four years as a Union soldier in the Civil war, reaching the rank of captain of the First Ohio Cavalry. Otherwise he spent his active career as a farmer in Guernsey County, and was a man of much prominence in that locality. He was a democrat, and twice served his home county in the State Senate. While in the Senate he cast a deciding vote in the proposal to make Washington's birthday a legal holiday in Ohio. For over forty years he was an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and his father, Thomas Wilson Laughlin, had likewise a similar service to his credit. Capt. John W. Laughlin after retiring from the farm lived in Barnesville until his death. He was a pioneer advocate of the good roads movement, and possessed extensive land holdings in both Guernsey and Belmont counties.

Eight in a family of ten children, Palmer Hodge Laughlin spent his boyhood days on a farm, attending district schools and later the Barnesville High School. On March 7, 1898, before his twentieth birthday, he entered the service of the Watt Mining Car Wheel Company at Barnesville. He began as office boy, but continued his education through correspondence courses and subsequently qualified for a post as bookkeeper and then as draughtsman. These various duties made him familiar with all departments of the industry.

In May, 1902, he was promoted to secretary of the company, and on May 7, 1907, was given the additional duties of general manager, and since March, 1923, has been treasurer and general manager.

The Watt Mining Car Wheel Company is the largest concern in the world manufacturing mining cars, steel and wood industrial cars and quarry cars, and supplies not only the domestic, but a large part of the foreign markets. It has been an industry in Barnesville for more than half a century. It was started as a copartnership in 1866, and in 1881 was incorporated. The facilities of the plant, the working capital and the output and general prosperity have more than doubled since 1907.

Mr. Laughlin takes a lively interest in local affairs, is an elder in the Presbyterian Church, is a past master of Friendship Lodge No. 89 of the Masonic Order, is a member of Barnesville Chapter No. 69, Royal Arch Masons, Barnesville Council No. 97, Royal and Select Masters, Cambridge Commandery No. 47, Knights Templar, and Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He is also a member of the Warren Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

On June 9, 1909, at Barnesville, Mr. Laughlin married Miss Mary Watt, daughter of one of the founders of the Watt Mining Car Wheel Company. Her father was James H. Watt, who died in May, 1902, at the age of sixty-four. He was a native of Belmont County, had a brief service as a Union soldier of the Civil war, and after the war left his farm and with three brothers started the partnership firm now known as the Watt Mining Car Wheel Company. From its incorporation in 1881 until his death in May, 1902, he served as president of the company, and was also president of the Warren Oil and Gas Company. He was chairman of the Building Committee of the Presbyterian Church, was a republican and a Mason, and a man of great liberality and breadth of public spirit. The mother of Mrs. Laughlin was Elizabeth Adams, who died in 1914, aged sixty-four. Mrs. Laughlin takes an active part in church and social club work at Barnesville. They have two children, James Watt and Palmer Hodge Laughlin, Jr.

Charles H. Siegrist, M. D. Nearly thirty years have elapsed since Doctor Siegrist secured his medical diploma and began practice. These years have been accompanied by earnest toil and a high degree of ability in his chosen profession, and he is especially esteemed as a doctor and as a citizen in the community of Uhrichsville, Tuscarawas County, which has been his home for over twenty years.

Doctor Siegrist was born on a farm near Dresden, in Muskingum County, Ohio, November 30, 1867, son of Jacob and Adeline (Strohacker) Siegrist. His father was born in Alsace-Lorraine, of Swiss parentage. His mother was a native of Germany. They were married after coming to Ohio, in Muskingum County, and soon settled on a farm near Coshocton. Jacob Siegrist was one of the sturdy and self reliant farmers of that section, and lived there until his death in 1916, at the age of seventy-six. The widowed mother passed away in 1923, at the age of eighty-three. They reared a family of eight children.

Charles H. Siegrist had a farm rearing, a public school education and contrived many of his own opportunities while getting through college and a professional school. He taught school for several years, and in 1894 graduated from old Scio College. In 1896 he completed his course in medicine at Ohio State University, and then located at Bowerston, where for five years he was a busy physician and surgeon. After one year at Coshocton he located at Uhrichsville, which as a community has chiefly benefited from his skill and experience. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Siegrist is a democrat in politics, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. He married, in 1898, Miss Emma Forsythe. Their four children are: Edmund, Paul, Ronald and Hazel.

George Ambrose Henry, M. D. A native of Ohio, representing some of the pioneer families of Muskingum County, Doctor Henry has practiced medicine for over a quarter of a century, and is one of the able physicians in Tuscarawas County, his home being at Uhrichsville.

He was born February 1, 1868, at Zanesville, Ohio, son of Simon K. and Dorothy Matilda (Henley) Henry, also natives of Muskingum County. His father was born in Zanesville, son of Beale Henry, of Pennsylvania German ancestry, who went to Muskingum County when a boy with his family. Beale Henry married Ann Cobb, of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry, and her people were among the early settlers of New Comerstown, Ohio. She reached the venerable age of ninety-three years, passing away about twelve years ago. Doctor Henry's maternal grandparents were George Henley and wife, who came to Muskingum County from Germany.

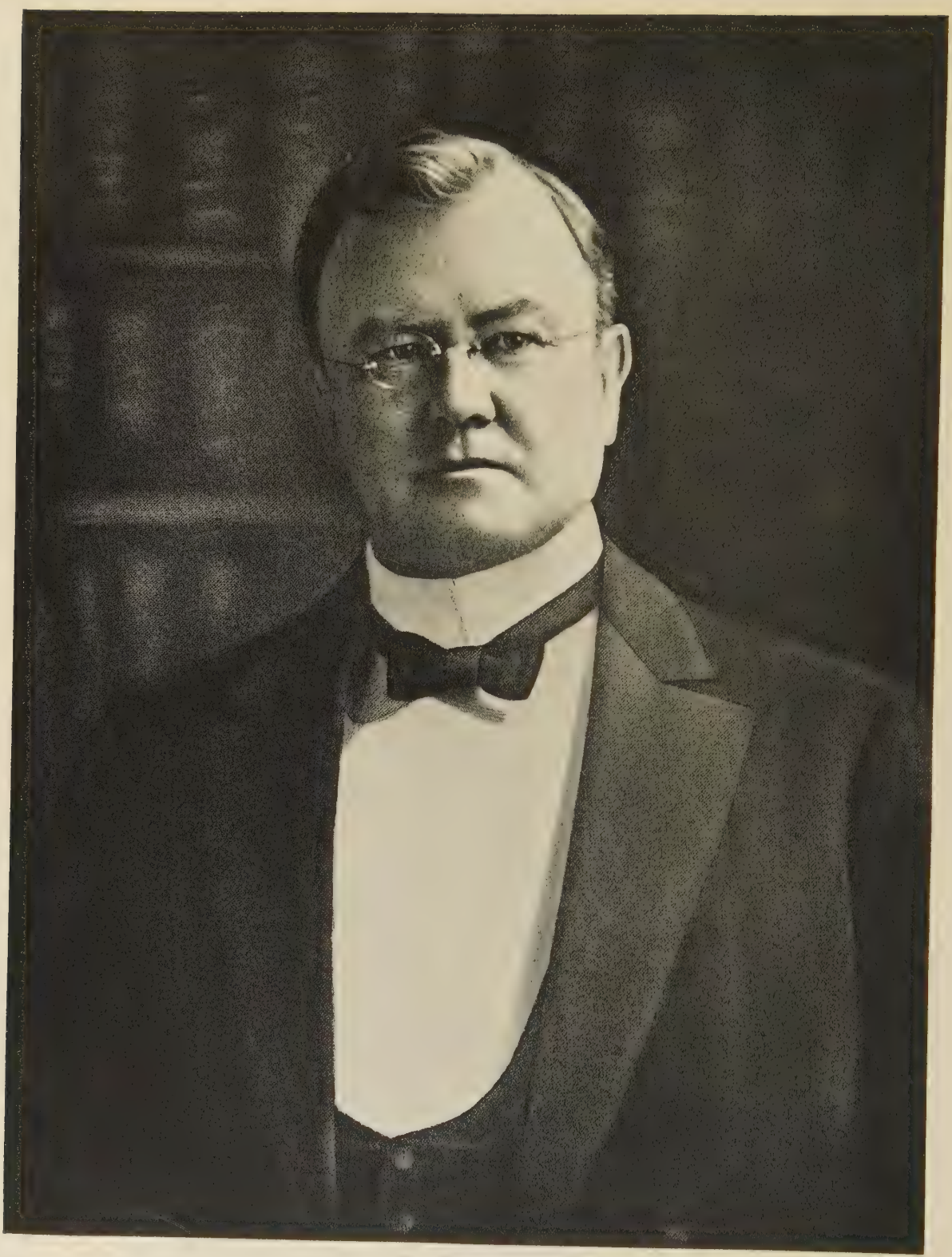
George Ambrose Henry comes of a family of three sons and three daughters. He grew up in Zanesville, attended the public schools there, and followed several occupations during his early manhood. For two years he studied medicine under a preceptor, and then entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, and subsequently graduated, in 1897, from Ohio Medical College. For two years he practiced at Adams Mill, and then located at Tuscarawas, where for twenty-six years he was the leading physician of the community. From there he removed about three years ago to his present home at Uhrichsville, and still continues a general practice in medicine and surgery. He is a member of the County and Ohio State Medical societies.

Doctor Henry is a democrat in politics, is a member of the Moravian Church, and fraternally is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and its social orders Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, and also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club. Doctor Henry married, in 1887, Miss Anna Rudden. They have two children. The daughter, Mary, is the widow of Oliver Good. Isabel married Henry Reiser, and they have a son, Richard.

George Washington Reed, who has been established in the successful practice of law at Uhrichsville for more than a quarter of a century and who has gained distinct prestige as one of the representative members of the bar of his native County of Tuscarawas, has extended his practice into the higher courts, including the Ohio Supreme Court and the Federal Courts of the state, and in his profession he has won many important victories in connection with both criminal and civil cases, the while he has maintained high reputation as a well fortified counselor.

Mr. Reed was born on the parental homestead farm in Union Township, Tuscarawas County, and the date of his nativity was February 20, 1863. He is a son of John and Jane Reed, both now deceased. John Reed was born on the farm on which was born the subject of this sketch, where he was reared and educated and where he passed the remainder of his life. He became one of the substantial farmers and honored and influential citizens of Union Township, where he owned a well improved landed estate and where he continued to reside until his death in 1919, at the venerable age of ninety-one years. His father, William Reed, was born in Ireland, came to America in 1824, and established his residence first in New Brunswick, Canada, whence he later came, in 1825, to Tuscarawas County, Ohio, where he developed a productive farm and where he and his wife remained until the close of their lives.

George W. Reed gained in his boyhood and earlier youth a goodly measure of fellowship with the work of the home farm, and after having duly profited by the curriculum of the public schools he entered Ohio University at Athens, in which he was in due course graduated, his degree of Bachelor of Arts having been later supplemented by that of Master of Arts, likewise granted him by his alma mater. His preparation for his chosen profession included a course in the law department of historic old University of Virginia, and in 1896 he was admitted to the Ohio bar, as a member of which he has since continued to be successfully engaged in practice at Uhrichsville. He has served as president of the Tuscarawas Bar Association, and in the summer of 1924, as a delegate from this association, he at-



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tended the meeting of the American Bar Association, which he accompanied to London, England, where the organization was entertained with distinction by the English Bar Association. Incidental to this trip to London Mr. Reed found opportunity also to visit France, Italy, Holland, Switzerland, Belgium and Ireland, and while on his visit to the Emerald Isle he had the satisfaction of going to the old home of his paternal ancestors in County Donegal.

Prior to engaging in the practice of law Mr. Reed had made a record of successful achievement as a teacher in the public schools, and his income from this source enabled him to pursue his higher academic and his law studies. He first taught in the schools of Ohio, and after his graduation from Ohio University he served in turn as principal of the public schools at Del Norte, Colorado, and Salt Lake City, Utah. He has never abated his interest in educational matters, and is ever ready to aid in advancing the standards of educational work. His final pedagogic service was as principal of the public schools of McConnellsville, Ohio.

Mr. Reed is affiliated with the Beta Theta Pi College fraternity, the Improved Order of Red Men and the Masonic fraternity. He has been a most earnest and zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for many years, and has held official positions in the same, is a teacher of the Bible Class in the Sunday school, and on one occasion was honored in being selected a delegate to the General Conference of the church. He has been content to give his undivided attention to his profession, and has had no desire for political activity or public office. His elder son, Paul F., is now associated with him in the practice of law, under the title of Reed & Reed, and of this son more specific mention is made in later paragraphs of this review.

The year 1888 recorded the marriage of Mr. Reed and Miss Clara Murtland Baker, who was born in Pennsylvania, and she passed to the life eternal in the year 1922. Mrs. Reed is survived by four children: Hazel, Paul Foster, George E. and Dorothy.

Paul Foster Reed, junior member of the law firm of Reed & Reed, as indicated in the preceding paragraph, was born at Athens, Ohio, November 26, 1892. He received the advantages of the public schools and thereafter was for one year a student in Ohio University, in his native city, where also he became affiliated with his father's fraternity, Beta Theta Pi. He was for two years a student in the law department of the University of Ohio, at Columbus, and was there made a member of the Acacia fraternity. He was admitted to the bar in 1920, and has since been associated with his father in active general practice at Uhrichsville.

Soon after the nation became involved in the World war Paul F. Reed volunteered, June 4, 1917, for service in the United States Army, and his enlistment took place on the 1st of the following month. He volunteered for service in the medical department, and in the same he was given the rank of sergeant of the first class. He was overseas nine months, in service at the headquarters of the Thirty-seventh Division of the American Expeditionary Forces, and he continued in active service until he received his honorable discharge, April 12, 1919. He took part in two major offensive movements and one major defense. After his discharge he resumed the study of law, and in due time was admitted to practice, as previously noted in this context. Mr. Reed is affiliated with the American Legion, the Elks, and the Masonic fraternity, in which last he is a Knight Templar, besides having received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church of Uhrichsville. In 1917 Mr. Reed wedded Miss Ruth Brunner, of Uhrichsville, and they have three children: John P., George R. and Richard B.

Jasper Fremont Meek. A few years ago in a description of Coshocton's business resources, in a list of a score or more plants, factories and productive industries, the largest single group was that represented by the Novelty Advertising Works, which numbered half a dozen and gave a distinctive character to the city's business. This business, which in the aggregate involves an immense amount of capital and affords employment to hundreds of the city's population, had its beginning in a very modest and humble way, in the original mind of the late Jasper Fremont Meek. A brief sketch of his career, with some notice of his family connections, has an appropriate place in the History of Ohio.

He was born on a farm in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, July 20, 1856, son of Sylvester and Lucretia (Davis) Meek, grandson of Daniel Hitt Meek, great-grandson of Isaac J. Meek and great-great-grandson of Isaac S. Meek, whose father, Guy Meek, a native of England, came with his brother Samuel Meek to America in Colonial times and settled in Virginia. Isaac J. Meek became a soldier in the Continental Army during the American Revolution, and the military record of the family through all the generations is impressive. Isaac S. Meek was born in Virginia and became a pioneer on the western border of the state, along the Ohio River. His son, Isaac J. Meek, was born in Ohio County, West Virginia, near the present City of Wheeling, and his name appears in western history as second in command under Colonel Broadhead, when Broadhead made his treaty with the Indians within the borders of what is now Coshocton County. It was Daniel Hitt Meek who founded the family in Ohio, locating in Tuscarawas County, where he spent the rest of his years. His son, Sylvester Meek, was a native of Tuscarawas County, and at the time of the Civil war became a Union soldier in the One Hundred and Tenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was with Sherman on the march to the sea, and in one of the last battles of the great war was killed on the field. He married Lucretia Davis, a native of Tuscarawas County, who survived him with their four children, of whom Jasper Fremont Meek was the oldest.

Due to the death of his father on a battlefield in the Civil war Jasper Fremont Meek as a boy had to assume heavy responsibilities in assisting his mother and the three younger children. When he was only fifteen years of age he had made himself so proficient in telegraphy as to be appointed a telegraph operator in the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He continued that occupation for several years, but in 1875, at the age of nineteen, came to Coshocton, where he bought a small newspaper. While in the newspaper business he formulated some of the plans that proved the foundation of the advertising novelty industry. His experience as a printer and publisher was an indispensable asset in this new business.

In 1886 he started to manufacture under the name of the Tuscarora Advertising Company some school-book bags and horse blankets, acquiring the printed advertisements on them. He possessed very limited means, and of course had to establish his product's popularity and sale. His efforts to secure the cooperation and financial interests of others in the enterprise were unavailing. For several years he struggled along under difficult circumstances. His superman-agement and determination to succeed brought him in time a fairly successful business. In 1900 he consolidated with the Standard Advertising Company, owned by Mr. H. D. Beach, and the firm became The Meek and Beach Company, but two years later Mr. Meek bought out his partner and then established

the Meek Company. In 1905 he sold this business, on account of ill health, to what is now the American Art Works, the largest advertising novelty company in the world.

About forty-five years ago the industry was started with the manufacture of school-book bags made from gunny cloth. To this experimental line was soon added another article, a horse cover made frum gunny cloth and likewise carrying advertisements. Other articles were subsequently added. From 1905 for eleven years Mr. Meek was not connected with the business, but in 1916 he established the J. F. Meek Company, manufacturers of calendars, a business he continued under his direct management until his death on November 25, 1918. The business is continued as part of his estate, its active manager today being his son, Daniel C. Meek.

The late Mr. Meek had very little schooling when a boy. However, he loved books and studies and intellectual pursuits and all his life he was making up for the lack of his early advantages by reading and contact with literature and practical affairs. He accumulated what many have been called the most complete private library in Ohio, made up of books of history, biography, economics, philosophy and the classics in literature. He was a pioneer in the prohibition movement in Ohio. He lectured on that cause, and was on the lecture platform frequently on other more general subjects, particularly pertaining to the philosophic and economic phases of life and affairs. He was a Methodist and a Master Mason.

Jasper F. Meek married in 1878 Miss Ella Bosley, a native of Tuscarawas County. She died, leaving one son, Guy Sylvester Meek, who is now proprietor of the Guy S. Meek Company, advertising novelties at Coshocton. In 1885 Jasper Fremont Meek married Emma Coe, a native of Coshocton County. She continues to reside in Coshocton. She is the mother of three children, Daniel Coe, Sarah and Mary Meek.

Daniel Coe Meek, son of the late Jasper Fremont Meek, was born at Coshocton, May 24, 1889. Unlike his father, he had the advantages of some of the best schools and colleges in the country. He finished his college education in the University of Michigan, graduating with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1912 and receiving the Master of Arts degree in 1913. He then became associated with his father's business, and for the past five years has been the active manager of the J. F. Meek Company, Calendar Manufacturers. He also has a record as an ex-service man, having enlisted in May, 1918, in the Tank Corps, and was in training at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. He was mustered out with the rank of first sergeant, December 25, 1918. He belongs to the American Legion Post and is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner. Daniel C. Meek married in 1917 Marie Frederick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Frederick, of Coshocton.

William Henry Stoutt was the editor and publisher of the Uhrichsville Chronicle, which issues daily and weekly editions at Uhrichsville, Tuscarawas County, and made this one of the important and influential papers of this section of Ohio. For rest and recreation he indulged in a fishing trip to Canada, and while on the train on which he was returning home he received a sudden attack of illness that resulted in his death a few moments later, on the 18th of August, 1921. In his death Tuscarawas County lost one of its honored and influential native sons—one who had achieved success and honors of no minor order.

William H. Stoutt was born at Gilmore, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, November 14, 1852, and was a son of John and Casandra (Dix) Stoutt, the former of whom was born in Pennsylvania and the latter in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, where their marriage was solemnized. John Stoutt was a blacksmith by trade, and after following his trade for a time at Gilmore, Tuscarawas County, he moved with his family to Rockville, Tuscarawas County, where his death occurred when his son, William H., was but a boy. William H. Stoutt thus found his public school privileges somewhat curtailed, as it devolved upon him, as the only son, to assist in the support of his widowed mother and his two sisters. With characteristic bravery and resourcefulness the lad faced the problems that were thus to be solved, and he worked earnestly and indefatigably to make proper provision for his mother and his sisters, the latter of whom were younger than himself. He found employment at farm work and received for his service 50 cents a day. At night he applied himself diligently to study, and finally he made such advancement as to enable him to gain a teacher's license. His first pedagogic service was given in the district schools of Ohio, and later he taught in West Virginia. Finally he returned to his native county and became circulation manager for the Tuscarawas Chronicle at Uhrichsville. Somewhat later he purchased the Richwood Gazette, and after publishing the same three years he sold the plant and business. He then returned to Uhrichsville and purchased the Chronicle, the publication having been continued as a weekly only until 1895, when he initiated the issuing of daily editions, in addition to the weekly. He continued as editor and publisher of the Chronicle until his death, achieved substantial success and gained rank as one of the influential newspaper men of the Buckeye State. Though he was unwavering in his allegiance to the republican party and an effective exponent of its principles and policies, Mr. Stoutt never consented to become a candidate for public office, save that, under appointment, he served several years as a member of the Ohio State Board of Charities. He was a Knight Templar Mason and was affiliated also with the Knights of Pythias, and he was an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he served as a member of the Official Board for a term of years. His personality was the positive expression of a noble and loyal nature, he was tolerant and kindly in his judgment, and he was ever ready to co-operate in the furthering of worthy causes and to aid those in need. His course was ruled by a fine sense of justice and his stewardship in all of the relations of life was earnest and faithful.

The first marriage of Mr. Stoutt was with Theresa Milliken, and they became the parents of five children: Pearl, Dale, Hazel (deceased), Paul H. and Helen. After the death of his first wife Mr. Stoutt wedded Miss Grace Milliken, who survives him, as do also their five children: Donald, Mary, Elizabeth, William and Robert. Paul H. Stoutt succeeded his father as editor and manager of the Chronicle, and in the following sketch is given a brief review of his career.

Paul H. Stoutt, editor and manager of the Uhrichsville Chronicle, one of the well ordered newspapers of Tuscarawas County, is well upholding the journalistic honors of the family name, his father, the late William Henry Stoutt, having been one of the prominent figures in Ohio newspaper circles for many years, as may be seen by reference to the immediately preceding memoir.

Paul H. Stoutt was born at Uhrichsville, August 27, 1890, and in the public schools of his native city he continued his studies until his graduation from high school. He then became a reporter for the Uhrichsville Chronicle, later being advanced to the position of city editor, and since the death of his honored father, who was the owner and publisher of

the Chronicle, he has been editor and manager. He maintains the Chronicle at a high standard, and is one of the representative young newspaper men of his native state.

Mr. Stoutt is an active and influential figure in the local councils and campaign service of the republican party, and under the commission form of municipal government in Uhrichsville he served two years as safety director, as the first incumbent of this office. In the city election of 1923 he was the republican candidate for the office of mayor, and though he was defeated he polled the largest republican vote in the history of the city. He is serving in 1924 as exalted ruler of Uhrichsville Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is affiliated also with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in their home city.

The year 1912 recorded the marriage of Mr. Stoutt and Miss Mary Templeton, of Columbus, Ohio, and the one child of this union is Paul H., Jr.

G. Albert Garver, one of the successful merchants and good citizens of Strasburg, has spent practically all his life in this vicinity. His interests are centered here, and he has always worked hard for the prosperity and further development of his home city. He was born at Fort Wayne, Indiana, July 7, 1865, his birth occurring during a brief residence of his parents in that city. He is a son of the late Philip A. and Francisca (Kapitzky) Garver.

The Garver family is of German origin, the paternal grandfather having come to the United States from Bavaria, and located at Navarre, Stark County, Ohio, at an early day. There Philip A. Garver was born. The mother was born in Bavaria, Germany, and came in womanhood to the United States with her father, who located at Cleveland.

In 1866 Philip A. Garver opened a general store at Strasburg, and, increasing his stock and facilities, laid the foundation for the present flourishing department store of Garver Brothers Company at Strasburg, regarded as one of the largest country stores in the world. Until 1888 Philip A. Garver continued the ownership of the store he had founded, but in that year turned the business over to his sons and retired. His death occurred in 1905. He and his wife reared five children, namely: Frankie, Rudolph, G. Albert, William G. and Minnie.

Rudolph and G. Albert Garver took over the business established by their father, and under the present name developed it into enormous proportions. In 1900 the company was incorporated, and the following year the store was destroyed by fire, the company suffering a very heavy loss. Undismayed, however, the brothers immediately resumed business, and in 1902 erected their present large storeroom, three stories in height. Rudolph Garver maintained his active connection with the house until his death in 1907.

G. Albert Garver has continued to be the general manager and actual head of the company, and his business career entitles him to rank among the leading merchants of the county. He was reared at Strasburg, where he attended the public schools, and later Mount Union College. With the exception of a short period when he taught school Mr. Garver's whole life from boyhood onward has been spent in his present business. He knows the mercantile trade from the ground up, for he has worked in it from boyhood, and this knowledge, combined with natural ability for the work, explains his success in life. He has never heeded any call to public or political life. In politics he is a liberal republican. In church faith he is a United Brethren, and for years has taught a Bible class in the Sunday school. All of his life a hard worker, he has given wholly of his talents and time to business six days in the week, having taken but few vacations throughout his life. Aside from his business interests his chief concern has been with his family and church. Yet in public affairs he has never been a slacker, but has supported every measure and movement that promised to be beneficial to the community in which he has spent his life and achieved such lasting success.

In 1890 Mr. Garver married Miss Viola Blatzly, who was born and reared at Beach City, Stark County, Ohio, and they are the parents of the following children: Mary, Philip A., Lydia, John B. and Paul M. Philip A. and John B. Garver are both connected with the Garver Brothers Company, and both are veterans of the World war, in which they served in the aviation branch of the United States Army, as second lieutenants. John B. Garver volunteered in September, 1917, received his training in Texas, and was sent overseas in February, 1918. He was in the active flying service, and was the only ace from Tuscarawas County. Wounded in the service, he remained overseas until March, 1919. Philip A. Garver volunteered in October, 1917, and remained in the service until after the signing of the armistice, when he received his honorable discharge, but was not sent overseas. Both brothers are members of the American Legion, and have served as commanders of the Strasburg Post of that order.

Charles E. Holzer, M. D. By a consensus of professional opinion the Holzer Hospital at Gallipolis is called one of the finest equipped private hospitals in the southern part of the state. It ranks with any of the best in the City of Cincinnati. Its founder and owner is Dr. Charles E. Holzer, one of the very able young surgeons of Ohio.

Doctor Holzer was born in Sherwood, Defiance County, Ohio, July 29, 1887, son of William F. and Susan F. (Kinter) Holzer. Both the Holzers and Kinters were of old German-American stock, and in every generation staunch in their American citizenship. Doctor Holzer's grandparents, Carl and Elizabeth (Miller) Holzer, brought their family to the United States in 1848. Carl Holzer was a close friend of Carl Schurz, who also came to America after the failure of the German revolutionary movement of 1848, and subsequently became one of the distinguished Americans of the last century. Carl Holzer located at Fort Wayne, Indiana. The maternal grandfather of Doctor Holzer was John Kinter. His name will always stand high and honored in the history of American agriculture. He first introduced into this country a type of clover grown in Alsace, and long known in America by the term "Alsike Clover." He was a mechanical genius, inventing the first clover seed huller, and also the first hay loader. He was an enthusiastic apiarist, and had much to do with the development of bee culture in the United States. His home was in Defiance County, Ohio.

Doctor Holzer's parents are living. His father has been in the railroad service all his life, was reared and educated in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Valparaiso, Indiana, and is now a division superintendent for the Big Four Railroad. He has been active in the republican party, serving on the county central committee, and is a member of the Masonic order. He and Susan F. Kinter were married in Defiance County, Ohio, in 1883. They had three children; Harry V. whose four children are named Carl, Margaret, Fred and Mary Ann; Doctor Charles E. and Marie, who married George E. Ehrhart.

Dr. Charles E. Holzer finished his high school education at Van Wert, Ohio, and entered the medical

school of Ohio State University at Columbus, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1909. In 1910 he engaged in private practice at Gallipolis. His subsequent studies and work that have brought him an eminent degree of fame as a surgeon have been continued through his own private practice and through post-graduate work in the Post Graduate Medical School of New York City and Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. During 1911, and during 1911-12, he organized and built his private hospital at Gallipolis. He closed it and spent the year 1913 abroad, most of the time at Vienna, where he was accorded unusual opportunities to study, observe and work with the great surgeons of his time. On returning to Gallipolis he reopened his hospital. The Holzer Hospital contains eighty-six private rooms, and in addition to its material equipment, is noted for its surgical and medical staff, comprising specialists, all men of thoroughness in their lines of work. The personnel of the staff makes it possible to give special treatment in obstetrics, pediatrics, internal medicine, X-ray, and there is a clinic for diagnosis.

Doctor Holzer married at Columbus, October 1, 1914, Miss Alma E. Vorn Holt, daughter of Fredrick, J. Vorn Holt, a contractor and builder. Mrs. Holzer is the second of five children, the others being Hugo H., Otto A., Hulda Marie and Lydia Clara. Doctor and Mrs. Holzer have five children, named Charles E. Jr., Alma Christine, Richard V., Louise and Elizabeth Ann. Doctor Holzer is a Fellow in the American College of surgeons. He belongs to the Alpha Kappa Kappa college fraternity, the County, State and American Medical associations, is a Knight Templar Mason, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. During the war he was commissioned lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, in October, 1918, and was assigned to duty in Hospital No. 13 at Chattanooga, Tennessee, until January, 1919, when he was relieved.

John W. Downing is a native son of Pike County, and since the organization of the Piketon National Bank, has been identified with that institution. He is now cashier and the executive officer, and one of the very influential men of the community. On November 6, 1923, he was elected mayor of Piketon for a term of two years.

Mr. Downing was born near Piketon, August 12, 1875, son of George and Anna (Allen) Downing. His grandfather, George Downing, was of English ancestry and came from Maryland to Ohio in 1796. The father of the Piketon banker was born in 1800, and at age of twelve years began operating a flat boat on the Ohio River to New Orleans. He spent the greater part of his life as a farmer, and became a large land owner and well-to-do. Among the private papers owned by John W. Downing are some land patents issued to his ancestors and signed by Presidents Jefferson, Van Buren and Polk. His father, George Downing, died August 9, 1881, at the age of eighty-one. His mother, Anna Allen Downing, who died March 26, 1884, was a daughter of William and Abigail Allen. John W. Downing is the youngest of five children. His brother George married Phoebe Voelker. His sister Elizabeth married Edward Kendall, and her four children are: Laura, Edith, Eva and George, Laura being the wife of Floyd Elcess and Eva the wife of Clifford Householder. The second sister of John W. Downing, Hannah, married James Hall, and has three children, named John, James and George. The other son, William Downing, married Mary Spence, and his two children are Arthur and Roy.

John W. Downing acquired his education in the district schools and through a normal course in the Piketon schools, and also in 1896-97 was a student in the Lexington Business College in Kentucky. After completing his commercial education he was in the employ of the Will Dougherty Company of Waverly for about five years. On October 20, 1903, the Piketon National Bank was organized and opened for business January 1, 1904. Mr. Downing went with the bank as bookkeeper and assistant cashier, and since 1916 has been cashier of this substantial institution. As a banker he was identified with all the monied campaigns during the World war, and was a member of the last registration board. He is a member of the United Brethren Church, Masonic Lodge, the Improved Order of Red Men and the Modern Woodmen of America.

On March 17, 1901, in Pike County, Mr. Downing married Miss Minnie L. Voelker, daughter of Frederick and Mary (Foerst) Voelker. The parents were born in Germany and came as children to the United States. Her grandfathers were ministers of the United Brethren Church. Her father was a farmer, and died in 1909. Mrs. Downing is, like her husband, the youngest of five children, the others being George, John, James and Rosa. George Voelker, another son, died of diphtheria October 28, 1910, at the age of seven years. The one son of Mr. and Mrs. Downing is John W., Jr.

Eli N. Fair. During a period of twenty-two years Eli N. Fair has been one of the leading members of the Tuscarawas County bar, with headquarters at New Philadelphia. While his practice has been large and important, necessitating his close attention and much of his time, he has found the opportunity to serve in various public offices, in all of which he has acquitted himself in such a manner as to win universal approval and confidence.

Mr. Fair was born December 29, 1867, on a farm in German Township, Holmes County, Ohio, and is a son of Nathaniel and Theresa (Mutschelknaus) Fair. His father was born in the same county, March 13, 1837, a son of Elah Fair, who was of German lineage and came from Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, to Ohio. He settled in Holmes County, where he became a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer, and lived to the ripe old age of eighty-four years, his death occurring in 1900, when his community lost a valued resident. He was a staunch republican in politics. In church faith and activities he was one of the pioneer United Brethren of his county. Mr. Fair possessed sterling qualities of heart and mind, and was truly a pioneer of Holmes County, where he cleared from the virgin forest a farm in excess of 160 acres, and contributed a large share to the history and development of the county.

Nathaniel Fair, the father of Eli N. Fair, was, like his father, a farmer, a republican and a member of the United Brethren Church, in the faith of which he died May 5, 1918. He was twice married, his first wife being Sarah Markley, who bore him a son, Joseph Henry Fair, who died leaving three children. After his first wife's death Nathaniel Fair married Theresa Mutschelknaus, who was born in Walnut Township, Holmes County. Married in 1864, they journeyed life together for more than half a century, when Mr. Fair was called to his final rest. Mrs. Fair resides on the same farm and has passed the eighty-seventh milestone of life, having been born March 27, 1837. She bore her husband ten children: Mary A., Albert N., Eli N., Oliver, George, Sylvester, Edwin, William, Michael M. and Nathaniel N. Of these Oliver is deceased.

Eli N. Fair was reared on the home farm, and there learned the lessons of toil and endeavor which have since served him well in his undertakings in life. He received a good preliminary education in the country schools, and at the age of twenty years

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began teaching school in the rural districts. This vocation became the means of gaining further education and preparing himself to become a lawyer, and for a while he taught and attended school alternately. In all, he spent eleven years in the schoolroom as a teacher, this, however, not being done consecutively. Mr. Fair matriculated in Ohio Northern University at Ada, and there took both a classical and a law course, and from this institution received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1895, the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1896, and still later the degree of Master of Arts. He was admitted to the bar in 1895, but did not begin practicing law at once, continuing to teach school until 1902 and then opening a law office at New Philadelphia, to which city he had moved in 1898, since when it has been his home. Mr. Fair has followed the family traditions as to political matters, being a staunch republican, and at various times has been called to public office by the vote of his fellow-citizens. He served two terms as a justice of the peace, and three terms as city solicitor, and in 1919 was elected mayor of New Philadelphia, a post to which he was reelected in 1921. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Encampment of that order, and is a Pythian, belonging also to the Knights of Khorassan of that fraternity.

In 1904 Mr. Fair was united in marriage with Miss Mabel Emmerson, a daughter of James R. and Martha Jane (English) Emmerson, of New Philadelphia. Mrs. Fair died November 11, 1922, leaving seven children: James E., Wilbur N., Robert Eli, Martha Jane and Ruth Naomi (twins), Theresa Bertha and Mary Elizabeth.

Charles Barthelmeh. A service of thirty years, practically all his mature manhood, devoted to the cause of education makes Charles Barthelmeh one of the prominent men in his profession in Ohio. For the past ten years he has held the post of county superintendent of schools for Tuscarawas County.

Mr. Barthelmeh has lived in the United States since early childhood. He was born in Rhenish Prussia, Germany, January 1, 1876. His great-grandfather Barthelmeh was a native of Alsace-Lorraine, and of French ancestry. His grandfather, Karl Barthelmeh, was born in Rhenish Prussia. Jacob Barthelmeh, his father, was born in the same country, and in 1883 brought his family to the United States, locating at Baltic in Tuscarawas County, where he has since had his home on a farm, though most of his living has been earned in the service of the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway. Jacob Barthelmeh married Caroline Schmidt, of pure German ancestry. She is now deceased. She was the mother of seven sons and one daughter.

Charles Barthelmeh lived as a boy in the Village of Baltic, attended the village schools there, and was seventeen years of age when he qualified and undertook his first term as a teacher in the rural district. For ten years his work was in rural schools. Following that he had charge of the village school at Sugarcreek, also the township schools, serving under two school boards. This position he held five years and then was similarly employed at Strasburg until 1914.

Mr. Barthelmeh has been a deep student of books and affairs, and has utilized his opportunities to advance his own education. He holds the degree Bachelor of Science in Education, conferred by the Kent State Teachers' College, and has taken short courses in Wooster College and Scio College. In 1914 he was first elected county superintendent of schools, and has been returned to that office by unanimous reelection. He is a member of the Eastern Ohio, the Ohio State and the National Educational associations, and also belongs to the National Superintendents' Association, and is a member of the State Board of School Examiners. Mr. Barthelmeh is a democrat, is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and fraternally is affiliated with the Masonic Order, Knights of Pythias and the Grange. He married Miss Olive Rinehart in 1898. She was born in Tuscarawas County. Their two children are: Addis K., a graduate of the Home Economics Department of Ohio State University, and at present teaching in the New Philadelphia High School, and Robert C., a student in the Colorado State College of Agriculture at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Robert Selmo Barton, M. D. Forty years in the active practice of medicine and surgery, accompanied by many civic responsibilities and duties well performed, gives Doctor Barton a place of enviable prominence in Tuscarawas County, where he has practiced the greater part of his professional career. For over a quarter of a century his home has been at New Philadelphia.

Doctor Barton was born on a farm near Pleasant City, Guernsey County, Ohio, February 22, 1860, a grandson of Richard and Priscilla (Hawes) Barton. The name Barton is English, and the Bartons have lived in Virginia since Colonial times. Richard Barton was born in Loudoun County, Virginia, and, coming from there to Ohio, settled in Guernsey County, where he spent the rest of his life. He and his wife reared a large family, including Benjamin, Elizabeth, Sydney, John, Harriet and Sarah. John Barton, father of Doctor Barton, was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, August 14, 1837, and died July 22, 1924. He spent his entire life in that community, an industrious and respected farmer. He was reared in the faith of the Christian Church, but as a young man joined the Methodist Episcopal denomination. For many years he was a staunch supporter of the prohibition political party. John Barton married Sarah Zella Call, who was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, September 23, 1838, and died in Guernsey County, May 23, 1899. Her parents, Nicholas and Margaret (Davidson) Call, were also born in Westmoreland County, and from there came to Ohio in 1850, spending the rest of their days in Guernsey County. The name Call is of Irish origin. Sarah Zella Barton was reared a Methodist, and in early girlhood united with the church and was devoted to its service the rest of her life. She was the mother of four children: Robert Selmo, Alvin Asbury, Ernest and Charlene.

Robert Selmo Barton grew up on a farm, being the oldest of the four children. As soon as his strength permitted he assisted in the labor of the homestead, and in that way aided his father in buying a small farm. His was a youth of industry and severe discipline in frugal habits. His opportunities were confined to the country schools and a few terms in the high school, but making the best possible use of these advantages he secured a teacher's license and for three years taught in country districts during the winter, while he assisted his father on the farm during the summer seasons. During the last two years of his teaching he studied medicine at night and other intervals under the direction of a practicing physician at Cumberland in Guernsey County. For one term he attended a summer medical school conducted by Wooster University in Cleveland. This enabled him to enter the senior class and in one year complete the course of study in Columbus Medical College at Columbus, which he entered in the fall of 1883 and graduated in March, 1884.

Doctor Barton began the private practice of medicine at Young Hickory in Muskingum County, and a little over three years later moved to Baltic, Tuscarawas County. He gained a large practice and remained in that community over ten years. In 1898 he moved to New Philadelphia, and has been one of the outstanding men in his profession in this section of Ohio ever since. Doctor Barton was a charter member of the Dover and New Philadelphia Hospital Association, which promoted the Union Hospital between these two adjoining cities. He was elected a member of its board of trustees, and served several years as trustee and also as president of this association. Five years ago he was again elected trustee, and has since been its president. He has been active in the Tuscarawas County Medical Society and is also a member of the Ohio State Medical Association, and through his own career and private study and attending colleges and clinics has kept in close touch with medicine and surgery. In 1893 he spent some time in the Chicago Post Graduate School of Medicine. In his early career he served as coroner of Tuscarawas County, and for twelve years was a member of the City Board of Education in New Philadelphia.

Doctor Barton is a democrat in politics, but has never sought honors in politics beyond what service he could render through his profession. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a Knights Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis Club. He was one of the organizers of the Merchants State Bank of New Philadelphia, and has served as a director and as its vice president. He is also vice president of the Democrat Publishing Company of New Philadelphia.

In the World war Doctor Barton was a member of the local draft board, and as a physician and private citizen exerted himself strenuously in the various patriotic activities. It was largely as a result of this arduous work that he suffered a breakdown of health, and on January 1, 1919, was compelled to retire from active practice. Five years later, having regained his health, he resumed his professional work. He has lived a most useful life, has a splendid reputation in his profession and is held in high esteem by all classes.

Doctor Barton married Miss Mary E. Markley. They have an adopted daughter, Beulah Marie Barton, who is a graduate of the Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, and holds a state life high school teacher's certificate. She is now instructor in English and athletics in the high school at New Philadelphia.

Burt Allen Marquand, M. D. A physician and surgeon of high standing in Tuscarawas County for over twenty years, Doctor Marquand, of New Philadelphia, was born in Ohio, grew up on a farm, and trained himself by rigid industry and discipline. Among other sources of the esteem in which he is held was his service as a medical officer in the World war.

Doctor Marquand was born at Conesville in Coshocton County, Ohio, December 20, 1874, son of James Scott and Mary Ellen (Cave) Marquand. His father was born in Coshocton County, son of John Marquand, a native of the Isle of Guernsey and of French ancestry. Mary Ellen Cave was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, daughter of Paul Cave, who came to Ohio from Pennsylvania. James Scott Marquand was a well known citizen of Conesville, and devoted his active life to teaching and farming.

One of a family of nine children, Burt Allen Marquand, grew up on a farm, attended public schools, and at the age of twenty-one began teaching. The five years he spent in the educational profession gave him the means to attend medical college. He was graduated in medicine at the Ohio State University in 1902. The following year he practiced at Keene, Coshocton County, and since then has been in Tuscarawas County. For eleven years he was a physician at Roswell, and in 1914 moved to Dover. He was conducting a busy practice in that community when America entered the World war. In May, 1917, he volunteered, and on July 17, 1917, received commission as first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps. He was ordered to report for active duty on September 15, 1917. In the meantime he was the victim of an automobile accident, in which one of his legs was injured, and as a result the order was revoked. It was July 4, 1918, before he was again called to active duty, going to Camp Greenleaf and two weeks later to Camp Lee at Petersburg, Virginia, where he served as surgeon of the Fourteenth Battalion Replacement Camp until after the armistice. He received his honorable discharge December 2, 1918.

After leaving the army Doctor Marquand resumed his practice at Dover, in March, 1919, locating at New Philadelphia. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations. He is one of the medical staff of Union Hospital. Doctor Marquand is a Knights Templar Mason, and is a member of the Kiwanis and Union Country Club. He married in 1906 Miss Bertha Carr, of Coshocton County.

James Raymond Hill has been identified as a practicing attorney with the bar of Tuscarawas County for the past twelve years, and is a member of one of the leading law firms in New Philadelphia. He still maintains his home in his native Village of Dennison, and is a son of the late John W. Hill, a conspicuous citizen in the affairs of Tuscarawas County for many years.

John W. Hill was born at Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio, November 9, 1858, son of Eli and Mary (Penn) Hill. Eli Hill, a native of Maryland, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, married at Cadiz, Ohio, Mary Penn, who was born in England, and was very young when her parents came and settled in Cadiz. In 1872 Eli Hill and wife moved to Dennison. He was a soldier in the Civil war, and for many years was a manufacturer of lime.

John W. Hill was fourteen years old when his parents moved to Dennison. His school advantages were confined to the public schools, and as a youth he became a shoe salesman at Dennison and later engaged in the shoe business on his own account. In 1902 he was elected clerk of the court of Tuscarawas County, serving two terms of three years each. In order to perform his official duties he moved his home to New Philadelphia, and on the expiration of his second term returned to Dennison, where he lived for several years, until he retired, engaged in the furniture and undertaking business. He served on the Council and was clerk of the City of Dennison and was three times mayor of that municipality. In politics he was active as a democrat, and was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He and his wife were Presbyterians.

John W. Hill, who died at Dennison June 22, 1923, married Sarah A. Ferguson, who was born in Steubenville, Ohio, daughter of Thomas D. and Jane (Curfman) Ferguson, the Fergusons being of Scotch ancestry. Thomas D. Ferguson was a Union soldier in the Civil war, and afterwards a merchant at Steubenville. Mrs. John W. Hill died at Dennison in 1891, at the age of thirty-three, leaving two children, James Raymond, and Stella, now the wife of H. E. Barnhouse, of Bridgeport, Ohio.

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James Raymond Hill was born at Dennison, March 10, 1886, and while growing up there, attended the public schools. He was graduated from the high school at New Philadelphia in 1904, and following that worked as a clerk in the office of his father, the clerk of court, for three years. Then followed a year in the Liberal Art and Law Department of the Ohio State University, when he returned home and for two years was chief clerk in the office of the clerk of county court, under his father. Mr. Hill then resumed his studies in the Ohio State University, taking the three years' course in law and graduating in 1912. The year before he graduated he was admitted to the bar, upon examination, and since 1912 has steadily practiced with a growing clientage at New Philadelphia, being a member of the firm of Seikel & Hill.

Mr. Hill is a democrat, is a Knights Templar Mason and a Presbyterian. He married in 1914 Miss Pearl M. Mathias, a native of Tuscarawas County and daughter of E. E. and Mary Mathias, of New Philadelphia. They have two children, Ruth Carolyn and Dorothy May.

Fred B. Larimore, M. D. had the equipment and experience of a general physician and surgeon for a number of years, but since 1912 has confined his practice largely to eye, ear, nose and throat, and is the leading specialist in that line in Tuscarawas County, his home and office being at New Philadelphia.

Doctor Larimore was born on a farm three miles south of Granville, in Licking County, July 5, 1878, son of John and Hannah M. (Lane) Larimore, both natives of Licking County, the Larimore and Lane families coming to this state from Pennsylvania. The grandfathers were James Larimore and Richard Lane. John Larimore was a farmer, and one of the more successful sheep raisers of Ohio in his generation. He lived to the age of seventy-nine and his wife to eighty-three, both being active members of the Baptist Church. Of nine children Dr. Fred B. is the youngest.

Doctor Larimore attended country schools and the local academy, had a farm for his early environment, and for two years continued his literary education in Denison College. He took his regular course in medicine at Starling Medical College at Columbus, and was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1903. Doctor Larimore practiced for eight years at Port Washington in Tuscarawas County; following that came a year of post graduate work in New York City, in the New York Post Graduate Medical College and the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, and in 1912 he located at New Philadelphia, where he has found his talents fully taken up with work in his special field. In 1918 he again did special work and attended clinics while a student at the Chicago Post Graduate School of Medicine. He is a member of the Tuscarawas, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Larimore gives his full time to his profession. His one business duty is as a director of the Canton Brick and Fireproofing Company. He is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Baptist Church. Doctor Larimore married, in 1906, Miss Emma Brown, of Licking County. They have two children: Rachael Ellen and Fred Brown Larimore.

James B. Malone is a Springfield attorney and has built up an extended reputation and practice in corporation law. He was born at South Charleston, Clark County, Ohio, June 2, 1881, son of James and Katherine (Sweeney) Malone. The Malones came from Ireland in 1753, settling at Philadelphia. Of three brothers only one came to Ohio. Bernard Malone, great-grandfather of James B., was a soldier in the Revoluntionary war. His son, James Malone, was a Civil war soldier, and married Katherine Armstrong. James Malone, father of the attorney, was reared in the faith of the Baptist Church, but for many years has been a Catholic. His wife, Katherine Sweeney, is a daughter of James and Mary (Roddy) Sweeney, both of whom were born in Ireland, but were married in the United States, being brought to this country by their parents.

James B. Malone, only child of his parents, graduated from the high school at South Charleston in 1900, and then entered the Ohio State University at Columbus, where he took his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1904. His law was pursued in Georgetown University at Washington, D. C., where he graduated with the Jurum Doctor degree in 1906. He was admitted to the bar and began practice in Springfield in the same year, and his work has more and more involved corporation law. He has been admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court and all of the Federal and State courts. During the World war he acted as food administrator of Clark County and as a member of the Legal Advisory Board, and was one of the four-minute speakers.

Mr. Malone married, January 8, 1908, at Springfield, Miss Alice Wren, daughter of Edward and Kinnane Wren. Her father died in 1917 and her mother in 1898. Edward Wren at the time of his death was the leading merchant of Springfield, and as a monument to his enterprise The Wren Department Store is still conducted in his name and is by far the largest institution of the kind in the city. Mr. and Mrs. Malone have two children, Wren and Margaret, attending school. Mr. and Mrs. Malone are members of the St. Raphael Catholic Church. He belongs to the Delta Chi fraternity, Knights of Columbus, the Chamber of Commerce and both country clubs at Springfield.

Al C. Russi is a native Ohioan, and for many years has been an expert in the meat packing industry. He came to Athens in 1906, and was the expert in charge of the building of the plant of the F. C. Stedman Packing Company. After the plant was completed he took charge of its operations, and is now vice president and general manager of the business.

Mr. Russi was born at Zanesville, Ohio, April 6, 1873, son of Louis and Anna (Sailer) Russi. His father was born in France, and was four years old when brought to the United States, and his mother was seven when her people came from Germany. Louis Russi died in 1916, and his wife in 1900. He spent his active career as a shoemaker and mill worker. He was a member of the Order of Druids at Zanesville, and belonged to the Presbyterian Church. There were eight children in the family, four sons and four daughters. The sons were: Fred, of Zanesville; Louis, who died in 1913; Charles, of Zanesville; and Al C.

Al C. Russi was reared in Zanesville, attended the public schools, and at the age of fifteen began work, since which time he has been the master of his own destiny. He learned the butcher's trade, and is one of the best qualified men in the state on all phases of meat packing. For several years he was in the Zanesville Packing House, in charge of production. His record there brought him the attractive offer to move to Athens in 1906. The late Mr. F. C. Stedman was for many years in the wholesale grocery business at Athens, and had the packing plant built as a means of extending his local business. After Mr. Stedman's death, on January 20, 1920, Al C.

Russi took general charge of both the wholesale grocery and the packing business. In October, 1922, the grocery business was taken over by C. D. Shafer, and since then Mr. Russi has devoted his entire time to the packing company of which he is vice president and general manager. The product of this plant goes to all portions of Ohio, and its capacity was greatly increased by additions and improvements in 1916.

Outside of his business Mr. Russi is completely devoted to his home. He married in February, 1898, Miss Pearl Sidle, of Zanesville. They are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is a Knight Templar, Mason and Elk.

Stewart Lawrence Tatum. A successful practice of law at Springfield for a quarter of a century is the first point of interest to note in connection with Stewart Lawrence Tatum. Along with the work of his profession he has maintained an earnest interest and active part in politics and public affairs, and has had not only local but some responsibilities to identify him with the state at large.

Mr. Tatum was born at Cleveland, Ohio, July 9, 1871, son of Lawrence W. and Agnes M. Tatum, and grandson of David and Hannah (Butler) Tatum. His father was a mining engineer by profession, and the mother resides at Joplin, Missouri. Besides Stewart L. there are four other children: Wright Hadley, of Joplin, Missouri; Edward H., of Los Angeles; Elizabeth McCurdy, of Glencoe, Illinois, and Marie Carqueville, of Highland Park, Illinois.

Stewart Lawrence Tatum was reared in Cleveland, where he attended grammar and high school, took his advanced literary course in Earlham College at Richmond, Indiana, and his law course at the University of Michigan. He was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1898, was admitted to the bars of Michigan and Illinois the same year, and in 1899 to the Ohio bar. Since that year he has practiced at Springfield, his first associate in practice being Frank M. Krapp.

Most of Mr. Tatum's political campaigning was done in the early years before his practice reached a point where it commanded his full energies and talents. In 1900 he was candidate on the democratic ticket for Congress. In 1903 he was elected city solicitor of Springfield, serving until 1908. He served as president of the commission that framed the charter for the City of Springfield in 1913. In 1915 Governor James M. Cox appointed him a member of the committee to investigate the financial condition of cities, and to the valuable reports submitted Mr. Tatum's name is signed as chairman of the committee.

He is a member of the Federal, District, Clark County and Ohio State Bar associations, is a Knights Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Tatum married at Springfield, December 21, 1899, Miss Grace Cowan, daughter of Frank and Harriet Cowan.

C. Forgy Moorehead, city auditor of Springfield, is one of the substantial men of Clark County whose abilities are given to the service of the public. He commands the confidence of the people of the section in which he was born, and where practically all of his life has been spent. He was born at Springfield, January 17, 1898, a son of Charles T. and Ida M. (Eshelman) Moorehead. Charles T. Moorehead is a foundryman, and is engaged in work at his trade at Springfield. The mother died in 1906, having borne her husband two children: J. Reyburn, who married Maud Anderson, has one daughter, Pearl; and C. Forgy, who is the younger. The father is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Fraternally he affiliates with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The paternal grandparents were Templeton and Elizabeth Moorehead, natives of Pennsylvania; while the maternal grandfather was David Eshelman. In the '30s the Mooreheads left Pennsylvania for Ohio, and it was in this state that Charles T. Moorehead was born. It was about the same time that the Eshelmans arrived in Ohio.

Graduated from the Springfield High School, C. Forgy Moorehead, in 1916, took a course in bookkeeping and accounting, and then became estimator for the William Bayley Company, manufacturers of steel window sash and door frames. After remaining with this company for two years Mr. Moorehead went with the International Harvester Company for three months, at the end of which period he was appointed assistant city auditor, and continued to hold that position until April, 1922, when he was appointed city auditor to succeed Walter J. Barrett. The City of Springfield being under the commission form of government, he holds his office at the pleasure of the commission. During the late war he was not called into service, although he tried to enlist.

In November, 1920, Mr. Moorehead married, at Urbana, Ohio, Miss Evelyn Bentine, a daughter of Fred and Celesta Bentine, both of whom are living. There were four children born to Mr. and Mrs. Bentine, namely: Mrs. Moorehead, who is the eldest; Roy, who is a veteran of the World war; Fred, Jr., and Robert, the last three being unmarried. Mr. Bentine is a printer by trade. He is a Chapter and Council Mason, and belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Moorehead have a son, Fred Forgy. Mr. Moorehead is a Knight Templar Mason and a Shriner. He also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. Reared in the Methodist Episcopal Church, he early united with it. A thoroughgoing, conscientious man of high ideals, he deserves the position he occupies in his home community, for he has honorably earned it through his uprightness and integrity.

Harry L. Agner, who has spent the greater part of his life in Union County, is well known as a newspaper publisher and a leader in the republican party in his section of the state. He is proprietor of the Milford Center Ohioan.

Mr. Agner was born March 29, 1868, at New Moorefield, Clark County, Ohio, son of William H. and Margaret H. (Burns) Agner, both now deceased. His father was for many years engaged in the cooperage business. His mother was a descendant of the family of Robert Burns, the great Scotch poet.

Harry L. Agner attended country schools and also the Marysville public schools, and was only sixteen years of age when he began his apprenticeship and learned the printer's trade at Marysville. He was trained under the direction of a veteran printer and publisher, John Shearer, of the Marysville Tribune, and subsequently spent some time with the Marysville Journal. He is a master of everything connected with printing, and has had a long and successful experience in country journalism.

Mr. Agner in 1910 acquired the Milford Center Ohioan, and is owner and editor of this influential weekly, circulating over the southern half of Union County, and a chief medium of news and advertising for the community centering around Milford Center. The paper is independent in politics.

Mr. Agner himself has long been identified with the fortunes of the republican party in Union County and the state. He has served as chairman of the Union County Central and Executive committees, served as an alternate delegate to the National Re-

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publican Convention at Cleveland in 1924, and was a delegate to the State Convention at Columbus the same year.

Mr. Agner has carried some official responsibilities in Milford Center practically ever since he became a newspaper publisher there. He was on the school board four years, from 1912 to 1916, was mayor of the village from 1914 to 1916, and since 1922 has been a member of the county health board. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and with the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan Club at Columbus. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Agner has one of the beautifully appointed modern homes of Milford Center. He married at Columbus, July 4, 1894, Catherine C. Lachenmier, of Marysville, daughter of Gottleib and Louise (Baessler) Lachenmier, who were natives of Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Agner have two children: Margaret Louise, wife of Glenn E. Coe, a farmer near Milford Center, and William Edward, associated with his father on the Milford Center Ohioan.

Richwood Public Library. An institution that fills an important place in the educational and cultural side of the community of Richwood, in Union County, is the public library. It was organized in 1915 through the efforts of the Carpe Diem Club, the woman's club of the town. The first books were given by the citizens on a day set aside for a "book shower." The first librarian was Miss Mae Harriman. The continued growth and development of the library has been largely due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Ed Schambs, Mrs. Charles King, Mrs. Grace Cushman, Mrs. Lewis Beem and Mrs. D. C. Copp. Through gifts from these and other parties and by popular subscription the library is now housed in its own building. The library has a collection of 2,100 volumes, well distributed among the various divisions of literature, and the librarian also subscribes for some of the leading magazines. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Graham, formerly of Richwood, and now with the Methodist Book Concern, have greatly aided with gift books and otherwise.

The first library board consisted of the following members: Rev. J. C. Lloyd, Mr. L. J. McCoy, A. R. Klipstine, Dr. H. C. Dukes, Mrs. John Shepley and Mrs. C. E. King. The present board is: A. R. Klipstine, president; L. J. McCoy, treasurer; Mrs. R. C. Peet, secretary; Prof. William E. Beeman, Dr. A. C. Duke and John Shipley.

Dallas Sullivan, member of the Legislature in Union County, has put into his brief career many activities and services that mark him as an important citizen of Central Ohio.

Mr. Sullivan, whose home is in Richwood, Union County, was born in Hall Township, Hardin County, Ohio, near Mount Victory, November 17, 1892, son of John W. and Lena May (Larry) Sullivan. His father still lives on his fine farm near Mount Victory. On that farm Dallas Sullivan spent his boyhood years, attending the common schools and graduating from Washington Township High School in 1910. While teaching he pursued his advanced education during summer sessions in Ohio Northern University at Ada, and Ohio University at Athens. Mr. Sullivan has to his credit a successful experience as a teacher. For three years he taught in country schools and five years in high school at Union County.

Since 1920 he has been manager of the Richwood Farmers' Exchange Company. The members and patrons of that company have learned to esteem ability and integrity, and Union County has no more popular citizen. In 1922 he was elected to represent Union County in the Ohio State Legislature, and in 1924 was again nominated on the republican ticket for reelection. He was one of the earnest and hard working members of the Eighty-fifth General Assembly.

Mr. Sullivan in 1917 began training for service in the World war at the University of Cincinnati and subsequently at Camp Meigs, Ohio, and finally was in the Officers Training School when discharged at Camp Sherman, January 28, 1919. He is a member of the American Legion, is affiliated with the Masons and Odd Fellows and is a member of the Episcopal Church of Richwood.

He married at Richwood, March 26, 1916, Miss Martha Graham, daughter of Leonard and Jennie (Kezertee) Graham, her parents being retired farmers. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan have one daughter, Helen Louise.

William Henry Owrey, collector for the city water department of Ironton, Lawrence County, was for twenty years engaged in the plumbing business in this city, and few citizens are better known or have a wider circle of friends in Lawrence County.

Mr. Owrey, was born at Wheeling, West Virginia, March 15, 1856, several years before the segregation of that state from the mother state of Virginia. Mr. Owrey moved from Wheeling, West Virginia, to Ironton, Ohio, May 1, 1864. His parents, the late Adam and Clara (Gibson) Owrey, were both born in the State of Pennsylvania. Adam Owrey established his residence at Wheeling, West Virginia, about the year 1853, his marriage having there been solemnized, and his wife having accompanied her parents on their removal to that city. Mr. Owrey served as a member of the West Virginia Home Guards in the period of the Civil war, and assisted in the capture of Gen. John Morgan, the celebrated Confederate raider who made invasions into Ohio. The subject of this sketch is the eldest in a family of five children; the eldest daughter, Mrs. Ida Sharp, has two children; Charles Lincoln, the second son, is deceased; Joseph Ellsworth resides at Ironton and has seven children; Mrs. Leah Trudy, youngest of the children, is the mother of four children. Adam Owrey came to Ironton, Ohio, at the time the iron works were here established, and he was here foreman of the forge department of the iron works for the long period of thirty-six years. His death occurred here March 29, 1915, fourteen days after the eighty-third anniversary of his birth, which occurred March 15, 1832. His wife preceded him to the life eternal, and both were earnest members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

William H. Owrey was a boy at the time of the family removal to Ironton, and here he was graduated from high school as a member of the class of 1874. He was thereafter indentured to learn the machinist's trade, and served a thorough apprenticeship of three years. Thereafter he worked three years as a journeyman at his trade, and for the ensuing fifteen and one-half years he held the position of bookkeeper in the offices of the same concern, the Lambert Brothers Company. He then established himself in the plumbing business, which he here continued twenty years, at the expiration of which he sold the business. He was also one of the pioneers in the building and loan business at Ironton. After selling his plumbing business Mr. Owrey purchased a farm in Lawrence County, and after giving five years to the management of this place he returned to Ironton, where he has since continued to serve as collector for the city water department.

In 1880 Mr. Owrey became one of the organizers of the Eagle Building & Loan Company, which later was merged with the Star Building & Loan Company. April 27, 1887, he and others organized the Iron City

Building & Loan Company, and of the same he has served continuously as secretary to the present time, with virtual executive control of the business during the long intervening years. Mr. Owrey is a valued member of the Ironton Chamber of Commerce, is a Knight Templar Mason, is a republican in politics, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Congregational Church. On the paternal side he traces his ancestry back to staunch Holland Dutch origin, the family having early been established in America.

On the 18th of December, 1883, in the City of Cincinnati, Mr. Owrey wedded Miss Ida Bliss, daughter of the late Van Rensalaer and Susan (Sidwell) Bliss, the former a native of New York State and the latter of Kentucky. Mr. Bliss was long engaged in the tailoring business at Maysville, Kentucky, and also served as a justice of the peace. To Mr. and Mrs. Owrey were born three children: Lillian Nelson is the wife of William H. Keller, of Columbus, Ohio, and they have two children. William Taylor Owrey, who is now holding a responsible position in the United States horticultural department, Washington, D. C., married in that city Miss Helen Jones. He was taking a course in the agricultural department of the University of Ohio at the time when the nation became involved in the World war, he entered military service at Fort Benjamin Harrison, where he won the rank of second lieutenant. Later he as assigned to duty as training officer in charge of three companies of colored troops at Fort Dodge, and after arriving in France he was assigned charge of all soldier entertainments. The transport on which he went overseas lost 129 soldiers on the voyage, as a result of the influenza. After his return to his native land and the reception of his honorable discharge he took his present position with the horticultural department. The third of the children of the subject of this sketch was a son who died in infancy.

J. Warren Keifer. Among the many able men and women produced by Clark County, one whose life and service have kept up many vital points in the affairs of state and nation is Gen. J. Warren Keifer, one of the last remaining links to connect the modern present with the Clark County of sixty and more years ago. He was a young lawyer trying his first cases before the Civil war broke out, and in that war he gained imperishable fame as a soldier and Union officer. General Keifer since the Civil war has practiced law, has been a banker for about half a century, and has a long and honorable record in public affairs, serving fourteen terms in Congress, one term in the Forty-seventh Congress (1881-1883) as speaker of the House.

He was born on a farm on Mad River, in Bethel Township, Clark County, January 30, 1836, a son of Joseph and Mary (Smith) Keifer. His father, who was born at Sharpsburg, Maryland, December 28, 1784, was a pioneer of what is now Clark County, settling there in 1812. He was a well qualified civil engineer, and though his main occupation was farming his professional knowledge was of use in developing a new country, particularly in establishing common schools and the construction of highways. He died in Clark County, April 13, 1850. His wife, Mary Smith, was born January 31, 1799, in Losanteville, now Cincinnati, and died at Yellow Springs, Clark County, Ohio, March 23, 1879. Her family was of English ancestry, was early settled in New Jersey, and one branch of the name was established in Ohio in 1790.

General Keifer was educated in public schools and at Antioch College; and while working on the home farm took up the study of law. He also studied in the law office of Anthony & Goode. He was admitted to the bar at Springfield, January 12, 1858, before he was twenty-two years of age, and then began his work as a practicing lawyer in that city. He had just three years in which to win for himself a measure of success and proficiency as a lawyer before the Civil war came on.

He was one of the first to offer his services in Clark County, enlisting April 19, 1861. April 27 of the same year he was commissioned major of the Third Ohio Infantry for a period of three months, and soon afterward was recommissioned for three years. His first important engagement was the Battle of Rich Mountain, July 11, 1861, the first general field battle of the Civil war. He was at other points in the West Virginia campaign, being on the field of Cheat Mountain and Elk Water. February 12, 1862, he was commissioned lieutenant-colonel of the Third Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and during the events of that year in Kentucky and Tennessee he was at the capture of Bowling Green, at Nashville, at Huntsville and Bridgeport, Alabama, and in April, 1862, led an expedition into Georgia and performed an important service by destroying the saltpetre works at Nickajack Cave. September 30, 1862, he was commissioned colonel of the One Hundred and Tenth Ohio Infantry, then at Piqua, Ohio. He was assigned to General Milroy's command in West Virginia, and was assigned to command a brigade and the post at Moorefield. General Keifer was wounded during the Battle of Winchester, in June, 1863. July 9th of that year he was assigned with his regiment and brigade to the Third Army Corps, Army of the Potomac, and took part in the pursuit of General Lee's troops after the Battle of Gettysburg. He fought at Wapping Height, and in August he was dispatched with his command to New York City to suppress the draft riots and to enforce the draft. After this service was accomplished he retired to the main theater of war in September, and on November 27, 1863, was in the Battle of Mine Run. March 24, 1864, he was transferred with his brigade to the Sixth Army Corps. At the Battle of the Wilderness, May 5, 1864, he was seriously wounded, but in spite of his disability, soon resumed command of his brigade. With his wounded arm in a sling he took his place at the head of his troops under Generals Sheridan and Wright in the battles of Opequan, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek in the Shenandoah Valley campaign. At Opequan, September 19, 1864, a horse was shot from under him and he was again wounded. October 19, 1864, he commanded the Third Division Sixth Army Corps in the Battle of Cedar Creek, the Sheridan ride battle. President Lincoln brevetted him brigadier-general of volunteers "for gallant and meritorious services in the battles of Opequan, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek, Virginia," and December 29, 1864, President Lincoln assigned him to full duty as brigadier-general.

In December, 1864, with his own corps, General Keifer rejoined the Army of the Potomac in front of Petersburg. March 25, 1865, he led a successful assault, commended in general orders, and on April 2, charged with his division in the final assault which carried the main works and resulted in the capture of Petersburg and Richmond. On April 5 his command aided in cutting off the retreat of Lee's army and forced it to give battle on the 6th at Sailor's Creek, Virginia, during which movement General Keifer and Gen. Frank Wheaton, each commanding a division of the Sixth Army Corps, with some cavalry and artillery, defeated Gen. R. S. Ewell's wing of Lee's retreating army and succeeded in effecting the capture of over 10,000 of the enemy, including General Ewell and many other officers of high rank. Soon after this result General Keifer was given information that a body of the enemy

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lay concealed in a dense forest to the right. He rode in person to ascertain the correctness of the information, and coming suddenly upon the Confederate troops and taking advantage of the gathering darkness and the smoke of battle he shouted to the Confederates the command "forward," and they followed after him, suspecting nothing. On reaching the edge of the wood they discovered that they were being led by a Union officer, and General Keifer's troops soon surrounded the Confederate body and captured them all (about 2,000, a Marine Brigade), including Commodore John Randolph Tucker, their commander. Following the conclusion of the scene leading up to Appomattox, where General Keifer was present at the surrender, he started with his corps to North Carolina to aid in the capture of Gen. Joe E. Johnston's army, but was too late to be present at its capitulation to General Sherman.

General Keifer was wounded four times during the Civil war. He was honorably mustered out June 27, 1865. On November 30, 1866, he was appointed lieutenant-colonel of the Twenty-sixth United States Infantry, but declined this opportunity to continue a military career. General Keifer was one of a number of veteran officers of the Civil war from both sides who took up active duty again in arms at the time of the Spanish-American war. In April, 1898, though sixty-two years of age, he was appointed major-general by President McKinley and had command of the Seventh Army Corps at Miami and Jacksonville, Florida, and from Savannah embarked with 16,000 men for Cuba, establishing his headquarters at Buena Vista, just outside of Havana. He was in command of the American military forces when they took possession of the city January 1, 1899. He was mustered out May 12, 1899.

At the conclusion of the Civil war General Keifer resumed his law practice, and the law has always been his profession, though many weighty matters and interests have come between him and his practice. In later years he took in as associates his sons, William W. and Horace C. Keifer, and later included the General's grandson, Horace S. Keifer, who was an officer overseas in the recent World war.

In 1873 General Keifer became president of the Lagonda National Bank, and he has been head of that institution now for practically half a century. Soon after the Civil war he was drawn into politics, was elected and served in 1868-69 as a member of the Ohio Senate, was a delegate at large to the Republican National Convention of 1876, and thirty-two years later a delegate to the convention of 1908. In 1876 he was elected to his first term in Congress, the Forty-fifth Congress, and served continuously in that body as representative of the Seventh Ohio District from 1877 to 1885. General Keifer had the distinction of being the first and only Ohio man who was ever chosen to the speakership of the House of Representatives. He was elected to that honor March 4, 1881, and served in that capacity until March 4, 1883. After an interval of just twenty years General Keifer again consented to represent the Seventh District in Congress, being elected in 1904 and serving in the Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth and Sixty-first Congresses, from March 4, 1905 to March 4, 1911.

General Keifer was organizer of the Board of Control in 1868 for the Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home at Xenia, and was one of the trustees of this institution from 1870 to 1878. He has long been prominent in Grand Army circles, and was department commander in 1868-70 and vice-commander-in-chief in 1871-72. In 1903-04 he was commander of the Ohio Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion. General Keifer helped organize and was the first commander-in-chief during 1900-01 of the Spanish War Veterans. General Keifer is a well known Ohio orator, and in political campaigns has delivered many formal addresses on various occasions. He is a life member of the Ohio State Archæological and Historical Society, and during 1895-96 he devoted much of his time to the writing of an important historical work known as "Slavery and Four Years of War," which was published in 1900.

March 22, 1860, General Keifer married Miss Eliza Stout, of Springfield. She died March 12, 1899. To their marriage was born three sons and one daughter: Joseph Warren Keifer, Jr., who moved to Nebraska and became a member of the Legislature of that state; William W. and Major Horace C., both of whom took up the law and became partners with their father; and Margaret E., deceased.

JAMES WILLIAM WATTS, M. D. For over thirty years a practicing physician and surgeon, Doctor Watts was for sometime a well known figure in his profession at Columbus, but for the past half a dozen years has practiced at Vinton in Gallia County, in the same district where two generations of the family have lived.

Doctor Watts was born in Rodney, Gallia County, January 19, 1858, son of William Morrison and Mary E. (Campbell) Watts, and grandson of David Watts and of Samuel and Nellie Campbell. The Campbells were very early settlers in Gallia County. The original home of the Watts family was in the Shenanhoah Valley of Virginia, but one branch of the family came to Ohio and settled in Scioto County in 1803. William Morrison Watts, who died in November, 1891, was one of the old time country physicians of his generation, practicing his profession at South Webster and Scioto County for thirty years. His son, Doctor James W., for a time was associated with him there. Dr. James W. Watts had a brother who was a lieutenant in the Ninety-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war, and suffered what modern surgeons call shell shock, and was deaf to the end of his life. William Morrison Watts and wife, who died in 1883, had five children, Mattie E., Margaret, James William, Parker C. and Henry William.

James William Watts, only survivor of his parents' children, attended public schools at South Webster, began the study of medicine in the College of Lebanon, Ohio, and subsequently attended Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati. He received his medical degree there on March 4, 1892, and then for some years engaged in practice with his father at South Webster. After that he practiced in Columbus until 1918, and since that year has engaged in general practice at Vinton. While in Columbus he specialized in diseases of the stomach, liver and bowels, and took several post-graduate courses, both in Columbus and Cincinnati.

Doctor Watts married, September 28, 1901, Miss Euthemia Hill, one of the eight children of Wiley and Sarah Hill. Her father was a farmer. Doctor and Mrs. Watts have four children: Phillip Howard, unmarried; Sarah, who is the wife of a minister; Mary who married Claudius Smith and has a son, Paul; and Miss Belle, a missionary in India.

ELDON L. HAYES. In Eldon L. Hayes, senior member of the firm of Hayes & Barns, Wilmington has an able and experienced attorney, and Clinton County a public-spirited citizen, and for more than half a century the name of Hayes has been connected with the jurisprudence of this city and county. Eldon L. Hayes is a son of Melville and Louisa (Jordan) Hayes, natives of Warren and Clermont counties, Ohio, respectively, who were married in 1871, following which they located at Wilmington,

which continued to be their home, and there their seven children were born. The Baldwin and Tyson connections of the family of Rutherford B. Hayes, once President of the United States, run through the Melville Hayes family.

While his educational opportunities were few and poor, Melville Hayes overcame his early handicap, and was for some time a public school teacher at Sabina and in Clinton County, and in the meanwhile acquired a knowledge of law. He was admitted to the bar of Ohio July 24, 1869, and from 1882 until his death, in 1918, occupied the same suite as that of Hayes & Barns, and in it both Eldon L. Hayes and George C. Barns studied law. At that time the law firm was Hayes & Swain, the junior partner being another of the older attorneys of Wilmington, and a man high in the profession.

Melville Hayes was not only an eminent lawyer, for he distinguished himself in other lines, beginning his public service with his enlistment in Company K, Seventy-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, in 1862. He continued to serve with his regiment until the close of the war, when he was mustered out of the service and returned to private life. Always active as a republican, he became a leader of the local organization, and was sent by the national committee of his party in 1892 to Michigan to reconcile conditions there. An eloquent platform speaker, he threw himself into the issues of the day, and fought the silver fallacy then attracting nation-wide attention. The different newspapers of the country gave daily attention to the subject, and the ordinary citizen was assailed on every side, and the most convincing speakers were placed in the field to combat what was recognized by the saner minds as a dangerous doctrine. Subsequent events have proven the inadvisability of a "free and unlimited coinage of silver," but once that slogan was a popular one among unthinking people. While Mr. Hayes never cared for office, he did consent to act as prosecuting attorney of Clinton County, and was presiding officer of Wilmington during the days when it was still a village, and until the day of his death did not relax in his efforts to further the best interests of his home community.

Eldon L. Hayes was admitted to the bar March 17, 1899, and has always felt that the fact that his admission to his profession fell upon Saint Patrick's Day is a significant one, as he can trace back in his family history to Irish ancestry. While he has long been an attorney, he has not been in continuous practice at Wilmington, as he spent a few years in Chicago as assistant manager of the export department of Montgomery Ward's Mail Order House, but since 1908 has been a member of the Wilmington Bar Association, practicing first in association with his father, and since November 15, 1918, as senior member of Hayes & Barns.

On June 6, 1900, Eldon L. Hayes married Virginia L. Longstreth, of Warren County, Ohio, but a native of Fort Ancient, Ohio. She is a daughter of Giles D. and Florence (Hathaway) Longstreth. Both the Longstreth and Hathaway families are traced back into the very beginnings of the history of this country, Ann Hathaway being one of her ancestors. Mrs. Hayes established her membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution through her paternal line, but she is equally legible through the maternal side of the house. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes have one son, Melville D. Hayes. Since returning to Wilmington from Chicago Mr. Hayes has devoted all of his time to his practice, and the wide experience he gained in this connection is of value to him today. Like his father, he has great faith in Wilmington and the willingness to do everything within his power to add to its prestige.

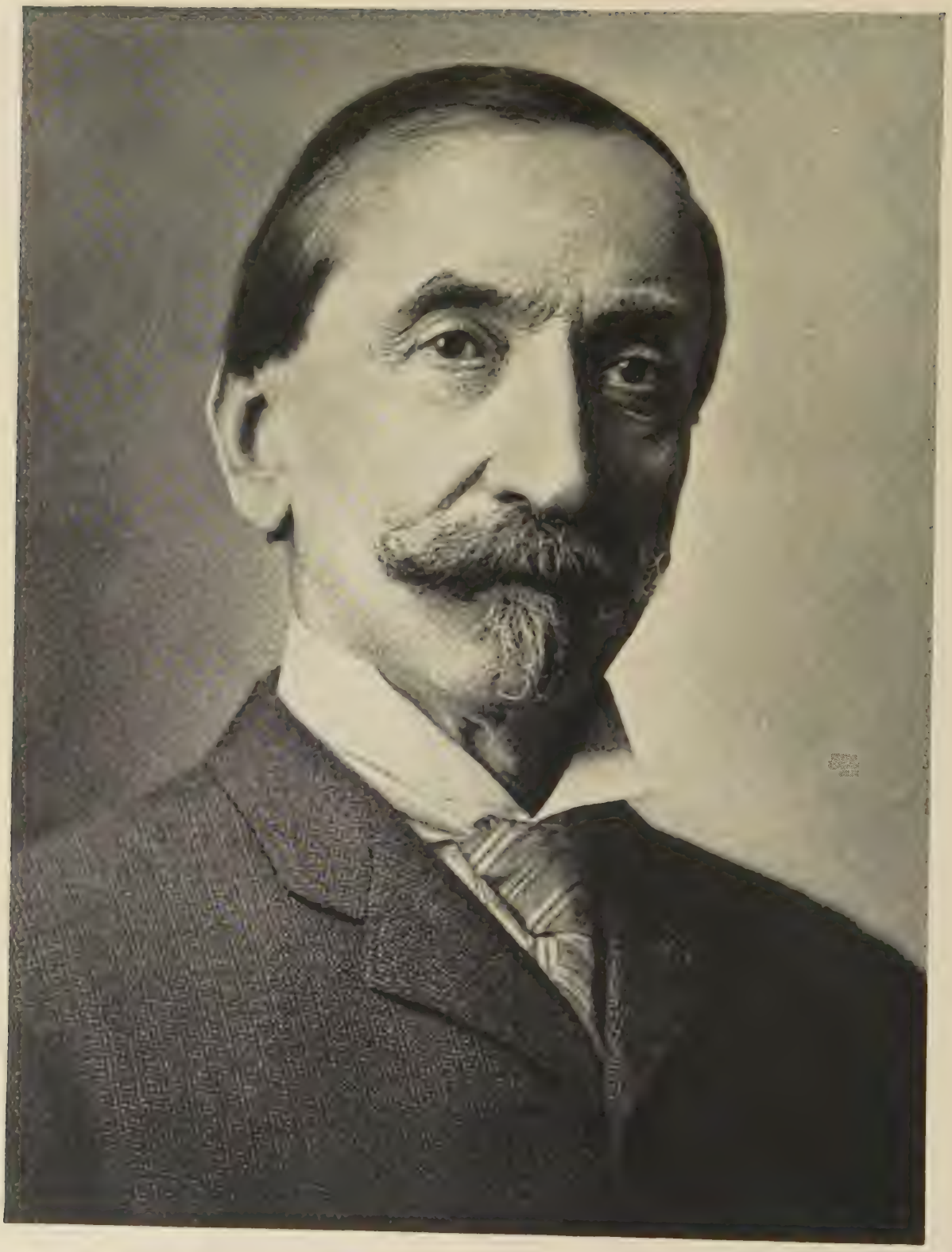
Will Maurice Hoyt, M. D. An accomplished physician and surgeon whose activities have brought him professional prominence in Highland County is Dr. Will Maurice Hoyt, a native of the county, and a highly educated and well qualified citizen as well as proficient doctor.

Doctor Hoyt was born in Highland County, August 29, 1881. His ancestry in America runs back many generations, practically to the very founding of the first colony on the bleak shores of New England. While the ancestors lived in Germany the name was spelled as "Haight." Some of them went to England and thence to America, where the spelling was changed to "Hoyt," and the American born have been usually Hoyt. The founder of the American family so far as can be ascertained was John Hoyt, who was born about 1610. He was one of the early settlers at Salisbury, Massachusetts, and the records of that community show that he was a selectman in 1681 and moderator of the town meeting in 1687. Following him the descent to Doctor Hoyt is traced briefly as follows; John Hoyt, son of the first American John Hoyt, was born about 1638, and became a tavern keeper. He married Mary Barnes, June 23, 1659. Their son, Joseph Hoyt, born July 14, 1666, lived near the Powow River, and died in 1719. His wife was Dorothy Worthen, who died October 5, 1702. Their son, John Hoyt, born July 2, 1703, and died at South Hampton, Massachusetts, in 1754, married Mary Eastman. Their son, Joseph Hoyt, born at Lions Mouth, New Hampshire, 1727, and died about 1808, married Sarah Collins. Family records show that one of his sons became a member of the New Hampshire Legislature, and was captain of a company of twenty men raised to defend the settlement when the Indians attacked and burned Royalton.

The next generation is also represented by Joseph Hoyt, who was born at Grafton, New Hampshire, October 17, 1754, and lived at Grafton until about 1800, when he moved to Canada. He married Polly Cass, a native of Grafton, New Hampshire. Their son, Joseph Hoyt, born at Grafton March 5, 1775, became a merchant and farmer in Canada, and died August 27, 1849, and is buried near Lake Memphremagog, Canada. He married Sally Stevens, who was born at Enfield, New Hampshire, June 5, 1779, and died September 1, 1872. Among their children was Nason Hoyt, who was born at Grafton, New Hampshire, December 5, 1805, spent his life as a farmer, and died at Chautauqua, New York, January 28, 1873, being buried at the Town Line Cemetery at Harmony, New York. He married, February 3, 1829, at Sandwich, New Hampshire, Sara Webster, who was born August 16, 1811, and died February 8, 1884. These were the grandparents of Doctor Hoyt of Hillsboro.

The father of the Ohio physician was William Hoyt, who was born at Magog, Province of Quebec, Canada, in 1839, and died in 1919, at the age of eighty years. He became a physician, and practiced that profession for fifty-two years. Early in the Civil war he enlisted as a private in the One Hundred and Twelfth New York Volunteer Infantry, and when mustered out he was given the brevet rank of captain. Dr. William Hoyt married Sarah Keller, who was born in Broome County, New York, August 29, 1849. She was educated in public schools and a private school at Saginaw, Michigan, where she met and married Dr. William Hoyt.

Dr. Will Maurice Hoyt was reared in Hillsboro, attending the grammar and high schools there. He was graduated from high school in 1899, and a few months later entered Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, where he completed the Bachelor of Science course and graduated in 1903, receiving the



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degree of Bachelor of Science, and the Master of Arts degree in 1909. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. From 1903 to 1905 he was commandant of the Miami Institute at Germantown, Ohio, and in 1905 entered the Indiana Medical College at Indianapolis, pursuing his work there until 1907, when he entered Hahnemann Medical College, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, graduating in 1909 with the degrees of Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Homeopathic Medicine. Doctor Hoyt served as an interne in the Alexian Brothers Hospital at Elizabeth, New Jersey, for a year, and in 1910 engaged in private practice at Muncie, Indiana. In 1912 he removed to Hillsboro, where his work has been continued with gratifying success for over a dozen years. In 1914 he did special work at Chicago under Dr. E. H. Pratt, who conducted a personal clinic in various Chicago hospitals. In 1920 he again did post-graduate work, at the Lakeside Hospital at Cleveland.

Doctor Hoyt is an officer in Highland Lodge No. 38 of the Masonic Order, is a past high priest of Hillsboro Chapter No. 40, Royal Arch Masons, is a member of Hillsboro Council No. 16, Royal and Select Masters, is a past commander of Highland Commandery No. 31, Knights Templar, and is a companion in the Ohio Council of Anointed High Priests.

He married Miss Setta Troxell, who was born at Germantown, Ohio, June 3, 1884, daughter of C. E. and Anna B. Troxell. She graduated from the Germantown High School in 1903, and attended a private school in Dayton, Ohio, during the following two years. Doctor and Mrs. Hoyt have one child, Charles William, born at Hillsboro, Ohio, June 16, 1913, now attending the Hillsboro Grammar School.

William Sherman Barker, for thirty years or more has been one of the solid business men and influential citizens of Highland County. His home is at Hillsboro, and he is the present county treasurer.

He was born in Salem Township of Highland County, January 10, 1865. His grandfather, John Barker, came to Ohio from Virginia, making the journey with a two wheeled ox cart. A blacksmith by trade, he also followed farming, and used his opportunities so thriftily that he accumulated and at one time owned 1,400 acres in Highland County. He was the father of fourteen children, and in his home he reared two of his grandchildren. Before his death he gave each of these sixteen a farm. One of his sons was James Humes Barker, who was born in Highland County, in 1821, and died September 13, 1898, at the age of seventy-seven. His life for the most part was devoted to farming, but he also for many years was a minister of the Christian Church. He was buried in the Barker Cemetery in Salem Township. His wife, Elizabeth Farris, was born in Salem Township, and is also buried in the Barker Cemetery.

William Sherman Barker was reared on the old farm, and for seven winters he attended country schools, while in the summers he worked on farms for his board. He also had some schooling under a private teacher, but most of his education came from home study by lamplight. He began farming on his own account in 1890, and his time and labors were quite fully bestowed upon his agricultural operations for thirty years. He bought his first land in 1893, and today is owner of one of the fine farms of Highland County and also much real estate in Hillsboro.

Mr. Barker in 1894 was elected a member of the Highland County School Board, serving in that position until 1900. From 1894 until 1921 he was a trustee of a local school, and it was in 1920 that he was first elected county treasurer, being reelected in 1922.

Mr. Barker is widely known in this section of Ohio as a thoroughly trained and educated musician. He has been a member of several bands and has taught vocal music. He is a member of the Christian Church, belongs to the church choir, and for thirty-two years has been superintendent of the Sunday School. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, is a past grand master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, an imperial adviser of the Modern Woodmen of America.

Mr. Barker married Miss Lulu Miller in Salem Township on September 3, 1893. She is a member of the class of 1885 of the High School of Lynchburg, Ohio. She belongs to the Christian Church choir at Princetown, Ohio.

Frank Ozro Barker, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Barker, was born in Highland County, January 1, 1895. He graduated in 1919 from the Lynchburg High School, took a commercial course at the Bliss Business College at Columbus, and is a talented musician, playing the violin and other instruments. Frank O. Barker married Marie Wardlow, who was born at Princetown and was educated in country schools. They have four children: William Kermit, born June 4, 1914; Rodger, born August 20, 1918; Pauline, born December 12, 1920; and James Harding, born June 6, 1922.

Dwight Otis Miller. Three generations of the Miller family have been identified with banking at Greenfield, and the history of banking in that community revolves largely around the Miller name. On November 30, 1859, under the name of "Caldwell and Miller's Exchange," the first bank in Greenfield was organized. During the Civil war this firm reorganized as the First National Bank, with W. W. Caldwell, president, and R. H. Miller, cashier. The charter granted this bank was number 101, being the first issued in this congressional district. Prior to this the nearest banking facilities were at Chillicothe. W. W. Caldwell and R. H. Miller later sold their interests in the First National Bank, and together with the original stockholders of the First National Bank organized the Highland County Bank in 1867 as a private bank, with W. W. Caldwell, president, R. H. Miller, cashier, and E. H. Miller, assistant cashier. One year later E. H. Miller, who was a younger brother of R. H. Miller, bought out the interests of the other stockholders, serving as president until his death. July, 1, 1922, the institution was incorporated under a state charter. The late Fay Baldwin, so well known in banking circles, was vice president for many years, and Mr. Miller's older son, Edward G. Miller, was cashier at the time of his death in 1910. Dwight O. Miller, the younger son, is now president, while a grandson, Edward Wilson Miller, is vice president. From the time of its organization the Highland County Bank has been the largest and strongest bank in Highland County.

The Miller family has been in America since prior to the Revolutionary war, and they were pioneers in Ohio. The founder of the American branch of the family was Henry Miller, a native of Prussia. He was on the staff of Frederick the Great of Prussia, and owing to a rash act in insulting a superior officer whom he knocked down, had to leave his native land and, coming to America in 1750, settled in Germantown, Philadelphia. About the time of the Revolutionary war he moved from Pennsylvania to Virginia, settling near Washington, in Rappahannock County. His wife was Susanna Sibberine or Sibly, who left Germany November 9, 1751, in the twenty-second year of her age, landing at Philadelphia. Henry Miller's will, dated November 21, 1796, was probated June 25,

1801, in Madison County, Virginia. His son, also named Henry Miller, lived in Virginia, and died June 7, 1833, in Culpeper County, Virginia, aged seventy-five years.

Aylette Miller, son of the last named Henry Miller, was born in Culpeper County, July 4, 1804, and died at South Salem, Ohio, February 26, 1859. He married Mary J. Spilman, daughter of Robert B. and Eleanor (Tut) Spilman. She was born October 26, 1806, and died October 29, 1892, at Hillsboro, Ohio. The marriage bond of Aylette Miller and Mary J. Spilman was recorded in Culpeper County, now Orange County, Virginia, March 22, 1827.

Edward Hamilton Miller, fourth child of Aylette and Mary J. Miller, was born in Highland County, Ohio, April 22, 1838, and died December 20, 1921. He was a first lieutenant in the Seventy-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry in the Civil war, and while in command of his company, the captain having resigned, he was shot down in the Second Battle of Bull Run and reported killed. He was discharged from service on account of his wounds, and on May 6, 1863, was married to Miss Emma Gore, who was born at Springfield, November 16, 1840, and died at Greenfield March 31, 1917. Her father, Joshua Gore, was born in Frederick County, Maryland, October 25, 1812, and died in Springfield, Ohio, May 21, 1892. Joshua Gore's father was killed in the War of 1812. Mr. Gore came to Springfield in early manhood, and on October 9, 1838, he married Miss Rebecca Jane Hughes, born at Springfield, December 3, 1820, and died January 10, 1895. Her grandfather was Judge Jesse Hughes, of Wilmington, Ohio. Judge Hughes was born in Berkeley County, Virginia, January 22, 1767, and died at Wilmington, August 9, 1853. He married Elizabeth Drake at Louisville, Kentucky, June 10, 1790. She was born in 1776, and died September 27, 1837. Her mother was Jemima Rose, and her father, Jesse Drake, was of English ancestry.

David Hughes, son of Judge Jesse Hughes, and father of Rebecca Jane Hughes, was born near Wilmington, Ohio, December 7, 1791, and died July 19, 1870. His wife, Emily Whitsett, whom he married at Washington Court House, Ohio, May 23, 1818, was born in Kentucky, April 30, 1801, and died August 18, 1886. Both are buried at Springfield, Ohio. Joseph Whitsett, father of Emily, died in 1819, and her mother, Mary Whitsett, in 1807.

Dwight Otis Miller, son of Edward Hamilton Miller and Emma Gore Miller, was born at Greenfield, March 3, 1871. He is a graduate of the Greenfield High School and received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from the University of Michigan in 1894. In addition to his duties as bank president Mr. Miller is a director and the treasurer of the Home Building & Loan Company, Greenfield, Ohio. He has given freely of his time to various local activities, was a member of the Board of Public Affairs for a number of years, served also on the School Board, and as officer of the Public Health League. During the war he was chairman of all Liberty Loan drives and of the War Chest Committee and Near East Relief. He is a Knight Templar, thirty-second degree Mason, member of the Syrian Temple of the Mystic Shrine, Sigma Chi fraternity, Modern Woodmen of America, Military Order of the Loyal Legion, United States of America, Ohio Society of New York, and Rotary International. Mr. Miller is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of which he is trustee, deacon, treasurer and member of the church council.

Dwight Otis Miller and Madge, youngest daughter of Dr. James Leighton Wilson, were married September 6, 1894. Their three sons, all born in Greenfield, are as follows: Edward Wilson, born October 21, 1895, graduate of Greenfield High School and Miami University, veteran of the World war, and vice president of the Highland County Bank; Dwight Hamilton, born October 23, 1905, graduate of McClain High School, and now a student in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware; Leighton Dean, born October 26, 1908, is a junior in McClain High School, Greenfield. Edward Wilson Miller and Mary Elizabeth Head, who were married August 12, 1921, have one son, John Edward, born May 27, 1922.

JOHN CHARLES LARKIN, M. D., F. A. C. S. A leading member of the medical profession of Highland County, Dr. John Charles Larkin, of Hillsboro, has been engaged in practice here for twenty-eight years, during which period he has won high standing in his calling and the confidence of a large and representative following. He is a native of Highland County, and was born June 1, 1868, being a son of Elijah Henry and Rebecca (Stafford) Larkin.

John Larkin, the great-great-great-great-grandfather of Doctor Larkin, was the immigrant of the family to America, coming from Coldback, England, and settling in Cumberland County, Maryland, where he died in 1650. His son, John Larkin II, was married in 1730, near Chester, Pennsylvania, to Esta Shelby. Among their children was Joseph Larkin, who married Ann Salkeld. Their son, Joseph Larkin II, who died at Samantha, Ohio, married Rachel Reece, who came from Pennsylvania. John Salkeld Larkin, the grandfather of Doctor Larkin, came to Ohio from Pennsylvania and died and was buried at Samantha. His wife, Sarah Yost, also came from the Keystone State. Elijah Henry Larkin was born in Highland County, Ohio, in 1838, followed the life of a farmer, and died in Highland County in 1893, being buried at Samantha. He married Rebecca Stafford, who was born in Highland County, and died at the age of thirty years, in 1871, burial being made at Duns Chapel, near Willettsville, Highland County. On the maternal side Doctor Larkin has authentic records showing that one of his ancestors was Samuel Gibson, who fought for the cause of the Colonists in 1777 during the Revolutionary war, and died at Hillsboro, at an advanced age, in 1835, after a most adventurous career. On April 12, 1791, he married Elizabeth Baird, in Bourbon County, Ohio. He served as an Indian scout under Captain Kincade, fought in the battle of King's Mountain, North Carolina, and was a friend and associate of Daniel Boone, with whom he was captured by the Indians, making their escape after running the gauntlet. In 1805 he located near Hillsboro, Ohio, and started a corn mill on a part of the land deeded him by the Government under the Virginia Military Land Grant. About this time he became a friend of Simon Kenton, another famous Ohio frontiersman and Indian fighter.

John Charles Larkin attended the public schools of Newmarket Township, and in 1884 began a course at the Hillsboro High School. In 1888 he went to the Normal University at Lebanon, and from 1888 to 1893 taught schools in Highland County, in the latter year entering the medical department of the University of Cincinnati, from which he was graduated in 1896 as valedictorian of his class. In the same year he commenced practice at Hillsboro, in association with Dr. T. H. Holmes, this partnership continuing until 1900, when Doctor Holmes moved to the State of Washington, Doctor Larkin continuing alone. In 1903 Doctor Larkin took a post-graduate course at the New York Post-graduate School; in 1906 took a special course in surgery under Dr. Frank H. Martin at the Post-graduate Medical School of Chicago; in 1913 went to the Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore, Maryland; in 1918 returned to the New York Post-graduate

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School; and in 1921 took a special course in internal medicine at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, this being the medical department of Harvard University, Dr. Richard C. Cabot, instructor. In 1914 Doctor Larkin received the degree of Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

Doctor Larkin holds membership in the American Medical Association, the Ohio State Medical Society and the Highland County Medical Society, as well as the American Society for the Advancement of Science. During the World war he was a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and was first sent to Fort Benjamin Harrison. Later he was detailed for service in the aviation section at Wilbur Wright Field, Dayton, and Ellington Field, Houston, Texas. Doctor Larkin is a Knight Templar, thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a past master of Hillsboro Lodge; past exalted ruler and a charter member of the local Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and a charter member of the Hillsboro Business Men's Association.

On July 19, 1904, Doctor Larkin married at Hillsboro Miss Daisy Spargur, who was born June 2, 1875, and educated at the local high school and at Miss Nurse's School, Cincinnati. Her father, John D. Spargur, for fifty years a business man of Hillsboro, died in 1917, at the age of seventy-seven years. Doctor and Mrs. Larkin are the parents of three children: John Charles, Jr., born July 2, 1906, at Hillsboro, and now attending Lake Forest Academy, Chicago, in preparation for a collegiate course, has the distinction of having built, at the age of thirteen years, the first audible radio set in Highland County; Brooks Spargur, born April 13, 1908, at Hillsboro, educated in the common schools, and a natural born mechanic; and Richard Rennick, born at Hillsboro, September 2, 1909, educated in the common schools, and likewise keen on the matter of mechanics.

ALFRED P. MCFADDEN is prominently identified with business and civic interests in his native city of Cadiz, the county seat of Harrison County, where he has held since the year 1916 the office of secretary of the Cadiz Building & Loan Company. He has done much to advance its effective and valuable service to the community, the company having been a medium through which the civic and material interests of Cadiz have been greatly conserved.

Mr. McFadden was born at Cadiz on the 29th of January, 1890, and is a son of George Dunlap McFadden and Ida (Clark) McFadden, there being one other child in the family, Ephraim, who married Abbie Cooke, their one child being a son, Robert. George D. McFadden was one of the leading merchants of Cadiz, where he was engaged in the hardware business at the time of his death, January 17, 1922. He was a loyal and liberal citizen, and was called upon to serve in various local offices of public trust, including membership in the City Council. He was an earnest member of the Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow, who continues active in the work of the First Presbyterian Church of Cadiz. Mr. McFadden was of sterling Irish ancestry on both the paternal and maternal sides, he having been a son of John and Esther (Clifford) McFadden, and his mother having been born in Ireland. His widow is a daughter of Ephraim and Isabella Clark, who came to Ohio from the State of Pennsylvania.

After his graduation from the Cadiz High School, in 1908, Alfred P. McFadden entered the University of Ohio, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1913 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter he was for a time associated with the activities of his father's hardware establishment, and he next held for some time the position of bookkeeper in the First National Bank. In 1916 he became the secretary of the Cadiz Building and Loan Company, and he has continuously given his attention to his executive duties in this connection, save for the period of his military service at the time of the World war. He entered service in the United States Army May 26, 1918, and he was in training six months at Camp Gordon, where he was assigned to Company G, Third Regiment of the Replacement Infantry. The war came to its close before there was requisition for the active overseas service of his command, and he received his honorable discharge November 29, 1918. Mr. McFadden is affiliated at the present time with the local Blue Lodge and Chapter of York Rite Masonry, and he and his wife hold membership in the First Presbyterian Church.

October 29, 1919, recorded the marriage of Mr. McFadden and Miss Helen Brokaw, daughter of Lovejoy and Diadama (Parks) Brokaw, who are well known residents of Cadiz, where Mr. Brokaw is engaged in business as a painter and decorator.

JOHN E. CARLETON, present probate judge of Meigs County, and a newspaper publisher and editor, has been a prominent figure in the life and affairs of that section of Ohio for a number of years and represents a family of prominence as well as of pioneer connections with Meigs County.

His grandfather, John Carleton, came from Ireland, settling at Kerrs Run in Meigs County and buying land in Chester and Salisbury townships at a dollar an acre. In the locality known as Carleton Hollow he built a water mill, manufacturing lumber with one of the old-fashioned "up and down" saws.

William Carleton, father of Judge Carleton, was born in Ohio, in 1836, and in later years he was one of the few who had personal recollection of incidents in the famous "log cabin and hard cider" campaigns of 1840. As a young man he moved to Syracuse, and acquired a farm bordering the Ohio River above that town. He and his brothers John and Isaac were also associated in the sawmill and lumber business. He was a democrat, a member of the board of trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Syracuse, and a citizen of much influence generally. He died in 1912. His wife, Sarah Roush, a native of Meigs County, died in 1910, when about seventy years of age. They had a family of three children: Julia and John E., both unmarried and living at the old homestead farm; while Alma is the wife of A. J. Edwards, a farmer at Syracuse.

John E. Carleton, who was born at Syracuse, July 8, 1871, acquired much of his early education in Carleton College at Syracuse. His grandfather's brother, Isaac Carleton, also a native of Ireland, donated ten acres as a building site and cash for the founding of this school, which was named in his honor. He was always deeply interested in educational progress. Judge Carleton taught school for three years at a salary of thirty dollars a month. During vacations he worked on his father's farm, and throughout his mature career has been interested in farming. In 1900 he became a reporter and all around man on S. F. Smith's paper, the Leader, and newspaper work has constituted most of his experience since then. Some years ago he purchased the Democrat from Judge C. E. Peoples. This is the only democratic paper in Meigs County, and the only paper of democratic tendencies to exist for any length of time and reach a standing as one of the best papers in the county.

Judge Carleton was first elected probate judge in 1916 and reelected in 1920. He is now the only

democrat holding office in the courthouse at Pomeroy. Meigs County normally is republican by a majority of nearly three thousand. Judge Carleton has long been interested in politics, and has been a delegate to county, district and state conventions of his party. He is a Presbyterian, is a Knight Templar Mason, has been master of the local lodge of Masons for a number of terms and is a charter member of the Eastern Star. He is also a past grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and a member of the Knights of Pythias and Junior Order United American Mechanics.

CHARLES DEMOTT WRIGHT, a doctor of dental surgery, who has been successfully established in the profession at Hillsboro for the past twenty years, is not a native Ohioan himself, but he represents a number of families who came into the state in earliest pioneer days and took an effective and prominent part in its early history.

Doctor Wright is in the seventh generation of descent from John Wright, who was born in Ireland about 1703, and on account of political disputes in that country he and his wife went to England, came to the United States with James Oglethorpe, the founder of Georgia, and about 1735 moved north to Pennsylvania, where they embraced the Quaker faith. Samuel Wright, of the second generation, was born in 1736, and made his permanent home in a picturesque region known as Apple Pie Ridge, in what is now the extreme eastern end of West Virginia. He married a Virginia girl. Their son, Edward Wright, who was born in 1757, was a surveyor, and in 1784 established a home in Eastern Tennessee, but abandoned this land and came north to the wilderness, enduring great hardships and dangers, finally reaching Ohio in May, 1801. While near Bainbridge in Ross County he died. Edward Wright married in 1780 Hannah Dillon, whose father also came from Ireland.

William Wright, of the fourth generation, was born in Tennessee, September 24, 1782, and had just come to early manhood when the family moved to Ohio. In the spring of 1802 he settled in what is now Fairfield Township, Highland County, being one of the earliest pioneers of that region. William Wright married Rachael Stafford, whose father, William Stafford, came to Ohio in 1805 from North Carolina.

John Wright, who was born March 17, 1818, married Anne Thornburgh, a representative of a family that took a part in the wars under William, Prince of Orange, and on coming to America settled at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and later at Guilford Courthouse, North Carolina, where Anne Thornburgh's grandfather, Joseph, was living when the War of the Revolution came on, and distinguished himself in the battle of King's Mountain. The Thornburghs came to Ohio in 1822. John Wright and Anne Thornburgh were the grandparents of Doctor Wright of Hillsboro.

Levi Samuel Wright was born November 11, 1847, and in 1876 moved to Hillsboro, where he studied law and was admitted to the bar. In 1879 he left Ohio and moving to Carthage, Missouri, practiced law there until 1888, and then went to Ellsworth, Kansas, where he practiced law and served three successive terms as prosecuting attorney of Ellsworthy County. In 1897 he returned to Ohio and established his home on a farm near Highland, in Highland County. Levi S. Wright married in 1872 Arrabelle Woodmansee, daughter of David and Nancy (Shockley) Woodmansee. Her Puritan ancestors came over in 1620, and Robert Woodmansee was the first school master in the City of Boston. Members of the family took an active part in the Revolution, and one branch of them came to Ohio in 1806, settling in Highland County.

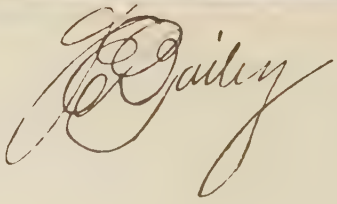
Charles DeMott Wright, whose ancestry has thus been traced briefly, was born at Carthage, Missouri, March 12, 1880. He began his education in public schools there, and after the age of eight continued his school work at Ellsworth, Kansas. In 1895, when fifteen years of age, he accompanied Cam Clauson to the northeastern part of Colorado, where he worked on Clauson's ranch, punching cattle at eight dollars a month. In October of the same year he assisted Clauson in driving a herd of 1,500 cattle 600 miles back to the home ranch in Kansas. Doctor Wright's boyhood's enthusiasm was largely in the line of music. He became a noted cornet player, and in 1896 was a cornet soloist with the United States Army Second Regimental Band.

He accompanied the family on their return to Ohio, and graduated in 1898 from the New Vienna High School. Then for some time he taught in that high school, following which he entered Ohio State University at Columbus. He studied for his profession in the Ohio College of Dental Surgery at Cincinnati, graduating with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1905. While there he was a Psi Omega. In a class of ninety-seven he was awarded a medal for the best attainments in general pathology and honorable mention in chemistry and anatomy. Doctor Wright is a thoroughly well educated dental surgeon, and has accepted many opportunities to keep in touch with the advancing progress in his field. In 1919 he did post-graduate work in dental surgery at the Chicago Polyclinic School of Dental Surgery. He established his office at Hillsboro in July, 1905, and has continued the work of his profession there with gratifying success. He is a member of the Ohio Dental Society and the American Dental Association.

Doctor Wright is a past master of Highland Lodge No. 38 of the Masonic Order, past high priest of Hillsboro Chapter No. 40, Royal Arch Masons, past master of Hillsboro Council No. 16, past commander of the Highland Commandery No. 31, Knights Templar, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. He is also past exalted ruler of the Elks, member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Modern Woodmen of America, and is a charter member of the Local Business Men's Association. He is a republican, and is a member of the Vestry of Saint Marys Episcopal Church.

Doctor Wright married, February 8, 1910, Miss Meta Albertina Schweinsberger at Hillsboro, where she was educated in the public schools, graduating from high school in 1900. She specialized in English, and in 1905 graduated from the Cincinnati College of Music. Doctor and Mrs. Wright have two children: Charles Henry, born at Hillsboro, October 15, 1912, now in the seventh grade of the public schools; and Morrow, who was born June 7, 1922.

Mrs. Wright is a daughter of Henry John and Fredericka (Urich) Schweinsberger. Her father was born in Germany, in 1852, son of a government inspector there, coming to the United States in 1869. Henry J. Schweinsberger established his home at Hillsboro in 1872 and engaged in business. Four years later he married Fredericka Urich, who was born at Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1849, her father having come to the United States in 1847. Her grandfather was a musician and scholar of note, being the regular organist at the largest cathedral in Leipsig and frequently giving recitals to the nobility in the High Court in Germany. He was awarded a prize of $1,000 by Prince Karl for the best essay on music.



Isaac F. Ward, prominent in the insurance business in Southern Ohio, has built up an important agency in life insurance at Ripley, Brown County. In early life he was a school teacher.

Mr. Ward was born in Lawrence County, Ohio, September 21, 1872, son of Isaac and Sarah (Chapman) Ward. His father, now deceased, was a sawmill owner and operator. Mrs. Sarah (Chapman) Ward was born in 1848, and now resides at Venice, California. She has made four trips across the country to California. The late Isaac Ward was a Union soldier in the Civil war.

Isaac F. Ward grew up in a time and community when there were no local advantages in schools beyond the common schools, and he secured the equivalent of a high school education largely through private study. For fifteen years he taught school in Gallia County. On January 1, 1906, he began his long service with the Western, Southern Life Insurance Company, as agent at Pomeroy, Ohio. He remained there until about 1914, then spent six months as representative of the company at Parkersburg, West Virginia, and the winter of 1914-15 he spent in Texas. Since 1915 he has been the representative of this company at Ripley, Ohio.

In addition to his private business Mr. Ward has taken a keen interest in local affairs. He is a republican, but was elected on the independent ticket to the office of mayor of Ripley, serving his first term in 1922-24, and was reelected for a second term. He is also a member of the Ripley Board of Education, and is active in the Methodist Episcopal Church, being president of its Men's Club.

Mr. Ward has been happily married for many years, and he and his wife have the second largest family of children perhaps in Brown County, twelve in number. He married at Parkersburg, West Virginia, December 23, 1893, Miss Cora Rayburn, daughter of Robert and Matilda (Brumfield) Rayburn. Her mother is living, and her father, deceased, was an official with the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway. The oldest of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Ward is Wendell W., who is now editor of the Beaumont Times and Journal at Beaumont, Texas. He married Miss Luella Barr at Mount Carmel, Illinois, and they have a son, Wendell Curtis. Luella Barr before her marriage also had an extensive experience in the newspaper business. The second son, McKinley, assistant postmaster of Georgetown, Ohio, married Miss Helen Burris, of Georgetown, and has a son, Richard. Isaac F., Jr., is owner and manager of the job printing business at Ripley. These three sons all enlisted for service in the World war and all went overseas. Wendell was the only man in the company selected to attend the Officers' Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, was commissioned a first lieutenant and for a time was a rifle instructor at Les Mans, France. The second son took part in the great drive that broke the Hindenburg line. The youngest of the three was in the company using the first American made field guns in France.

The other children of Mr. and Mrs. Ward are: Cora, who is the wife of Leon Massie, of Augusta, Kentucky, their three children being William, Robert and Maxine. Evangeline, a teacher in the public school; Lillian, who is office manager for her father; Martin, a student in the Ripley High School, and who spent the summer of 1924 with the Reserve Officers' Military Training Camp at Camp Knox, Kentucky; and the five younger children are named: Robert, Arthur, Annabell, David and John J.

John E. Bailey. One of the interesting citizens of Athens County, a man who has achieved success by triumphing over circumstances and adverse conditions, is John E. Bailey, banker and hotel proprietor. For a number of years his home was at Coolville in Athens County and now at the City of Athens. His active business duties are as manager of the Berry Hotel at Athens, and as vice president of the Coolville National Bank. He assisted in the organization of the Bank of Coolville in March, 1906, at that time being superintendent of the schools of Coolville village and Troy Township, and after seven weeks as assistant cashier became cashier, holding that office until 1916, and since then vice president.

Mr. Bailey was born at Sumner in Meigs County, Ohio, September 17, 1874, son of Moses and Sarah (Ridgley) Bailey. His father spent most of his life as a farmer. His mother died in 1889, aged forty. John E. Bailey had only a few terms at school and as a boy went to Coolville, where he found employment. At the age of fourteen his services were gaining him a salary of $4 a month. Even in those years he was thrifty and always had a small balance of funds above his immediate needs. In that period of his life, he had singular horror of poverty and the possibility of becoming a public charge. In line with this characteristic he saved $25 from his earnings and put it out to interest so that it might be available for various purposes in case of his death. When he finally collected the principal the interest exceeded the original sum. As he grew older, he kept $200 as the standard of his capital. In these years of work and saving, he managed to attend school and was graduated from the Coolville High School in 1896. For eight years he taught school and while teaching and engaged in other work, he put in three and a half years of study at the Ohio University at Athens. For a time he was employed by W. M. Walden & Company, wholesale produce merchants at Pomeroy. As noted above, while connected with the schools of Coolville, he became interested in the National Bank and when he left the office of cashier in 1916 and took the post of vice president, he became identified with the organization of a national bank at Middleport in Meigs County. In November, 1920, he purchased with S. S. Donford, a controlling interest in the First National Bank of Glouster, and took the office of cashier, holding that position until November, 1923, when he resigned to take the active management of the Berry Hotel Company. He had removed his home to Athens in July, 1921. Mr. Bailey organized the Berry Hotel Corporation, and was one of its first directors.

He married June 19, 1902, Miss Clara Ashley Ruth, daughter of C. V. and Alice (Parke) Ruth of Hockingsport, Ohio. Into their home have been born six daughters and one son. The daughters are Elizabeth Ruth, Eleanor Ashley, Sarah Alice, Clara Belle, Rachel Louise and Betsey Mills. Elizabeth Ruth is a student of the Ohio University. The only son is John E., Jr. Mrs. Bailey is a member of the Methodist Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Athens Kiwanis Club and the Country Club. While at Coolville he served as a member of the school board for several years and has also been a member of the County Board of Education. Mr. Bailey is a republican, but he voted for Theodore Roosevelt as a presidential candidate on the progressive ticket. In his business life, he has always endeavored to put into practice one of Roosevelts' slogans concerning the square deal to all.

Hugh Elbert Dening has been a school man all his mature years of experience, and his service in that profession has brought him a generous esteem and a fine appreciation in his native County of Adams. He is now head of the schools at Manchester, and the greater part of his teaching and school administration has been in that community.

Mr. Dening was born at Manchester, September 15, 1873, son of Albert and Amanda Jane (Palmer) Dening, both of Manchester. The brief record of Mr. Dening's association with schools and school work begins with his student days in the common schools, 1879-1887, student in high school from 1887 to 1891, and his teaching career began at the age of eighteen, soon after graduating from high school. He taught in Spriggs Township from 1891 to 1895; was assistant principal at Manchester from 1895 to 1899; was principal of the Manchester High School from 1899 to 1903; superintendent of the West Union Schools, 1903-05; superintendent of Manchester Schools, 1905-14; superintendent of instruction for Adams County from 1914 to 1917; superintendent of the public schools at Peebles, Ohio, from 1917 to 1920; and since 1920 has been superintendent of the Manchester schools, and for the past nine years has also performed the duties of county school examiner.

Mr. Dening in the meantime was supplementing his own educational advantages, and for several years was a student in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he took the Bachelor of Science degree in 1900 and the Master of Science degree in 1903.

The Manchester High School graduated its first class in 1875. At that time there was one teacher and some twenty-odd students. At the present time the high school has a class of seven teachers, and in 1923-24, an enrollment of 135 students. It was put on the list of first grade high schools in Ohio in June, 1907. The Board of Directors of the Manchester schools consists of: J. E. McNeil, president; J. S. Craycraft, vice president; Edward Cochran, clerk; Gordon D. Lovett and Harry C. Brown, directors.

Mr. Dening is a republican in politics. He is a past master of his lodge and past high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter in Masonry and past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias. He is an elder in the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Dening married at Manchester, July 26, 1900, Miss Nannie Kimball, daughter of Walter and Linnie (Wilson) Kimball. Mrs. Dening is likewise a graduate of the Manchester High School. They have a family of six children, all of whom have shown much initiative and a willingness and an ambition to help themselves and make the most of their opportunities and talents. These children are: Walter McIntyre Dening, a student in the Ohio University at Athens, who during the summer of 1924 was with the Chase entertainers on the Lyceum platform; Dorothy, an accountant with the McNeil Department Store at Manchester; Ralph Palmer, a student in the Ohio University at Athens; Eleanor, who graduated from the Manchester High School in 1924; Ruth and Virginia.

Otis White is president of the Signal Publishing Company, publishers of the Manchester Signal in Adams County. This newspaper was founded about 1881 by Jesse Perry, now a resident of Cincinnati. It was taken over by the Signal Publishing Company in November, 1918. Mr. Otis White is president; Mrs. Otis White is vice president, Miss Ida Rubenaker is secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Margaret White and Mr. Davis Collings are directors of the company. The Signal has a circulation of 2,650, and the paper is distributed all over Adams County, a portion of Brown County, and also in the adjacent territory of Kentucky.

Otis White was born in Brown County, Ohio, November 17, 1887, son of George and Margaret (Reed) White. His mother is living. His father, now deceased, was a carpenter by trade. Otis White attended public schools in his native county, and at the age of fourteen began learning the printing trade at Aberdeen, Ohio. He is an old and experienced journalist. He has spent the greater part of his life at Georgetown, Ohio, from which point he has attended to his duties as a newspaper publisher at Manchester. He owns the controlling interest in this newspaper.

Mr. White is an independent in politics, and a member of the Masonic Order. He married at Aberdeen, Ohio, December 21, 1912, Miss Estella Sutton, daughter of Monroe and Francis (McKinley) Sutton. Her parents are deceased. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. White are Anna Margaret, Evelyn, Francis and Jack.

Davis Collings, a director of the Signal Publishing Company at Manchester, has been for many years a well known and influential figure in the citizenship of Adams County.

He was born in that county, April 3, 1861, son of George and Harriet (Conner) Collings. From 1887 to 1896 he was employed in the secretary of state's office at Columbus, and from 1896 to 1900 was associated with the Columbus Dispatch. In his later years he has given much of his time to his duties as reporter for the Signal, but he also owns and operates a large farm of 175 acres in Adams County. He is a justice of the peace, and a strong republican in politics. While in the secretary of state's office at Columbus Mr. Collings came to know very well the distinguished Henry Howe, author of the most authoritative work on Ohio history. Mr. Howe used the press of Mr. Collings to prepare the 1888 edition of his history.

Frank A. Shiveley was born and reared in Adams County, for many years has been a member of the West Union bar, and enjoys a practice involving most of the important litigations in the courts of the county.

Mr. Shiveley was born in Jefferson Township, Adams County, October 19, 1879, son of John Wesley and Mary J. (Campbell) Shiveley. His parents are both deceased, his father having given his active lifetime to farming. Frank A. Shiveley grew up on a farm, attended rural schools, and completed his professional education in Ohio Northern University, where he graduated from the College of Law in 1906. During 1906-07 he was located at New Philadelphia, but since 1907 has been engaged in a general practice at West Union.

He served as prosecuting attorney of Adams County from 1911 to 1915. The only important interruption to his practice came in 1917, when he entered the Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, received his commission as second lieutenant, and was promoted to first lieutenant. Until the end of the war he was on duty at Camp Sherman, Ohio, as camp trial judge adjutant. He is a member of the American Legion.

Mr. Shiveley is a democrat, is a member of the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Redmen and Modern Woodmen of America. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist Church.

On December 10, 1915, he married Miss Carryl McCreight, of Mount Orab, Ohio, daughter of Jesse E. and Ida (Brooks) McCreight. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. Shiveley are Frank Glendon, Lawrence McCreight, John W. and Ruth.

Will Havens. One of the old and influential newspapers in Southern Ohio is the People's Defender, of West Union. It was founded January 16, 1866, by Joseph W. Eylar, who in 1890 sold to Edward A. Crawford. In 1916 the Defender Pub-

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lishing Company was organized to take over the property from Crawford, the officials of the company being Judge Will P. Stevenson, president; Frank McKenzie, vice president; W. A. Eylar, secretary; and Will Havens, treasurer of the company and editor and manager of the Defender. This is a weekly paper, published on Thursday, is the official county paper, democratic in politics. It has a circulation of 3,950, published in a town of only about 1,000 people, and in this respect has one of the largest circulations enjoyed by any country town weekly paper in the United States.

Will Havens, its editor has been in the newspaper business thirty-five years. He was born in Mason County, Kentucky, December 1, 1861, son of William J. and Leona M. (Evans) Havens. His father was an old steamboat engineer on the Ohio River.

He married at West Union, in 1908, Miss Grace La Porte, daughter of Isaac J. and Esther Ann (Montgomery) La Porte. Mr. and Mrs. Havens have one son, Charles William, born in 1910, a student in the West Union High School.

Samuel J. Ellison, M. D. In the twenty years since he graduated from medical college Doctor Ellison, now of West Union, has had an experience much out of the ordinary for a professional man. For a time he was in the far West, was an enlisted soldier at the time of the Spanish-American war, and was a medical officer in the World war, both in home camps and overseas.

Doctor Ellison was born in Adams County, Ohio, November 23, 1871, son of William Jasper and Mary Jane (Beaty) Ellison, both now deceased. The Ellisons were among the first settlers at old Fort Manchester, Ohio, locating there about 1790. Doctor Ellison's mother was descended from a family that came from Maryland and Virginia. William J. Ellison was a teacher and farmer by occupation, and moved to Adams County when a boy with his father and family.

Dr. Samuel J. Ellison attended public schools in Adams County, taught in public schools for eight years, and graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree from the National Normal University at Lebanon, and in his early manhood followed various occupations. He was a soldier with the First Ohio Cavalry during the Spanish-American war period. Doctor Ellison graduated in 1904 from Starling Medical College, now the Medical Department of Ohio State University at Columbus. During the next seven years, he was engaged in practice at Harveysburg in Warren County.

In 1911-12, Doctor Ellison was out West to South Dakota, taking up a claim of 160 acres on the Cheyenne River, Standing Rock Indian Reservation. On returning to Ohio in 1912 he engaged in the general practice of medicine and surgery at West Union until September 10, 1917. Having been commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps, he was called to active duty on September 10, 1917, and sent to Fort Benjamin Harrison, and subsequently was on duty at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia; Camp Dix, New Jersey; Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and on July 10, 1918, started overseas with the Sixteenth Engineers. Overseas he was on duty with the First Army as a member of Surgical Team 5-3-8, and participated in the battles of St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne. After his return home he was discharged from Camp Sherman July 29, 1919, and still has a commission with the rank of captain in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army.

Doctor Ellison in addition to his work in private practice is serving as county health commissioner of Adams County. He is a member of the County and Ohio State Medical societies, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association. He is a republican, a Knights Templar Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythias, the American Legion and the Baptist Church.

He married at West Union, December 26, 1899, Miss Myrtle Wilson, daughter of Robert and Nancy (Cross) Wilson, her father having been a farmer in the vicinity of West Union until his death. Her mother is still living. The three children of Doctor and Mrs. Ellison are: Ethel Geneva, Robert Beaty and Mary Ellen. Ethel graduated in 1923 with the Bachelor of Education degree from Denison University, in which the son Robert is a sophomore, and Mary Ellen is a sophomore in high school.

Elijah Cutright, Jr., judge of the Probate Court for Ross County, has been a member of the Chillicothe bar for thirty years, and has gained prominence in a section of Ohio where the Cutright name has been known since territorial times.

His great-grandfather, John Cutright, was a native of Virginia, of Scotch ancestry, and in 1796 joined the General Massie party to settle in the wilderness of the Northwest Territory in Ross County. He cleared up a farm in Springfield, Township, where he lived until his death in 1830. His son, James Cutright, grandfather of Judge Cutright, was one of the first white children born in Ross County. His birth occurred on February 26, 1798, in Scioto Township. He was reared during the frontier days in Ohio, and married Sabre A. Neff, who was born in Virginia in 1800, and was brought by her parents, Leonard and Lydia Neff, to Ohio in 1809. In 1838 James Cutright moved to part of the Neff farm, and was sucessfully engaged in his farming and other business there until his death on June 16, 1870. He left a large estate of farm land, and was one of the influential men of the county, serving as county commissioner.

Elijah Cutright, Sr., was born in Springfield Township, Ross County, July 25, 1823, was educated in the district schools, and after the death of his father inherited the old homestead. He died at the venerable age of eighty-six, in 1909. He served as a trustee of his township, was a member of the One Hundred and Forty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry in the Civil war, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Elizabeth Barclay, who was born in Ross County, November 14, 1838, and is now eighty-five years of age. Her father, James Barclay, was born in Ireland, in 1811, and was an early settler in Ross County. He married Mary Pontious, who was born in Ross County, in 1819, of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. Elijah Cutright, Sr., and wife were the parents of the following children: John F.; Elijah, Jr.; Mary E., who became the wife of E. E. Hough; Florence, who married John Zuber; Grant; Emma, who married Henry Rose; and Douglas.

Judge Elijah Cutright, Jr., was born in the old Cutright community in Springfield Township of Ross County, September 12, 1865. He was educated in the district schools, and from boyhood showed an admirable degree of self reliance and independence in achieving his own destiny. He attended the district schools, and as a young man entered the National Normal University at Lebanon, where he received a diploma. For six years he taught in district schools of his home county, and at the same time studied law, reading under W. Y. Lawrence. He was admitted to the bar in March, 1893, and soon afterward engaged in private practice at Chillicothe. For twenty-two years in addition to his private practice he served as referee in bankruptcy for Ross County. In the fall of 1920 he was elected judge of probate, and has rendered a very careful and conscientious

administration of the duties of this office. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, the Elks and the Modern Woodmen of America, and is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

February 7, 1894, at Chillicothe, Judge Cutright married Miss Minnie Cutright, adopted daughter of his uncle, Nelson Cutright. Judge and Mrs. Cutright have three sons, Howard Elijah, James Frances and Robert E. Howard was for fourteen months in the Aviation Corps, but did not get overseas, though he was in readiness when the armistice was signed. He was an observer and was at Camp Grant, Memphis, Tennessee, and St. Paul.

CHARLES A. LINN has the distinction of being the oldest practicing attorney at the Brown County bar. The service he has rendered as a professional man and public official covers a period of over fifty years.

Mr. Linn was born at Otterberg, Rhenish Bavaria, Germany, August 31, 1848, son of Charles A. and Charlotte Spindler Linn. The family came to America in 1849, and after two years spent at New York City located at Ripley, Ohio, in 1851. His father was for many years a dealer in pork and tobacco.

Charles A Linn, the attorney, was one and one-half years old when he became a resident of Ripley, and as he grew up there he attended private schools. He then entered the Cincinnati Law School, was graduated in 1869 and continuously since that date has been engaged in the practice of law at Cincinnati and Ripley. He served as prosecuting attorney of Brown County from 1870 to 1874. Mr. Linn is a staunch democrat, and in those early days he rode over the county on horseback electioneering for votes. Until recent years he was an active member of the Masonic Order, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. He is a member of the German Lutheran Church. Mr. Linn married at Ripley Miss Louise Weiand, daughter of Jacob and Salomine (Kettering) Weiand. They have a family of one daughter and two sons. The daughter, Alice, now teaching in the Lincoln School at Hamilton, Ohio, is the widow of Lee A. Edwards, former mayor of Ripley, and she has a daughter, Alice Lee, aged fifteen. The son Allen has become prominent in business affairs, being a silk manufacturer and merchant at Patterson, New Jersey, and New York City. He is married and has three children, named Kenneth, Elisabeth and Helen. The other son, Robert Linn, is the leading life insurance broker at Wheeling, West Virginia, and his family consists of four sons, Robert, Jr., Charles A., Eugene and Francis X.

HON. CONRAD REBMAN, JR., who for two terms has been a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, is one of the prominent men in labor circles in Southern Ohio and has attained state wide recognition through his activity in behalf of salutary labor measures in the General Assembly. Mr. Rebman is general manager and secretary-treasurer of the American Ice and Storage Company of Cincinnati.

He was born in Cincinnati, April 14, 1889, and is one of the young business men to attain prominence in his home city. His parents were Conrad and Theresa (Schneider) Rebman, and he was only four days old when his mother died. His father came from Wurttemberg, Germany, and located in Cincinnati in 1882. Conrad Rebman, Jr., attended public schools in his native city, the Woodward High School, and is a graduate of the Waters Business College. Since leaving school his talents and time have been identified with one line of business. He began with the Heran Court Company as an analyst, and continued with it when the name was changed to the American Ice and Storage Company, of which he is now general manager.

While for a number of years he was a labor leader, he has always promoted the cause through leadership and affiliations with the republican party. He was elected in 1921 to the Eighty-fourth General Assembly, and in the following session sponsored a number of bills, including that to compel railroads to build car sheds to protect workmen in bad weather. He served on the labor, liquor traffic and temperance and county affairs committees. In 1923 he was re-elected to the Eighty-fifth General Assembly, and in that body earned still more favorable distinction, being known as the champion of labor and chairman of the labor committees. Other committees on which he served were the liquor traffic and temperance and military affairs. Largely through his influence was passed the bill amending the workmen's compensation act, raising the weekly indemnity from $15 to $18.75, and the amount on death awards from $5,000 to $6,500. He also secured the passage of the bill submitting a constitutional amendment to a vote of the people for changing the bases of insurance from six to three and denying the right of workmen to sue employers for damages in the courts, this amendment being adopted by over 20,000 majority. He was author of the bill to prevent workmen from assigning away 50 per cent of their wages, and worked for the passage of a measure, which failed, to investigate the paint industry with a view to eliminating the hazards and dangers of employment therein. Mr. Rebman as a candidate for the third time received the endorsement of the republican organization in Hamilton County and the labor counsel of Cincinnati.

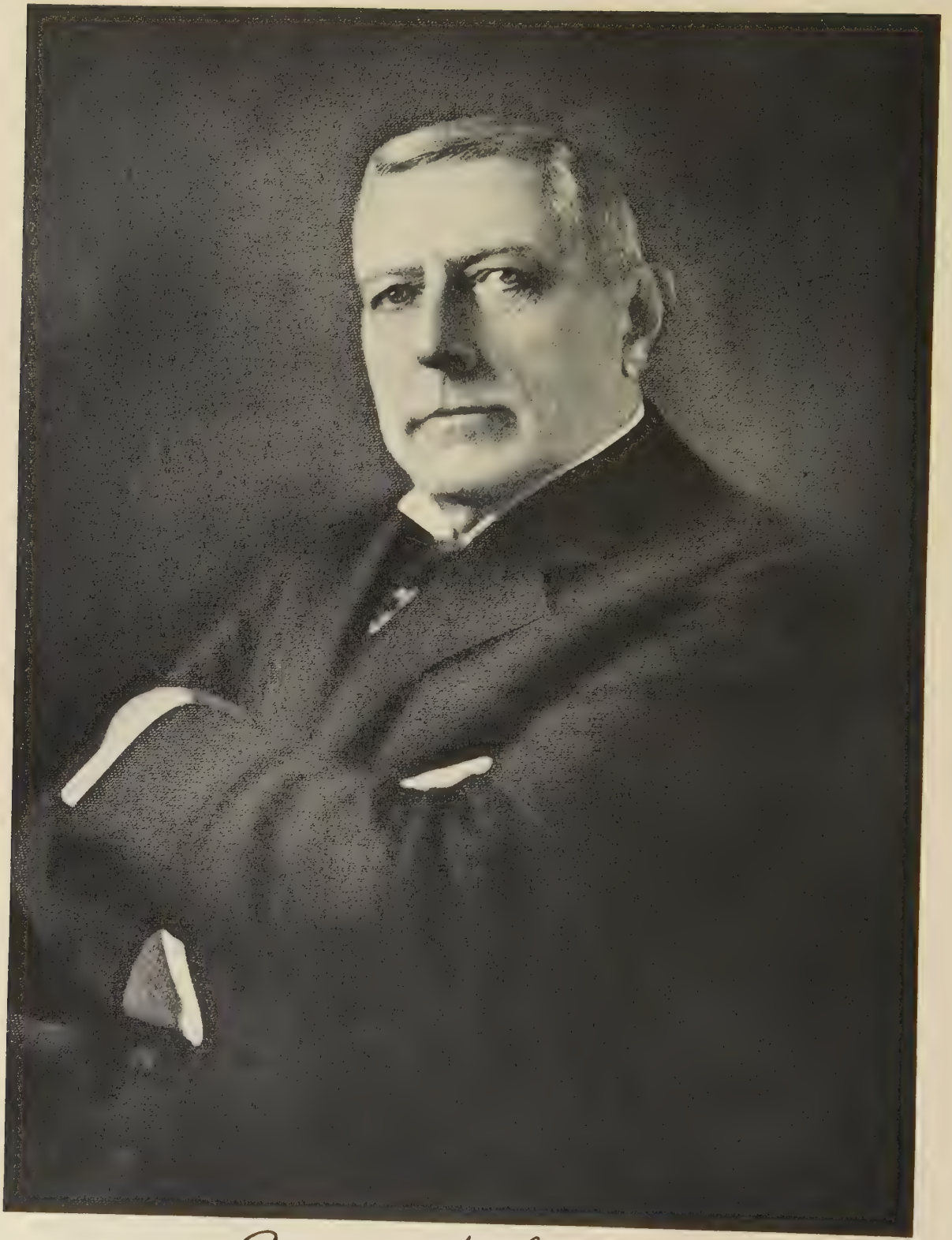
He is a member of the Blaine Republican and the North Cincinnati Republican Club, the Eleventh and Twelfth Wards' Republican clubs, is an officer in the International Brewery Workers of America, is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan, and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Cincinnati Labor Council and the Evangelical Church.

On November 28, 1911, he married Miss Mayme Karg, of Cincinnati, daughter of Nicholas and Charlotte (Conrad) Karg, who live in that city. Mrs. Rebman was educated in the grammar and high schools of Cincinnati, is a member of the Eastern Star, the Evangelical Church, and is active socially. Three children were born to their marriage: Clifford Frederick, who died in 1915, at the age of two years; Conrad Elmer, born in 1914, and Dorothy May, born in 1917.

HON. GUY W. MALLON is a distinguished individual of a distinguished family in Southern Ohio. Mallon has been a name of significance in the profession of law and in the public life of Cincinnati and vicinity for a great many years.

Guy W. Mallon was born at Cincinnati, April 28, 1864. His parents were Judge Patrick and Sophia (Beadle) Mallon. His father carried the burdens of a heavy practice as an attorney for a great many years, and was also judge of the Common Pleas Court of Hamilton County for several terms.

Guy W. Mallon has always been known as a very scholarly lawyer. He attended public schools in his native city, graduating from the Woodward High School in 1881, took the classical course in Yale University, receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1885, and in 1888 completed his course and received the Bachelor of Laws degree from Cincinnati Law School. He also studied abroad at Heidelberg, Germany. He was admitted to the bar in 1888, and has been practicing law for over thirty-five years.



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In 1889 he was elected a member of the State Legislature. In the following session he introduced the bill providing for the Australian ballot system in Ohio, secured its passage and has since been known as the father of that system of voting in Ohio, which is now practically the system in every state of the Union. Mr. Mallon in 1906 was elected a member of the City Council, filling that office two years. He served eighteen years as a trustee of Ohio State University, being appointed by Governor Nash in 1903 and remaining on the board until 1921. He has been deeply interested as a student and leader in many movements for civic and governmental reform, and practically every such movement in Cincinnati during the past twenty years has had his active cooperation. He has been for sixteen years chairman of the Citizens' Council of Public Education, organized to remove the school board from politics. Mr. Mallon was one of the attorneys who drafted an amendment to the city charter to give Cincinnati a government in which the chief executive responsibilities devolve upon a manager to be elected by a board of nine aldermen, these aldermen chosen at large by the proportional representation plan. Mr. Mallon and his associates secured 22,000 signatures to the petition to have this amendment submitted. The petition was filed August 5, 1924. Mr. Mallon was secretary of the committee.

In February, 1922, the American Bar Association sent out a call for the members of the United States Supreme Court, chief justices of the State Court, the deans of all reputable law schools to meet in Washington to form an association to simplify the laws of the country. From this resulted the American Law Institute. Mr. Mallon was selected as one of the comparatively few lawyers to be represented as members of the institute. He is a member of the Cincinnati Bar Association, Ohio State and American Bar associations, the Cincinnati Business Men's Club, the University Club, the Yale Club and Psi Upsilon fraternity. For thirty years he has been a trustee and a devoted friend of Berea College at Berea, Kentucky, an institution long famous for the service it has rendered in affording educational opportunities to the people in the mountain districts not only of Kentucky but of the other states.

Mr. Mallon in 1901 organized and for three years was president of the Cincinnati Trust Company. He is a director of the French Bauer Brothers Company, the United States Can Company and the Ozark Coal Company. In 1924 Mr. Mallon became a candidate on the separate judicial ballot for judge of the Court of Appeals in the First District of Ohio, comprising the counties of Butler, Clinton, Clermont, Hamilton and Warren. In his early law practice he was a member of the firm Mallon, Coffey & Mallon. On the death of his father the title was changed to Coffey, Mallon, Mills & Vordenberg. On the death of Mr. Coffey, Mr. Mills withdrew, and since then the firm has been Mallon & Vordenberg. This firm handles a large volume of general practice, and also represents the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, the Hancock Life Insurance Company, the City Ice & Fuel Company, French Bauer Brothers Company and other corporations.

For over thirty years Mr. Mallon has had the companionship and counsel of a very accomplished woman, one well known in Ohio social and civic affairs. He and Miss Hannah Neil, of Columbus, were married in 1891. Her parents were Maj. Henry M. and Julia (Stone) Neil, her mother now deceased. Maj. Henry M. Neil is now ninety-two years of age and a resident of Columbus, is a son of William Neil, founder of the historic Neil House, which after rendering service to thousands of eminent personages was recently torn down to make room for the modern new Neil House at Columbus. Maj. Henry M. Neil devoted his active career to the management of the family estate and fortune. He and Governor Dennison were brothers-in-law, and he chanced to be in the governor's office when the telegram came from President Lincoln calling for volunteers to put down the Southern rebellion. Major Neil immediately volunteered, thus getting the distinction of being the first volunteer from Ohio in the Civil war. He was a captain of artillery and later major. Mrs. Mallon was educated in Ohio State University. Besides discharging the obligations of rearing a family of accomplished sons and daughters, she has been much interested in civic movements. She resigned her office as president of the Woman's City Club of Cincinnati to go to France during the World war, and for a year and a half had charge of the Young Men's Christian Association at Saumur, in France. On her return she was again elected president of the Woman's City Club and subsequently president of the Ohio League of Woman Voters, and in 1920 was vice chairman of the Democratic Central Committee. Mr. and Mrs. Mallon are members of the Episcopal Church. More than passing mention should be made of their individual children, the oldest of whom, Guy W., Jr., died in infancy.

Miss Mary Mallon graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915 from Vassar College, was for one year assistant in economics in Cincinnati and in 1917 was married to Prof. Alan Tower Waterman, assistant professor of physics in Yale University. They have three children, Alan, Neil and Barbara. Henry Neil, the oldest living son, graduated from Yale University with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1917, served with the rank of major of artillery in the late war, and is now production manager of the United States Can Company at Cincinnati. John Howard Mallon, who graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from the Yale University in 1919, was a first lieutenant of artillery in the late war, and is now with the Louisville Cement Works at Louisville, Kentucky. He married in 1921 Miss Eleanor Fales Coward at New York. They have two children, John and Thomas. Miss Sophia B. Mallon, who graduated Bachelor of Arts from Vassar College in 1918, is associated with the Keelor & Hall Advertising Company at Cincinnati. Patrick Mallon, a Bachelor of Arts graduate of Yale with the class of 1921, is with the Washburn Crosby Company, millers at Minneapolis. Horace Taft Mallon, who alma mater is Williams College, where he took his Bachelor of Arts degree, is with the General Motors Acceptance Company at Cincinnati. Miss Hannah Mallon graduated Bachelor of Arts from Vassar College in 1924, spent a year in college at Saumur, France, and a year in the University of Zurich, Switzerland, and is now a post graduate student at Columbia University in New York City. The youngest of these talented children is Dwight Stone Mallon, who entered the freshman class at Yale University in 1924.

GEORGE E. SHARPE. Among the older substantial citizens of Steubenville few are better known and none more highly respected than George E. Sharpe, president of the Ohio Foundry Manufacturing Company, a pioneer enterprise of this city, founded in 1846 by his father and continued by himself. It is one of the oldest and most reliable business concerns of Steubenville, and has the unique distinction of having been owned by one family for seventy-eight years. Great expansion has been necessitated by its prosperity, and improvements have been adopted to suit the changing times, but the same honorable busi-

ness policy prevails that was one of its corner-stones at its founding.

George E. Sharpe was born at Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio, April 10, 1846, the youngest of a family of four children born to W. L. and Isabell (McFadden) Sharpe, the others being: Samuel, who was a missionary of the Presbyterian Church to Bogata, South America, married Mattie Chambers and their one daughter, Isabell, was born in Bogata, South America; John Henry, who married Mamie Semple, and they had three children, John S., Mary and Isabell; and Chrissie, who married Rev. R. F. Bunting and they had six children, Frank, R. F., George, William, Charles and Belle.

W. L. Sharpe, father of George E., was born at Coote Hill in the North of Ireland and accompanied his father, James Sharpe, to the United States in 1810. The family settled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where W. L. Sharpe was reared, learned the trade of foundryman, and as a worker at this trade came to Steubenville, Ohio. He was a man of industry and thrifty habit, and when, thereby, he had acquired sufficient capital he established a business of his own under the name of the Ohio Foundry and Manufacturing Company, this being in 1846, in which year his youngest son was born. Of sterling integrity in business, he set a good example also in private life, being an elder and trustee in the Presbyterian Church. His wife, Isabell McFadden, was a daughter of Samuel and Lydia (McIntosh) McFadden, probably of Scotch-Irish ancestry.

George E. Sharpe was reared at Steubenville, developing strong and robust physically, and was of so active and cheerful a temperament that in games and pastimes in his boyhood he was very apt to be chosen a leader. He attended school and made rapid progress, but public excitement, owing to the Civil war, then in its second year, permeated the schoolroom, and when an opportunity offered, although but sixteen years old, he enlisted in the One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry and served as a competent soldier in this organization for four months. Later he resumed his studies and spent one year in Washington-Jefferson College in Pennsylvania, after which he studied chemistry and laboratory experimentation at Ann Arbor, Michigan. By that time his father needed his trained observation and intelligent help in his foundry, and Mr. Sharpe immediately became interested in the plant at Steubenville and in mastering the foundry business had a chance to exercise the marked inventive faculty he possessed, which resulted in many improvements in the staple lines of manufactured goods, and ultimately almost shut off competition in certain directions. Upon the death of his father Mr. Sharpe succeeded to the property and assumed the responsibilities, and in large measure has been at its head and its main directing force ever since.

Mr. Sharpe first married, at Steubenville, in April, 1867, Miss Sarah Beatty, a daughter of Alexander and Effie Ann (Johnson) Beatty. Mr. Beatty was a successful business man of this city, a pioneer glass manufacturer, and all his life was a worthy member of the Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe had children as follows: Alexander, who married Emma Carter, has two children, Mary and Alexander; Abbie I., who is deceased; Mary K., who is the wife of C. P. McFadden, and they have two children, George and Sarah; and William L., who married Mary Allison.

Mr. Sharpe married a second time on February 2, 1922, Beatrice Kelley, a daughter of James Kelley, a prominent physician of Steubenville. Mrs. Sharpe is a highly educated woman, having graduated at the head of her class from one of the leading schools in America. She was admitted to the bar, but never practiced law. At the time of her marriage she was librarian of the Steubenville Library. She is one of the most prominent women speakers in this section of the state, and for many years has been one of the noted speakers on current and historical events in Ohio.

Mr. Sharpe has never been as active in political life as in business, but is a public-spirited citizen and a valued member of the Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to the Order of Elks and to the Steubenville Country Club, and is a member and a trustee of the Episcopal Church.

James Collins Kratz, osteopathic physician, is a native of Cincinnati, and has won an enviable place in his profession there. Doctor Kratz is a citizen of progressive ideas, a thinker and scholar, and has not been without influence in promoting some of the ideas and policies affecting the progress of humanity in general.

Doctor Kratz was born in Cincinnati July 10, 1893, son of W. H. and Catherine (Collins) Kratz, residents of Cincinnati, where his father is a therapeutist.

Dr. James C. Kratz was educated in the high school at Dayton, Kentucky, in the public schools of Indianapolis, took a course in philosophy of literature in the University of Chicago, and graduated after four years of work from the Chicago College of Osteopathy in 1917. In the same year he opened his offices in the Second National Bank Building, where he has a suite of five rooms, and where he continued his practice. He has been licensed under the laws of both Kentucky and Ohio.

Doctor Kratz has purposely not affiliated with any fraternal organizations, since he believes that the human family is one great brotherhood and all men should be treated alike. His literary tastes and talents have led him to write considerably, so far as the demands of his profession permit, and he is author of some poetry and has contributed articles on current topics for magazines. One theme he has advocated several times has been his belief that as a result of the decline of the old time courtesy to womanhood mankind thereby is deteriorating. Doctor Kratz is an independent in politics. He was a staunch advocate of woman suffrage before that movement had reached the climax of its success.

He married in June, 1920, Miss Florence Vanderhorst, of New Bremen, Ohio, where her parents, Frank and Catherine (Brand) Vanderhorst, once resided. Her father is now a contractor of Cincinnati. Mrs. Kratz was educated at Cincinnati, and takes an active part in social life. They have one son, Robert Collins, born in 1922.

Conroy Business School, an institution that has performed a notable service in Cincinnati and Southern Ohio for some years in the training of students for business responsibility is the Conroy Business School, conducted by three sisters, each an expert and highly qualified teacher, Marcella, Alice G. and Nona C. Conroy. The superintendent is Miss Marcella Conroy.

They were all born in Cincinnati, daughters of John and Margaret Conroy. Their father until his death was a well known contractor and builder. Miss Marcella Conroy acquired some of her early education in the public schools of St. Paul, Minnesota, and after that in Cincinnati, where she attended the Woodward High School and graduated from the Walnut Hill High School. After graduating from the Bartlett Business College she remained there as a teacher of bookkeeping, typewriting and shorthand, and subsequently held a similar position with the Miller Business School. Miss Alice G. Conroy

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is a graduate of the Woodward High School at Cincinnati and the Bartlett Commercial College, and, like her sister, taught there and in the Miller Business College. Finally these two sisters resigned to establish the Conroy Business School. The sister Nona G. after graduating from the Walnut Hill High School attended the Conroy Business School, and since graduating has been one of the assistants, teaching shorthand and English, while Miss Alice is teacher of shorthand and Miss Marcella has charge of the bookkeeping department.

It is a select school, performing the service of individual instruction and insisting upon a degree of real proficiency and skill as the primary conditions of graduation. The school is conducted with both day and night classes, and every pupil is required to complete the course before receiving a diploma. The school credits are recognized by the universities of the leading cities in Ohio.

Robert N. Gorman. There has been no more distinguished name at the Cincinnati bar than that of Gorman. Robert N. Gorman is a young attorney, has made a brilliant record in his profession, and is a son of the late Judge Frank M. Gorman, one of the ablest lawyers and judges Cincinnati ever produced.

Judge Frank M. Gorman was judge of the Common Pleas Court of Cincinnati from 1909 to 1915, and then was promoted to the Court of Appeals of Ohio, serving until his death in 1918. In both courts he proved the possessor of some of the highest characteristics of the able judge.

Robert N. Gorman was born at Cincinnati September 27, 1896. His mother is Lillie (Herancourt) Gorman, daughter of George M. and Barbara Herancourt, and representing one of Cincinnati's oldest families. Mrs. Lillie Gorman served as the first president of the Hamilton County Woman's Suffrage Organization, and is treasurer of the Woman's Democratic Club. She was an alternate to the National Democratic Convention in New York in 1924, and owing to the prolonged deadlock in that convention she attended and voted many times in the absence of the regular delegate.

Robert N. Gorman was educated at Cincinnati in the Hartwell Public School and the Franklin Preparatory School, attended the University of Wiscousin, and in 1918 graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard University.

On June 3, 1918, he enlisted with the Naval Reserve Corps, was made second class seaman, and went through the various grades until mustered out with the rank of ensign, December 29, 1919. Following that he completed his law course in the Harvard Law School, and has since been engaged in practice at Cincinnati, at first with the firm of Peck, Shaffer & Williams. On January 1, 1924, he formed a partnership with Thomas L. Tallentire, and this firm of young men has achieved definite distinction and success at the Cincinnati bar.

Mr. Gorman was elected as president of the Duckworth Democratic Club of Cincinnati on January 1, 1924, This is the second oldest democratic club in the United States, the oldest being the noted Tammany Hall of New York. Mr. Gorman was a director of the club for two years, was chairman of the committee on organization and in 1922-23 was chairman of the publicity committee. The club owns its own building at 217 W. Ninth Street. Mr. Gorman has had much experience in practical politics, having acted as state manager in 1922 for Hon. Floyd Williams, candidate for attorney general, and in 1924 was manager of Thomas H. Morrow's campaign for attorney general.

Mr. Gorman is a member of the University Club, the Cincinnati Automobile Club, the American Business Club, is affiliated with Excelsior Lodge No. 369, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He is himself a candidate on the democratic ticket for prosecuting attorney of Hamilton County, and his ability as a speaker has enabled him to play a very important part in state democratic politics. Mr. Gorman is unmarried. His brother, Harold Gorman, is an attorney practicing at Cleveland, while his only sister is Mrs. Guy P. Davis, of Mattoon, Illinois.

Edgar N. Meck. The successful business career of Edgar N. Meck has been identified with shoe manufacturing. He has held important executive positions in some of the larger companies of the country, and is now manager of the Selby Shoe Company of Ironton, Lawrence County.

He was born at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, June 15, 1876, son of James A. and Susan (Caho) Meck. His grandfather was Benjamin Meck, and the town of Meckville in Pennsylvania was named for him. The Meck family has been prominent in that section of Pennsylvania for many generations. James A. Meck was a successful business man of Lancaster, in the wholesale lumber and coal business, and also a wholesale cigar manufacturer. He was an active member and deacon of the Reformed Church. He died in 1910 and his wife, in 1897. They had three sons, Harry, Randolph and Edgar N. The two older sons remain in Pennsylvania, and both are deacons in the Reformed Church. Harry was in the brewing business until prohibition came into effect. Randolph is now president of the Farmers National Bank of Reading, Pennsylvania. Both of them are Thirty-second Degree Scottish Rite Masons and Shriners, and their father was a Knight of Pythias.

Edgar N. Meck was reared at Lancaster, attended public schools there, graduated in 1893 from the Reading High School, and continued his education in Ursinus College at Collegeville, Pennsylvania. He was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Divinity degrees in 1898. His education had been directed with a view to entering the ministry. About the time he graduated he joined the Pennsylvania National Guard, and soon entered the federal service, at the time of the Spanish-American war. He was in the army a year and three months, being at Havana and Saint Argo, and was with General Shafter at Tampa. He was stricken with the yellow fever, but recovered.

In 1900 Mr. Meck became identified with the shoe business in the general executive offices of the Brown Shoe Company at St. Louis. He was with that company for thirteen years, rising to executive responsibilities. In 1913 he went to Seattle, Washington, as manager of the Washington Shoe Company, where he remained a year and a half. On returning East he was manager for the Landes Shoe Company two years, a resident of Portsmouth, Ohio, four years, and since then has been a resident of Ironton, Ohio. He began here as assistant general manager and on the executive council of the Selby Shoe Company, and after two years was promoted to manager in charge of the plants of the company in Ironton and at Ashland, Kentucky.

On August 2, 1916, at Seattle, Washington, Mr. Meck married Miss Ruth P. Tyler. Her mother was Elvira C. T. Cavanaugh, now deceased, daughter of one of the first pioneer settlers in the Puget Sound country of Washington, and who is still living at the age of ninety-seven. Mr. and Mrs. Meck have three children, Helen, Randolph and Susan.

While Mr. Meck never carried out his early intention of entering the ministry, he has always been a prominent layman in the Reformed Church and has interested himself in religious and welfare movements, particularly those affecting the children of the communities where he lives. This has been particularly true of his residence at Ironton. He is prominent in the Boy Scouts movement. He is a leading member of the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce, being president of the Inter-City Rotary clubs and Inter-City Chamber of Commerce, is also affiliated with the Knights of Pythias. He and Mrs. Meck are members of the Reformed Church, but as there is no church of that denomination in Ironton they attend the Methodist Church.

JOHN M. SMITH, M. D. A working service of forty-five years in one community lends dignity to the career of Dr. John M. Smith, one of the old and honored professional men of Tuscarawas County, whose home has been at New Philadelphia since 1880. His life is also interesting because it is a continuation of family lines that have been in Ohio since the earliest times.

Doctor Smith was born on a farm in Morgan County, Ohio, March 1, 1856. His first Ohio ancestor was Daniel Smith, of English stock, whose wife, Elizabeth, was of German and Spanish lineage. Shortly after their marriage they started on horseback from the vicinity of Baltimore, Maryland, and after traversing the wilderness roads of the mountains, made settlement in Harrison County, Ohio, about the time Ohio entered the Union as a state. Their son, William P. Smith, was born in Harrison County, in 1804. William P. Smith married Elizabeth Parker. They were the parents of Richard P. Smith, who was born and reared in Harrison County, and devoted his active life to farming. Richard P. Smith married Mary Jane Miller, a native of Harrison County, and daughter of Samuel and Mary (Lightner) Miller, the former a native of Germany, of Scotch-Irish lineage.

Not long after the birth of Dr. John M. Smith his parents, Richard P. and Mary Jane Smith, returned to Harrison County. They reared a family of five children, John M. being the second. His early life was spent on a farm, and in addition to the country schools attended Scio College and Mount Union College. Three winter terms were spent as a teacher in country schools. Doctor Smith prepared for his profession in the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery, now the Medical Department of the University of Cincinnati. He was graduated in 1879, and for about a year served as an interne in a Cincinnati hospital.

In March, 1880, he began what has been such a long and notable service as a physician and surgeon at New Philadelphia. During the World war he acted as surgeon of the local draft board. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State, Seventh Councillor District and the American Medical associations.

Doctor Smith was for several years a member of the City Board of Education, and has interested himself in a number of progressive movements and undertakings in his home community. He is a republican, a Knights Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a life member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

He married November 11, 1885, Miss Emma Taylor, a daughter of the late Col. N. P. Taylor and a granddaughter of John Taylor. Doctor and Mrs. Smith have one daughter, Helen, wife of Alexander Robinson of Uhrichsville, Ohio.

HON. JOSEPH R. GARDNER, state senator from Hamilton County, is a native son of Cincinnati, and for a number of years has been achieving a most creditable record as one of the attorneys of that city.

Mr. Gardner was born in Cincinnati April 16, 1879, son of the late Joseph and Margaret (Blettner) Gardner. His father was in the wholesale hardware business for many years. The son was educated in the public schools, graduating from high school in 1896 and from an early age, took upon himself the responsibilities of making his own living and getting his higher education. He attended night classes in the Young Men's Christian Association Law School, and in 1907 was admitted to the bar and in the same year formed a partnership with Harry F. Freking. They are still partners, the firm of Gardner & Freking having progressed to a place of leadership at the Cincinnati bar, handling a large general practice, much of it corporation law. They represent the Economy Wholesale Drug Company, the Hohman Furniture Company and a number of other corporations. Mr. Gardner himself is active in business as a director and secretary of the Hohman Company, secretary of the Gilbert Shade Holder Company, director of the American Shade Company and treasurer of the American Pitch Company.

A number of organizations have his active membership, including the Cincinnati Lawyers' Club, Hamilton County, Ohio State and American Bar associations, Cuvier Press Club, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Blaine Republican Club, and the Business Men's Club. On a number of occasions he has proved himself a brilliant campaigner, and one of the able men in the republican party of Southern Ohio, and has been strongly solicited to run for lieutenant governor. He was elected a member of the House of Representatives in the Eighty-second Session and reelected for the Eighty-third Session, was then chosen state senator for the Eighty-fourth Session and reelected for the Eighty-fifth, and in 1924 received the full endorsement of the republican organization of Hamilton County as candidate and in August, 1924, was renominated as a candidate for state senator and his fifth term in the Ohio Legislature.

Mr. Gardner married at Cincinnati in 1918 Miss Nan M. Murray, daughter of William and Ellen Murray. The father, now deceased, was in the tobacco business for many years. Mrs. Gardner was educated in the Cedar Grove parochial school at Cincinnati, and is socially prominent, and has also taken an active part in political affairs, spending much of her time at Columbus with her husband during the Eighty-fifth Session. She is a member of the Republican Club and the Cincinnati Institution of American Government.

HON. THOMAS L. TALLENTIRE. When elected to the Ohio House of Representatives in the fall of 1922 Thomas L. Tallentire was one of the youngest members of the Legislature, yet his singular gift as a speaker and public thinker made him one of the most useful members of the General Assembly. Mr. Tallentire is an attorney at Cincinnati, and is a graduate in law of the University of Cincinnati (Cincinnati Law School).

He was born at Bellevue, Kentucky, March 28, 1899, son of Lewis E. and Georgia Mae (Hulse) Tallentire. Georgia Mae Hulse Tallentire was born in Louisville, Kentucky, the daughter of Dr. William Hulse and Mary A. Thomas Hulse. The Tallentires are of one of the old and distinguished families of England, and several branches of the family are still prominent in English social and professional life. Lewis E. Tallentire was born in La Fayette, Indiana,

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the son of Thomas Tallentire and Ann Martin Tallentire. He spent many years in Kentucky, and is now at Washington, D. C., as a special assistant to the postmaster general.

Thomas L. Tallentire graduated from the Bellevue High School in Kentucky, and has been a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio, since 1916, when he entered the University of Cincinnati. His law studies were interrupted when early in 1918 he enlisted in the United States Navy, being released from active duty in January, 1919. In that year, he graduated from the Cincinnati Law School, but being only twenty years of age he used the following year in acquiring additional knowledge and experience in the office of Hon. Alfred G. Allen, who for many years represented the Second Ohio District in Congress. Admitted to the bar at the age of twenty-one, he practiced law as an associate of Congressman Allen until January, 1924, when he formed the partnership of Tallentire & Gorman. Hon. Robert N. Gorman is a son of the late Judge Frank M. Gorman, who for many years was a judge of the Court of Appeals for the First Judicial District of Ohio.

Elected in the fall of 1922, Mr. Tallentire served as a member of the Eighty-fifth Ohio General Assembly, and was appointed a member of the Judiciary, Public Utilities, Codes, Courts and Civil Procedure, and Federal Relations committees, doing a great deal of work on all these committees. He introduced and secured the passage of the law requiring all applicants for admission to practice law in Ohio to be graduates of some reputable law school and placing such law schools in the state under the supervision of the Ohio Supreme Court. This bill was perhaps the hardest fought measure before the Eighty-fifth General Assembly, having been passed by the House, then reconsidered and passed again, and had a similar experience in the Senate, being finally passed by both houses, then vetoed by the governor. However, since then the Supreme Court has so changed the rules regulating admission of candidates to the bar as to give practical effect to Mr. Tallentire's essential ideas. Mr. Tallentire was also active in securing the passage of the Uniform Traffic Bill, which was once defeated, but he secured its reconsideration and later put it through. He was responsible for the defeat of the new Blue Sky Law, taking the position that the proposed measure weakened the existing law and that citizens were protected under the old measure. His influence was also used in an effort to pass legislation for the welfare and safety of motorists and the traveling public, and in an effort to secure legislation to make more secure real estate titles by forcing the recording of court judgments before they became a lien on real estate.

Mr. Tallentire was president of the organization of members of the Eighty-fifth Ohio General Assembly who had been service men in the World war. As a candidate for reelection in 1924 Mr. Tallentire had the endorsement of the republican organization of Hamilton County. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, the Phi Alpha Delta fraternity, the Cincinnati Lawyers' Club, the Cincinnati Bar Association, the Ohio State and American Bar associations, the University Club, Blaine Republican Club, and the Hyde Park Republican Club and is a state officer of La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux, and is an active member of the American Legion, and of the American Business Club. He is a member of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Tallentire married, May 8, 1924, Nelle I. Sharpe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Peck, of Clayton, Indiana. Her father is a wholesale furniture merchant, and her family is one of much prominence. Mrs. Tallentire holds diplomas and degrees from three schools, De Pauw University of Indiana, Cornell University of New York, and the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. She was appointed State Supervisor of Music for Ohio from 1922 to 1924, having supervision over music in all state schools and universities. She is a member of the Delta Delta Delta Sorority, various musical clubs and societies and the Episcopal Church, and is a leader in the social and musical life of Cincinnati.

Ava Coburn. One of the past masters of coal mining from a practical standpoint in the Hocking Valley is Ava Coburn, now president of the F. J. Riddle Coal Comapny at Murray City, in Hocking County. His experience in coal mining in this famous section of Ohio started when a boy of twelve years, when he put in nine and a half hours of daily labor at wages of sixty-five cents a day.

Mr. Coburn was born in Ashland, Kentucky, October 1, 1882, son of Taylor and Katharine (Taylor) Coburn. His parents were of old Kentucky families. Taylor Coburn brought his family to Ohio and settled in Hocking County, and as a carpenter and builder did much construction work in mining sections, both houses and mine timbering. Subsequently he moved to Columbus. He died in 1918, at the age of sixty-seven, and his wife passed away at the age of sixty-three. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias lodge at Buchtel. In his family were ten children, named briefly as follows: Alonzo, who is in the mines of Murray City; Curtis, who died when seventeen years of age; William, who has charge of mines for the Cannelton Coal Company in Fayette County, West Virginia; Ava; Virgil, who died in childhood; Alexander, a resident of Akron, Ohio; Harry, of New York; Denver, a farmer; Gertie, wife of Joseph Burnett, of Columbus; and Fred, of Akron.

Ava Coburn had the opportunities of the common schools only a few years and, as noted above, went to work at the age of twelve, at first as a trapper boy in the mines. There have been few positions or grades of responsibility in inside and outside work at the mines which he has not performed. In 1917 Mr. Coburn opened a wagon mine, and in 1918 organized the F. J. Riddle Coal Company, of which he is president and which contributes a large amount of tonnage to the annual production of this coal center of Hocking County.

In 1908 Mr. Coburn married Miss Ruth Brown, a daughter of Zack Brown, of Murray City. They have four children: Donald, Harold, Frederick and Mary. Mr. Coburn is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Leroy Keys Shepherd, M. D., D. O., is a graduate of a regular school of medicine, as was his father and also his grandfather before him, and for three generations the name Shepherd has been well known and prominently identified with the medical profession in the vicinity of Cincinnati. Leroy Keys Shepherd's chief work, however, is as an osteopathic physician and surgeon, and he was one of the earlier graduates of osteopathy.

He was born in Cincinnati June 29, 1883, son of Dr. W. F. Shepherd and grandson of Dr. Albert Shepherd. His grandfather, who located at Springdale, in Hamilton County, Ohio, in 1849, practiced medicine there for many years. Dr. W. F. Shepherd is still active in handling a general practice as a physician at Glendale, a suburb of Cincinnati. Dr. W. F. Shepherd married Mary Keys, who represents an old and wealthy family of Cincinnati, where her father, Richard Keys, was for many years a merchant and financier.

Leroy Keys Shepherd after completing his course in the Glendale High School went to Kirksville,

Missouri, and attended the American School of Osteopathy, graduating in 1904. Since that year he has been engaged in a profitable practice in Cincinnati, and his talents and abilities did much to gain favor for osteopathy in its early years. He is also equipped as a homeopathic physician, having taken the regular course of the Pulte Medical College at Cincinnati and graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1907. However, he uses his knowledge of medicine only to supplement osteopathy. Doctor Shepherd had the interesting experience some years ago of being called to attend a patient who had been the first patient attended by his grandfather after locating at Springdale.

Doctor Shepherd is a member of the Cincinnati Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, the Ohio State and American Osteopathic Society, and he has a fine suite of rooms for offices in the Provident Bank Building, equipped with all the appliances and facilities required by his profession.

Doctor Shepherd is a Royal Arch Mason, is a member of the Business Men's Club, and, while not a member, is strongly inclined to the New Thought Church. He married in 1918 Miss Lucile Grandin, of Cincinnati, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Eastman) Grandin, who now reside in California. The Grandins are well known and a prominent family of Cincinnati. Mrs. Shepherd finished her education in the Bartholamew School, a select girls' school conducted by Miss Ely at Cincinnati. The three children of Doctor and Mrs. Shepherd are: Richard Grandin, born in 1919; Leroy K. Jr., born in 1920; and John Willard, born in 1923. The home is 3208 Menlo Avenue, Walnut Hill.

Harry M. Palmer, a progressive and successful representative of the real estate and insurance business in the City of Norwood, Hamilton County, was born in Dearborn County, Indiana, October 7, 1880, and is a son of Francis M. and Nancy Belle Palmer. His father, now deceased, was prominently identified with the timber industry, as a dealer, for a number of years prior to his death.

In the public schools of his native state Harry M. Palmer acquired his youthful education, and upon leaving school he took a position with the Conrey-Barley-Davis Table Company at Shelbyville, Indiana. He continued in the employ of this company about six years, and during much of this period had charge of the pattern department. He next gave about ten years of effective service as superintendent of the Cincinnati Mailing Device Company, of Cincinnati, and since 1912 he has been engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Norwood. He initiated operations on a very modest scale, and by his energy, progressive policies and fair and honorable methods he has developed in this line of enterprise a business of such scope and importance as to mark him one of the leaders in well ordered real estate business in this metropolitan district, the while success of equal significance has attended the insurance department of his business. He is one of the active and valued members of the Norwood Real Estate Board, and is liberal and loyal in supporting measures and enterprises advanced for the general good of his home city.

Mr. Palmer was for two years representative of the First Ward as a member of the City Council of Norwood, served three years as city building inspector, and for several years was precinct executive of precinct G of the Second Ward of the city. In the World war period Mr. Palmer was regimental sergeant of the local Home Guard, and was a leader in the varied patriotic activities in his home city and county, especially the drives in support of the government war loans, Red Cross work, etc. In recognition of this earnest and loyal service on his part the citizens of Norwood presented him with a beautiful medal, and the same bears the following inscription: "Presented by the manufacturers, banks and people of Norwood, Ohio, in grateful recognition of patriotic service in the World war. May 23, 1919." The citizens of Norwood presented him also a medal in recognition of his services in the Home Guard. This well ordered military organization did effective police service during the strike of the regular policemen of Norwood, and came forward in a similar way at the time of the strike of the city firemen, the members of the guard having proved remarkably adept in the unwonted and responsible duties that came to them in this connection. Mr. Palmer was a member of the board assigned to the appraising of Norwood property in 1917, and he is now appraiser and also a director of the Norwood Home Savings Association. In the real estate department of his business he retains two efficient salesmen at the time of this writing, in 1924, these valued aids being John W. Mitchell and Lee Rheinhart. His home is located at 3901 Elsmore Avenue. Mr. Palmer is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, and his wife holds membership in the New Thought Church.

The year 1908 recorded the marriage of Mr. Palmer and Miss Irene Vogel, daughter of the late Charles and Emma Vogel, of Cincinnati. Mrs. Palmer is a popular figure in club and social circles in Norwood. Harry F., the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, is, in 1924, a pupil in the Williams Avenue public school.

Hon. Harold L. Hilton, attorney-at-law, justice of the peace, counsellor for the Piggly Wiggly chain stores, and one of the most prominent men of Norwood, has won the prestige he now enjoys through his own unaided efforts, and deserves the success to which he has attained. He was born at Savannah, Georgia, December 1, 1886, a son of Henry and Edith (Abrahams) Hilton. The father was for years a very prominent man in insurance circles, serving as a general agent, and his death occurred April 22, 1924. The mother survives him.

After attending the public schools of Savannah, Georgia, Harold L. Hilton became a student of the Clifton Grammar School of Cincinnati, Ohio, and was graduated therefrom at the age of thirteen years. When he was fourteen he began working, and when only sixteen was sent out on the road as a traveling salesman, and followed this work for three years. In 1908 he began the study of law in the night school of the Young Men's Christian Association, and was admitted to the bar in 1911. However, according to the state law he could not engage in the practice of his profession without a high school diploma, and to remedy this lack on his part he took a special examination at Columbus, Ohio, the results of which gave him his required diploma. Immediately thereafter he opened a law office at Cincinnati, remaining there until August 1, 1922, when he came to Norwood. In 1911 he was elected a justice of the peace, an office he still continues to hold, having been reelected upon three occasions. Very often is he designated by the mayor of Norwood as police judge, and his decisions in many cases have become famous. In the course of his duty as justice of the peace he has often been called upon to try many liquor cases. When the jurisdiction of the justice court was questioned in these particular cases Mr. Hilton brought a test case before the Supreme Court of Ohio, and the court sustained him in every particular. The case is styled Hilton, Police Judge, vs. State, ex-rel Bell, Prosecuting Attorney, Page 681, North-

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eastern Reporter. As previously mentioned, Mr. Hilton is attorney for the chain of stores operated under the name of the Piggly Wiggly. A staunch republican, he is very active in politics, is a convincing and eloquent speaker, and is very influential in state matters. He belongs to the Cincinnati Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association, the Lawyers' Club and formerly was a director of the Norwood Republican Club. In 1924 he attended the Republican National Convention held at Cleveland, Ohio. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and also belongs to the Mystic Shrine. He is a Christian Scientist, and formerly chairman of the church board at Norwood. At present he is on the Board of Trustees and a member of the Building Committee for the construction of the new church edifice, costing $250,000.

Mr. Hilton married Miss Lucy C. Burrus, of Norwood, a daughter of Charles and Alice Burrus, both of whom are living, he being a retired capitalist of Norwood. Mrs. Hilton was graduated from Walnut High School, Cincinnati, Ohio, and attended the University of Cincinnati. She is a very accomplished lady and one of the social leaders of Norwood. Mr. and Mrs. Hilton have two children: Janis and Henry, both of whom are attending the public schools of Norwood.

HARRY J. IHLENDORF. Modern science has developed the system of caring for the dead, and popular sentiment demands a sympathetic service which accords a proper respect to the one gone on before, and the sparing of those left behind the details of the funeral. To follow the prescribed system and render the required service there are in every community of any size the country over carefully trained men who know their business and how to take care of each case with expert precision. Such a man is Harry J. Ihlendorf of Norwood, whose mortuary home is well known throughout Hamilton County.

Harry J. Ihlendorf was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 20, 1874, a son of Henry Ihlendorf, who opened an undertaking business at Reading, Ohio, in 1876. Subsequently he established a branch at Elmwood, Ohio, but still later sold his interest there and opened another branch at Madisonville, Ohio. Still later he opened a second branch at West Norwood, and it was managed by his son, William Ihlendorf, until the latter's death in 1911. The father died December 24, 1914, but the mother survives and makes her home in the family residence at Reading, Ohio.

Until his father's death Harry J. Ihlendorf was associated with him in his various undertaking establishments, after which he took full charge of the Reading and Norwood mortuary homes. While he had a thorough practical knowledge of the business in which he had been reared Mr. Ihlendorf took a course in embalming at Clarke's Embalming School, Cincinnati, Ohio, and later one at the Barnes College of Embalming, Chicago, Illinois. He was licensed under the Ohio State law at the first examination held by the State Board of Examiners. The business increased to such an extent that it was found expedient to place the Reading Mortuary Home under the charge of Frederick Ihlendorf, a brother of Mr. Ihlendorf, of this review, he, himself, managing the Norwood home, and he is assisted by Raymond Hawkins, a graduate of the Clarke Embalming School. Mr. Hawkins has been associated with Mr. Ihlendorf for the past twelve years, and is a most experienced man in his profession. The beautiful mortuary home at Norwood, a concrete building 150 by 75 feet, is modern in every particular, having chapel rooms, parlors and dressing rooms. The equipment is motorized, and the funeral accessories are the finest known to the business. Mr. Ihlendorf belongs to the Ohio State Association of Funeral Directors, and is very active in its deliberations. Believing in fraternal affiliations for the promotion of good fellowship and brotherly love, he is connected with a number of orders, and he is also active in the club and social life of the city.

Mr. Ihlendorf married Miss Katherine Feldhas, of Reading, Ohio, who is also a prominent factor in the social life of Norwood. Mr. and Mrs. Ihlendorf have two children: Estella and Harold Louis. Mr. Ihlendorf is a man of a sympathetic nature, and his services are a solace to the bereaved. When he has charge of a funeral those employing him know to a certainty that everything will be done properly and in order, without confusion, and that a fitting dignity and impressiveness will mark each feature as it should. He recognizes the fact that in thus lifting, in a measure, the weight of responsibility from those borne down by sorrow he is rendering a service which cannot be over-estimated, and places his patrons under an obligation of friendship to him.

JOHN SLATER. One of the most successful mining superintendents in the Hocking Valley is John Slater, general superintendent of Mines No. 5 and No. 7 of the Pittsburgh Coal Company at Murray City in Hocking County. Mr. Slater has been successful not only from the standpoint of efficiency in tonnage output, but in his relations with the men under him, who have learned thoroughly to respect his authority and skill.

Mr. Slater learned mining in England, and his father was an old English coal miner. He was born in South Staffordshire, England, October 14, 1871. His parents, Solomon and Elizabeth (Sheldon) Slater, are now living at Murray City, Ohio, home owners and highly respected members of that community, the father at the age of eighty-four and the mother aged eighty-one. They came to this country in 1888, and for a time lived in Chicago, where Solomon Slater was an employe of the Illinois Steel Company. In 1904 he came to Nelsonville, Ohio, and was a mine worker in the Hocking Valley field for the Pittsburgh Coal Company until he reached the age of seventy-seven, when he retired to enjoy a well earned leisure. He had mined coal in England for a number of years before coming to this country. There were three sons and three daughters in the family. Joseph is superintendent of the Betsy Lane Mine in Pike County, Kentucky. John is the second son. Fred is inside foreman at Mine No. 10, in Hocking County. The daughter Georgiana is the wife of William Lewis, auditor in the employ of the Pittsburgh Coal Company.

John Slater was seventeen years old when the family came to America. He had attended school in England, and in that country he also learned practically every phase of the work of a coal miner. At Chicago he entered the service of the Illinois Steel Company at South Chicago, and was for eight years with that corporation, most of the time as coke and coal weigher. On coming to Ohio he located in Perry County, and became weighmaster for the Lost Run Coal Company and also outside foreman. He was there for four years, and for four years a consul with the Johnson Brothers, operating coal cutting machines. After three weeks as superintendent of the Floodwood Mine he came to Murray City in 1902, taking charge of Mine No. 5, and subsequently was given the general superintendence of both 5 and 7 mines. Most of the extension and development work in these mines has been done under his supervision. He has over 700 men under him, and is naturally one of the best known men in Hocking County.

Mr. Slater has been deeply interested in the cause of educational progress at Murray City, and was a member of the school board when the Murray City schoolhouse was built. He and his family are Methodists, and he is affiliated with the Sons of St. George, the Knights of Pythias, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Elks.

In 1896 Mr. Slater married Miss Anna Bridgewater, daughter of Esau Bridgewater, of Chauncey, Ohio. They have a family of six sturdy children. Edward is in charge of the mine pumps under his father, and Arthur is operating a grocery store and meat market at Murray City. Albert is now a student in Ohio State University, studying for the Civil Engineering degree. The daughter Miriam is attending Ohio University at Athens, while Elizabeth is a student in the Murray City High School. The youngest, a boy, Jack, is six months old.

Capt. David Watson Shedd was for many years one of the best known figures in Ohio River steamboat circles. His home was at Cincinnati, and he and his family occupied an exceptionally high place in the social life of that city.

Captain Shedd was born at Hillsboro, Highland County, Ohio, July 3, 1847, and died June 22, 1924, being laid to rest in the Shedd family plot at Ripley. His people were of English ancestry, and came to America in Colonial times. His father, William Farley Shedd, was born at Hollis, New Hampshire, August 8, 1816, and as a young man lived at Bethel, Vermont, and in 1839 came to Ohio, living at Hillsboro and subsequently at Ripley. Though well advanced in years, he enlisted in 1861 in the Union Army with the 24th Ohio Volunteers, and fought through the struggle, being in the Battle of Shiloh. On November 24, 1843, he married Priscilla Jones, and the two children of their marriage were Laura Clarinda and Capt. David Watson.

David Watson Shedd through nearly all his active career was identified with the Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Big Sandy Packet companies, at first a clerk, then a captain and finally as general freight and passenger agent. From 1888 to 1891 he was captain of the United States steamer Gen. O. M. Poe on the Kentucky River. While his father was forty-five when he became a Union soldier, Captain did not reach his majority until several years after the close of the war, but in the meantime he served with the Second Ohio Independent Battery and Capt. S. Espey on duty at Johnson Island. During his long residence at Cincinnati he was honored with several posts of responsibility, being secretary to the fire commissioner and tax assessor. He was very popular and was a friend to all classes.

Captain Shedd married, June 26, 1867, Ida Isabel Armstrong, daughter of William and Amanda (Fitzallen) Armstrong, her mother being a relative of Robert E. Lee. Mrs. Shedd died April 27, 1905, the mother of five children: William Oscar, who died in infancy; Miss Lora, wife of Clifford E. Martin, of Cincinnati; Edna Earl, wife of J. A. Salmon, of Portsmouth, Ohio; Horace Horton, of Cincinnati; and Isabel Lee, wife of John K. Peck, of Cincinnati.

On February 21, 1912, Captain Shedd married Miss Eva Macklin, of old Kentucky family lineage, the Macklins having for many years been prominent in the City of Frankfort, where her parents, George B. and Mary (Caldwell) Macklin, lived. Both the Caldwells and Macklins were people of note in Kentucky. Mrs. Mary Caldwell Macklin died in 1899. George B. Macklin, who died March 18, 1888, was in the wholesale and retail coal and grain business, and owned a packet line on the Kentucky River, and as a man of wealth and owner of a mansion in Frankfort he entertained governors and senators and other prominent people in true Southern style. Mrs. Shedd had two brothers and two sisters: Thomas B. Macklin, a wealthy coal dealer at Frankfort, who died November 2, 1901; William C. Macklin, a lumberman, who died April 23, 1902; Anne, who married John William Gayle, a druggist at Frankfort; and Miss Reubena, who still occupies the fine old Colonial residence of the Macklin family in Frankfort. Mrs. Shedd was educated in private schools at Frankfort, and in the Science Hill Institute at Shelbyville, Kentucky. She has been well known in the social life of Frankfort and Cincinnati. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Christian Church.

William Henry Dunn. Thoroughly modern in equipment and service is the leading undertaking establishment owned by Mr. Dunn in the Madisonville District of the City of Cincinnati, and he conducts the business under the title of W. H. Dunn & Company.

Mr. Dunn was born in Clermont County, Ohio, in November, 1857, and is a son of the late John and Sarah A. (Haney) Dunn, his father having been born and reared in the North of Ireland, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and having been a young man when he came to the United States in 1848. In his boyhood and early youth William H. Dunn contributed his quota to the work of the home farm, and the discipline which he received in the district schools of the locality and period was supplemented by his attending Parker Academy, in his native county. In the earlier part of his independent career he continued his alliance with farm industry, and thereafter he was for four years in the employ of the Behymer Company, engaged in the undertaking business in Cincinnati. In 1907 he engaged independently in this line of business and professional service, and his is now the leading undertaking and funeral directing establishment of the Madisonville District. For the accommodation of his business Mr. Dunn has provided and owns an attractive brick building of fireproof construction 50x140 feet in dimensions. He has the most metropolitan equipment, including two Winton Six sedan cars, each with a capacity for the accommodation of seven passengers, and maintains also a Winton Six funeral car and a Winton Six ambulance.

Mr. Dunn was graduated from the Clarke School of Embalming in which he made the highest grade of all students ever graduated from the institution, and he is a licensed embalmer under the state law of Ohio. He is identified with various leading associations of funeral directors, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, is serving as trustee of the Presbyterian Church in which he and his family hold membership, and he has previously given many years of service as an elder. He has had no desire for political activity or public office, but his civic loyalty was shown in his effective service in the position of school director.

In 1879 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Dunn and Miss Melvina Frazier, whose father, the late L. S. Frazier, was a prominent live stock and tobacco buyer and shipper, with residence at Bethel, Clermont County. Mrs. Dunn passed to the life eternal in the year 1892, and is survived by two children: Frederick E., who is a licensed embalmer and undertaker, and who is a valued assistant in his father's business; and Flossie Ann, who is the wife of Edward Rendfleitsh, of Cincinnati.

In 1897 Mr. Dunn wedded Miss Ann Gertrude Simpkins, she being a daughter of the late Albert G. and Henrietta W. Simpkins, of Linwood, Ohio. Mrs. Dunn is a past matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, is active in the work of the Presbyterian

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Church, of which she and her husband are influential members, and is a popular figure in the social activities of her home community. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn have one daughter, Henrietta L., who remains at the parental home, has exceptional musical ability, and is now (1924) a student in the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

JOHN S. BIDDLE, M. D., a native of Ohio and for twenty years a practicing physician and surgeon, for the past decade has represented his profession at Gallipolis.

He was born at Athens, Ohio, October 22, 1867, son of John S. and Mary (Kester) Biddle. The Kesters were of German ancestry, and the Biddle family, of English stock, came to Ohio from Pennsylvania in 1802. The father of Doctor Biddle was David Biddle. John S. Biddle, who died August 27, 1923, was a farmer in Athens County, and very active in business politics, serving as a member of the County Board of Commissioners. He was a Union soldier with the Tenth West Virginia Regiment in the Civil war, was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Presbyterian Church. His wife died October 4, 1919, and they were the parents of a large family of children. Dr. T. R. Biddle, who married Grace Poston and had one son, Clinton; Dr. D. H. Biddle, who married Ellen Roberts, and they had two children, Thomas and Ellen; Ada, deceased; Dr. A. C. Biddle, who married Bess Allen and had two children; Miss Mary; Victor Biddle, who married Helen Hawthorne, and had a daughter, Virginia; Fan, deceased; Nan, twin sister of Fan, and by her marriage to Charles Goddard has five children; Frank Biddle, who married Margaret Cook, and has one child, named Cook; Dr. H. Biddle, who married Laura Parker, and has a daughter, Bettie Ann; Helena, who died in infancy.

Dr. John S. Biddle acquired his early education in the district schools, growing up on his father's farm in Athens County. He supplemented his early advantages in Ohio University at Athens, and for two years was engaged in teaching in district and grade schools. He began the study of medicine in the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, Maryland, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1903. Doctor Biddle for ten years after graduating practiced in Mason County, West Virginia, and since then has been a resident of Gallipolis. He did post graduate work in the New York Post Graduate Hospital in 1912. He is a member of the staff of the Holzer Hospital at Gallipolis, and holds a commission of first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps. He belongs to the County and State Medical societies, the American Medical Association, and the Knights Templar Masons and Odd Fellows. He and his family attend the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Doctor Biddle married, January 28, 1903, at Albany, Ohio, Miss Elizabeth Mohler. Mrs. Biddle is the daughter of J. H. and Mary (Coe) Mohler. Her mother, who died in 1922, represented a branch of the noted New England family of Coe, and is of old American stock and Revolutionary descent. J. H. Mohler, who has spent his active life as a farmer, is of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. He has held various public offices, including director of the county infirmary. He is a Methodist and a Mason. In the Mohler family were the following children: Florence, who died in infancy; Flora, now deceased, who was the wife of J. D. Carpenter, and had two children, Nellie and Mildred; William E. whose first wife was Viola Robinett, the mother of three children, Arthur, Harley and Frank; and later he married Cora Goodrich and has a son, William E., Jr.; Pearl G., who married Etta Carpenter, and has two children, Beryl and Beulah; Carrie, deceased; Cora, twin sister of Carrie, who married J. E. Williams, and has four children, named Roger, Helen, Gladys and Lorene; Mrs. Biddle; Emma, who married O. E. Reading, and had six children; John W., who died at the age of twenty-one; Blanche, and Bertina, wife of E. T. Bailey and the mother of two daughters, named Dorothy and Christina.

Doctor and Mrs. Biddle have two daughters, both attending high school at Gallipolis, Mary Ernestine and Marjorie.

HARRY C. PARRETT was born at Columbus Grove, Putnam County, September 8, 1878, and is a son of Samuel R. and Malinda (McKibben) Parrett, the former of whom was born in Fayette County, Ohio, July 4, 1854, and the latter was born in Athens County, February 12, 1856, her death having occurred May 20, 1916. Samuel R. Parrett was reared to the sturdy discipline of the farm, received the advantages of the public schools, and he has continuously been identified with farm enterprise to the present time, his homestead farm being one of the well improved places of Putnam County. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party, he has served as township trustee and been otherwise influential in community affairs, he is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and his religious faith is that of the Christian Church, of which his wife likewise was a zealous member. The only child is Harry C., subject of this review.

The boyhood and early youth of Harry C. Parrett were marked by the discipline of the home farm and that of the public schools, and he made a record of successful service as a teacher in the public schools. After his marriage he continued his independent enterprise as a farmer in Monroe Township, Putnam County, until 1906, when he established his residence at Continental and engaged in the hardware and implement business. Later he here became a successful representative of the real estate and insurance business, and in the meanwhile he was an influential figure in the local councils and campaign work of the democratic party. In 1920 he was appointed postmaster of the village, and in this office he has continued his effective service until the spring of 1924. He is the owner of two well improved farms and gives to the same a general supervision. He has served as a member of the Village Council, and also as mayor or president of the village and as its treasurer, these various official preferments denoting the secure place that is his in popular esteem in his native county.

In the Masonic fraternity Mr. Parrett is a past master of Continental Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and is affiliated also with Ottawa Chapter No. 115, Royal Arch Masons; Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters; and Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar, in the City of Defiance.

The year 1902 recorded the marriage of Mr. Parrett and Miss Myrtle Wisterman, of Monroe Township, Putnam County, and she died June 17, 1921, leaving no children. On January 21, 1924, Mr. Parrett married Mrs. Laura Beasley, daughter of Stephen Parsons, of Toledo, Ohio.

MARTHA GAMBLE is librarian of the Lima Public Library. She was liberally educated, and specially trained for the librarian's profession.

The present public library of Lima fulfills the ideal of service which were hardly dreamed of many years ago when the nearest approach to a public library was a reading club. After that a library association and for a time the collection

of books were under the management of the Young Men's Christian Association. The final successful movement toward the establishment of the library was made in the fall of 1900. When the public library was opened in September, 1901, there were left some 2,000 volumes. Subsequently Lima became one of the beneficiaries of the Carnegie plan of library endowment, and the present handsome building for the public library was erected in 1908. It is located at West Market and McDonel streets. At the present time the Lima Public Library has about 17,000 volumes in the collection. Under Miss Gamble as librarian are two assistants, Miss Veldren M. Smith and Miss Lois Klinger.

JOHN FREDERICK MOREY, M. D., who is one of the representative physicians and surgeons of the younger generation in Hamilton County, is established in the successful practice of his profession in that district of the City of Cincinnati that formerly constituted the independent City of Madisonville.

Doctor Morey was born at Vandalia, Illinois, September 2, 1894, and is a son of Dr. Lothario Morey and Clema (Bennett) Morey, the mother being deceased. The father still resides in that city, where he is a leading physician and surgeon, as had also been his father, the late Dr. John F. Morey, who was there engaged in practice at the time of his death, the subject of this review having been named in his honor. After completing his studies in the Vandalia High School, Dr. John F. Morey of this sketch continued his studies in St. Louis University Academy, in the metropolis of Missouri, until his graduation in 1915. He then took a two-year pre-medical course in the University of St. Louis, and in 1923 he was graduated from the Eclectic Medical College in the City of Cincinnati. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he served for a time as an interne in the Union Bethel Clinic of Cincinnati, and since the latter part of 1923 he has been established in successful general practice in the Madisonville District of Cincinnati. He is an active member of the Cincinnati Medical Society, the Ohio State Eclectic Medical Society, and the National Eclectic Medical Association, besides having membership in the Phi Chi Medical College fraternity. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and in politics is aligned in the ranks of the republican party.

When the nation became involved in the World war Doctor Morey enlisted for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, and was with his corps in active service overseas. His wife, prior to their marriage, had served in the war period as a nurse with the United States Army, but was not called to duty on the stage of conflict overseas.

On the 20th of June, 1923, was recorded the marriage of Doctor Morey and Miss Jean McDowell White, of Gastonville, Pennsylvania. She received the advantages of the public schools of the old Keystone State, and was graduated from the training school for nurses maintained in connection with the Central Hospital in the City of Philadelphia. It has already been noted that Mrs. Morey was in service in her profession in the World war period, and she is a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, besides being a popular factor in the social circles of her present home community. Doctor and Mrs. Morey have a fine little son, Frederick Lothario.

MINOR K. JOHNSTON has been representative of Richland County in the State Legislature since 1918, is one of the progressive and successful exponents of farm industry in his native county, and on the old homestead farm, which is still his place of residence, four miles north of Shelby, in Plymouth Township, he was born July 24, 1866. Mr. Johnston is a son of Edward and Hannah (Kuhn) Johnston, and a grandson of John Johnston, who came from the North of Ireland to the United States and established his residence in Richland County, Ohio, about the year 1835, he having developed an improved one of the excellent farms of Plymouth Township, where his son Edward was born and reared. John Kuhn, maternal grandfather of the subject of this review, came from Franklin County, Pennsylvania, and settled in Richland County in the year 1833, both the Johnston and Kuhn families having had much of leadership in community affairs in this county since the pioneer era of its history. Edward Johnston never found it expedient to cease his allegiance to farm enterprise in his native county, and of the same he was long a prominent and substantial representative. He was sixty-six years of age at the time of his death, in 1901, and his widow having now (1923) attained to the venerable age of eighty-four years. Edward Johnston had no inclination toward public office or special political activity, but in his service in various township offices he gave evidence of his civic loyalty. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church at Shelby, and of the same his widow continued a devoted member.

Minor Kuhn Johnston found on the home farm a benignant influence and discipline in his boyhood and youth, and he supplemented the discipline of the district schools by a course in the high school at Shelby, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1884. Thereafter he taught four winter terms of school, and in advancing his own education he attended the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, from which in due course he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In the law department of the same institution he pursued his studies under the effective preceptorship of Prof. Alfred Holbrook, who gained high reputation as an educator, and his admission to the bar took place in the City of Buffalo, New York, where he was engaged in the successful practice of his profession for a period of ten years. Soon after his father's death Mr. Johnston returned to his native county and assumed the active management of the old home farm, so that his loved mother might be relieved of undue responsibility in this connection. For a time he gave special attention to the breeding and raising of high grade draft horses, as had his father, and the affairs of the farm continued to engross his time and attention until he was elected representative of his home county in the Lower House of the Ohio Legislature, in 1918. He served with characteristic loyalty and ability through the sessions of 1919 and 1920, and was specially active as a member of the committee on agriculture. In the election of 1920 he was defeated, as candidate on the democratic ticket, but in 1922 he was again victorious at the polls. In his first term the two Houses of the Legislature were strongly republican, though the chief executive of the State Government, Governor Cox, was a democrat, he having been democratic nominee for the presidency of the United States in 1920. Mr. Johnston is a stalwart democrat, and the Ohio Legislature for his present term is republican, the while the governor and lieutenant-governor are democrats. In the session of 1923 Mr. Johnston was one of only two democrats on the finance committee of the House of Representatives, and he has made in the Legislature a record of loyal and efficient service of constructive order. The wife of Mr. Johnston died in 1919, and was not survived by children. Her maiden name was Harriet Kingsborough, and she was born and reared in Richland County. The venerable and devoted mother of Mr. Johnston con-

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tinues as the gracious chatelaine of the home, and her son Minor K., of this review, still has general supervision of the old home farm. Of her other children it is to be recorded that E. E. is a resident of Buffalo, New York, where he is prominently identified with the commission business and banking enterprise, besides being identified with coal mining operations; Lottie is the wife of A. M. Trego, of Riverton, Wyoming; and Edward R. is engaged in the live stock commission business at Indianapolis, Indiana.

CHARLES B. TINGLEY has shown much discrimination and enterprise in connection with the development of the old homestead place on which he was born and which he has made the stage of successful fruit growing and nursery enterprise. This fine farm estate is situated near Mansfield, metropolis of Richland County, and the land was obtained in a direct way from the State of Ohio by Mr. Tingley's grandfather, William H. Tingley, who came from Trenton, New Jersey, to Richland County, Ohio, about the year 1836, and who has developed the farm property of which the homestead of Charles B. Tingley is a part. William H. Tingley was a skilled blacksmith, and on his farm operated a blacksmith and repair shop in which he did work for his neighbors, besides having frequently been called upon to shoe horses for the Indians, who were still in evidence in this part of the state. A portion of his landed estate is now included in the Richland County Reformatory farm. William H. Tingley, one of the honored pioneers who did well his part in advancing the civic and industrial development of Richland County, was seventy-five years of age at the time of his death. His son Thomas, father of him whose name introduces this review, passed his entire life in Richland County, and remained on the old home farm until his death, at the venerable age of eighty-four years. He was modest and unassuming, never desirous of political activity or public office, and he lived a sane, calm life of utmost worthiness, secure in the confidence and high regard of all who knew him. He married Miss Mary Hershiser, who was born in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, and who was a child at the time of her parents' coming to Ohio, the overland journey, in 1845, having been made with a four-horse team and a Conestoga wagon. Her father, Jacob Hershiser, settled on a farm near Shelby, where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lifes. Mrs. Tingley passed away at the age of seventy years, and her memory is revered by all who came within the compass of her gracious influence.

On his present homestead farm Charles B. Tingley was born March 19, 1855, here he was reared to manhood, and here he has continuously found ample opportunity for productive activity. His early education was obtained in the public schools of his native county. For forty years he has conducted a nursery industry and been a successful fruit grower, and along these lines he has made the old home farm the center of an important productive enterprise that has its part in furthering the prestige of Richland County. He is a stalwart republican, as was his father, and his paternal grandfather was one of the early adherents of this political party. Mr. Tingley is a man of liberal views, keeps in touch with the questions and issues of the day, and is an appreciative student and reader. He attends and gives liberal support to the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which his wife is an active member. Their pleasant home, two miles north of Mansfield, on the Olivesburg Road, is known for its unostentatious hospitality.

Mrs. Laura (Doty) Tingley, the first wife of Mr. Tingley, died after their companionship had covered a period of thirty years, and she is survived by six children. For his second wife Mr. Tingley wedded Miss Olive Dillon, no children having been born of this union.

OSCAR S. COX, M. D. One of the very prominent men in the medical profession of Southern Ohio for many years has been Dr. Oscar S. Cox of McArthur, Vinton County. He has an extensive general practice, has served the public in many capacities, being for two years examiner for the Ohio Industrial Commission, is a specialist in the treatment of epilepsy, and has kept this individual experience constantly in touch with the advancing progress in medical knowledge and discovery. As late as 1919 he did extension work at the State University.

Doctor Cox was born on his father's farm six miles west of McArthur, at Sheldon, December 20, 1865. He is of old Revolutionary stock, one of his ancestors having been a drummer in the American army under General Washington. A son of this Revolutionary patriot was Thomas Cox, who had the distinction of being born on the 4th of July, 1776. He was a native of Virginia and spent the greater part of his life in that state. His son, James G. Cox, father of Doctor Cox, was born and reared in Ohio, and married a member of the Graves family. They came as pioneers to Ohio, first settling in Vinton County. The land they took up was given them by patent signed by President Polk. Thomas Cox spent the rest of his life on that farm, and died at the venerable age of ninety-three years, while his wife passed away at eighty-five. They were prominent members of the Christian Church.

Their son, James G. Cox, was born in Ross County, Ohio, in 1832, and spent most of his life on the old homestead in Vinton County, where he died in 1889. On the old Cox farm was erected the first Christian Church in Richland Township. James G. Cox was an elder of the church for many years. He was a democrat in politics. Mr. Cox married Nancy Graves, who was born in Vinton County in 1841, and died January 30, 1902. Her parents were Thomas and Tacit (Darby) Graves, the former a native of North Carolina and the latter of Virginia. The six children of the marriage of James G. Cox and Nancy Graves were: Thomas S., an extensive farmer and stock raiser of Vinton County; L. Seneca, who was formerly a teacher and is now a farmer; Sanford, a deaf mute who died in 1920; Dr. O. S.; Hon. M. S. Cox, who represented Vinton County in the Legislature and is the superintendent of schools of the county; and Martha M., who died December 10, 1903, at the age of twenty-four.

Oscar S. Cox was reared on a farm, attended district schools, the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and for several years was a successful teacher. Later he entered Starling Medical College, now the medical department of the Ohio State University at Columbus, and was graduated with the class of 1892. After graduating he practiced for a time at Chillicothe, Ohio, and eighteen months later returned to the Hanging Rock district and subsequently established his home at McArthur. In addition to his private practice he is medical examiner for a number of insurance companies and for several years was a member of the United States Pension Examiner's Board in Vinton County. He was a member of the local draft board during the World war and asked for active service in the Medical Corps. Doctor Cox had as early preceptors in medical studies Dr. D. V. Rannells and Dr. E. S. Ray. For three years after the World war he was medical examiner for the United States Veterans' Bureau.

On June 1, 1920, he married Miss Cora E. Wyman, daughter of Rufus H. and Margaret (White) Wyman. She was formerly a teacher at the Vinton County Children's Home and is an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was born and reared in Vinton County. Her father was a manufacturer of monuments, and died August 25, 1920, at the age of sixty-two, while her mother passed away December 29, 1920, aged sixty-four.

Doctor Cox is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Eastern Star, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, belongs to the State Grange, the Farm Bureau, and is prominent in the church of his ancestors, the Christian denomination, carrying responsibilities in the Sunday School and is county chairman of the church organization. He is also county chairman of the democratic party. Doctor Cox is president of the Cox Brothers Oil & Gas Company.

DANIEL RICHARD CRISSINGER had made more than a local reputation through his connections with banking and business in Marion County before the late President Harding called him to the post of comptroller of the currency at Washington.

Mr. Crissinger was born in Tully Township, Marion County, Ohio, December 10, 1860, son of John and Margaret (Ganshorn) Crissinger. His father was born in Scott Township, Marion County, Ohio, April 26, 1837, and for many years was in the grocery business, also had extended lumber and farming interests at Caledonia, Ohio. He married, November 22, 1859, Margaret Ganshorn, who was born in Germany, December 22, 1836, and was a child when her parents came to the United States and settled in Marion County in 1846.

Daniel Richard Crissinger was educated in public schools, attending high school at Caledonia, and graduated with honors and the Bachelor of Science degree from Buchtel College at Akron in 1885. He received his Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of Cincinnati in 1886, having in the meantime read law at Marion with Judge W. Z. Davis, and after graduating was made a partner in practice with Judge Davis. Mr. Crissinger has been a member of the Marion bar since 1886. He served two terms as prosecuting attorney, being elected in 1888 and reelected in 1891. He was elected city solicitor of Marion in 1893, 1895 and 1897. He was a member of the law firm of Wolford & Crissinger from 1897 to 1900, and in 1900 formed a partnership with Fred E. Guthrey, the firm's title in 1914 becoming Crissinger, Guthrey & Strelitz.

Mr. Crissinger for twenty-two years was general counsel for the Marion Steam Shovel Company, was one of the organizers of the Marion Telephone Company, and also helped organize the National Bank & Trust Company, serving as its president until he went to Washington. He is also owner of a large amount of land and raises fine stock.

Mr. Crissinger took the post of comptroller of the currency March 15, 1921. He had been a friend as well as a fellow townsman of the late Warren Harding for many years, though at one time they were in opposite political parties. In 1904 Mr. Crissinger was democratic nominee for Congress and again in 1906. Mr. Crissinger has been active in educational affairs in Marion. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a republican. Mr. Crissinger married in 1888 Ella F. Scranton, of Concord, Michigan.

GEN. CHARLES E. SAWYER, M. D., who was the personal physician to the late President Harding, and his former chief of the Veterans' Bureau, has been prominent in his profession in Marion County for over forty years.

He was born at Nevada, Ohio, January 24, 1860, son of Alonzo and Harriet M. (Rogers) Sawyer. His father was born in New York State and his mother in Connecticut. General Sawyer attended public schools at Nevada, and was graduated from the Homeopathic Hospital College, now the Ohio State Homeopathic Medical College of the State University, in 1881. He practiced medicine at La Rue from 1881 to 1893, and in 1890 established the Sawyer Sanatorium, which in 1893 he moved to Marion, where it took the name of Dr. C. E. Sawyer Sanatorium, and later the Sawyer Sanatorium, of which he became president and general manager. This sanatorium is located on the White Oak Farm, near Marion, and is a wonderfully beautiful place, being an ideal place for an institution of that kind. Doctor Sawyer is also vice president of the Marion National Bank, and a director of the Cleveland-Pulte Medical College. He was a director of the Masonic Temple Company at Marion. Doctor Sawyer originated a bill, passed by the Ohio Legislature in 1906, creating the home for crippled and deformed children.

On March 12, 1921, he was commissioned brigadier-general in the Medical Reserve Corps and called to active duty the same day as physician to the president. He is a trustee of the American Institute of Homeopathy, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, member of the Ohio State Homeopathic Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Association. He is a Lutheran, and former president of the Marion Commercial Club.

Doctor Sawyer married, August 11, 1879, Miss May E. Barron, of Nevada, Ohio, daughter of Rev. J. H. and Abbey J. (Walker) Barron. They have one son, Dr. J. W. Sawyer.

MAHLON GEBHART has been a qualified member of the Ohio bar for over twenty years, and is a farmer and practicing attorney, with home at Miamisburg in Montgomery County.

Mr. Gebhart was educated in public schools, in Antioch College at Yellow Springs, in Wooster University, in Western Reserve University and in the Cincinnati Law School. He was admitted to practice in 1903.

He was elected and served as a member of the Seventy-eighth and Seventy-ninth General assemblies of Ohio, being chairman of the Judiciary Committee in the Seventy-ninth Assembly. In the Seventy-eighth Assembly he made the nominating speech presenting the name of James E. Campbell for United States Senator, and he also made the nominating speech in the Seventy-ninth Assembly presenting the name of Edward W. Hanley for United States Senator and democratic caucus. Mr. Gebhart is city attorney for Miamisburg. In politics he has always been a consistent democrat.

MRS. EMILY G. DOBYNS MCCLURE. One of the finest properties in the Town of Proctorville, Lawrence County, is the old Dobyns' homestead, now occupied as a residence by Mrs. McClure. She and her brother look after the farm.

Her father, William Rees Dobyns, a native of Maysville, Kentucky, where he was reared and acquired his early education, subsequently graduating from Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, was a man of much wealth and wide business interests. He was one of the trustees of the James S. Armstrong estate in Cincinnati, and for a number of years he went to Cincinnati, looking after the business of the estate three days each week and the rest of the time operated the farm at Proctorville. This is a truck

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garden farm for the most part, and there is also an apple orchard and some live stock.

The father of William R. Dobyns was Richard Graham Dobyns, a noted physician of Maysville, Kentucky. He married Emily Armstrong, a daughter of John Armstrong. John Armstrong was one of three brothers who came from Ireland and became prominent in Kentucky and West Virginia. The wife of William Rees Dobyns was a Miss Littlejohn, daughter of George Washington Littlejohn, of Scotch ancestry. William R. Dobyns was a nephew of the James S. Armstrong whose estate was one of the large ones in Cincinnati.

William Rees Dobyns had four children: Myrtilla Littlejohn, Emily G., Elizabeth, now deceased, and James Armstrong Dobyns, who is unmarried and is the active manager of the Dobyns' farm at Proctorville. He is a member of the Masonic Order and the Elks. The daughter Myrtilla married Charles Beckett, a resident of Huntington, West Virginia. Her first husband was Albert Rees Cunningham, and by that union she had a son, Albert J.

Emily G. Dobyns was married March 31, 1919, in New York City, to Mr. Lawrence L. McClure. Mr. McClure is a lawyer at Huntington, West Virginia, is a graduate of Amherst College and of the Law School of West Virginia University at Morgantown. Lawrence L. McClure is a son of T. B. McClure, a professor of English in West Virginia University. T. B. McClure married Alice Burgess.

WILLIAM S. HARRIS, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Portsmouth, has some interesting relations with prominent Ohio people, his grandfather having been one of the pioneer manufacturers of the Mahoning Valley and his maternal grandfather is closely identified with the early history of the Hanging Rock Iron Region.

His paternal grandfather was William E. Harris, a native of England, where he learned the iron business. About 1836 he came to this country, and became general manager of the Granite Iron & Tin Plate Company of St. Louis. Later he erected the plant and was general manager of the Falcon Iron & Tin Plate Company of Niles, Ohio. He knew something of the process of manufacturing tin plate, a process which had been successfully worked out in England and was kept a secret by the industrial owners of that country. William E. Harris went back to England, and after much trouble secured sufficient data so that he was able to introduce tin plate manufacture in the United States. While in England, his mission being perfected, he was ejected from many of the tin plants where he was seeking information. William E. Harris married Emma Stewart, of Portsmouth, Ohio. Her father was Hugh Stewart, one of the original owners of much of the property where the City of Portsmouth now is. Mrs. William E. Harris is still living at Portsmouth, and owns some of the valuable property once belonging to her father. Hugh Stewart married Betsie Duncan, of old Virginia. William E. Harris during his residence at Niles became a warm personal friend of William McKinley of that city, afterwards Governor of Ohio and President of the United States.

Frank G. Harris, son of William E., was born at Portsmouth, Ohio, and during all his active career was associated with his father in the manufacture of tin plate. Frank G. Harris married Opal DePendre, a native of France.

William S. Harris was born at St. Louis, Missouri, November 25, 1887, but in his infancy his parents returned to Ohio, and he grew up and received his early education at Niles. He graduated from the high school there in 1906, and then went to work, his early experience being in the newspaper business. Mr. Harris in 1909 spent a summer term in the University of Wisconsin, taking special work in commerce and political science. After graduating from high school he spent two years on the staff of the Niles Daily News, 1907-08, during 1909 was connected with the Cambridge Springs Newspaper, during 1910 was with the Meadville Messenger in Pennsylvania, and then took charge of the Morning Democrat at Ridgway, Pennsylvania, for J. K. P. Hall, United States Senator of Pennsylvania. Returning to Ohio, he managed the noted old paper at Youngstown, the Vindicator, for four years, and for a short time was connected with the Cleveland Plain Dealer. He was next with the Detroit Free Press at Detroit.

Since leaving Detroit he has lived at Portsmouth, where he makes his home with his Grandmother Harris. He soon became identified as secretary with the Portsmouth Board of Trade and the Business Men's Association, and he handled all the work of these organizations during the World war, and additionally was secretary of the Draft Board and a member of all the committees for raising funds and prosecuting other war measures. In 1909 a merger of business men's organizations was affected, the Board of Trade and Business Men's Association uniting as the Chamber of Commerce, and also taking in the West End Improvement Club. Since then Mr. Harris has been secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. This Chamber in proportion to the size of the community it represents is the largest in the state, having an active membership of over fifteen hundred.

January 15, 1918, in Cincinnati, Mr. Harris married Miss Faye Darr, daughter of John Darr, a native of Indiana and a druggist. Mr. and Mrs. Harris are members of the First Presbyterian Church. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Rotary Club.

E. LEONARD PERCIVAL is one of the progressive young business men of the City of Youngstown, where he is not only district manager for the representative Cleveland mortgage and loan firm of S. Ulmer & Sons, but also director of the Valley Cities Brick Company, and president of each the Ohio Motor Underwriters Company and the Allied Motor Mutual Insurance Company.

Mr. Percival was born at New Castle, Pennsylvania, June 6, 1888, and is a son of Enoch and Sarah (Whitehead) Percival. The father was born in England and has been a resident of Youngstown, Ohio, since 1901. He was formerly employed in steel plants in this city, but is now living virtually retired, both he and his wife being active communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

In the public schools of Pennsylvania the early discipline of E. Leonard Percival included that of the high school, and at the age of sixteen years he entered clerical service in Youngstown, Ohio, where he became associated with the General Fireproofing Company, with which corporation he continued to be allied until 1919 and with which he won advancement to the position of manager of the order and billing department. He then turned his attention to the investment business, and in 1920 he assumed his present important executive position, that of district manager for the firm of S. Ulmer & Sons in the Youngstown district.

Mr. Percival is found staunchly aligned in the ranks of the republican party, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, in which he is now (1924) serving as worshipful master of Hillman Lodge No. 481, Free and Accepted Masons, besides which he is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member also of the Protected Home Circle and the local Rotary Club. He and his wife are zealous

communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in their home city, he being a member of the vestry and a teacher in its Sunday school.

In the year 1910 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Percival and Miss J. May McMaster, daughter of Robert McMaster, of Youngstown, and the two children of this union are Wesley Leonard and Jane May.

EDWARD YOUNG, who is associated with his son, Arthur F. Young, in the firm Young & Young, real estate and insurance at Portsmouth, has been a man of industry and commendable integrity in that community for many years, and is a native of the city where he is now doing business.

He was born at Portsmouth, March 12, 1875, son of Berry and Josephine (Sturgeon) Young. His parents are both living. His father was a soldier in the Civil war, and spent his active career as a farmer. He has passed the last few years of his life in the Old Soldiers' Home. Edward Young was the third in a family of four sons and two daughters.

As a boy he attended the district schools of Scioto County, and at the age of fifteen went to work in a factory making spokes for wheels. His longest period of work was with the Shelby Shoe factory. He became a cutter, and was in the shoe business for about twenty years. On leaving the Selby Company, Mr. Young went with the Whitaker-Glessner Steel Company as a foreman in the local plant at Portsmouth. Two years later, after the World war, in 1919, Mr. Young, who had previously become interested in real estate, took up that as a regular business, and he and his son Arthur, who had just been released from war service, established the firm of Young & Young. They are one of the leading organizations handling real estate and insurance in Scioto County.

Edward Young is a member of the First Christian Church. He married at Portsmouth Miss Albina Storer, daughter of Victor and Maria (Williams) Storer. Their five children are: Arthur, Helen, Elmer, Edward and Charles.

Arthur F. Young was born at Portsmouth, May 29, 1897. He attended the public schools, graduating from high school in 1915, and since then has been earning his own way. On March 4, 1918, before reaching his twenty-first birthday, he volunteered and, going to Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, had five months of training in the Photography Air Service of the army. This was followed by additional training of four months at Garden City, Long Island, and from there he went overseas and was on duty abroad until after the armistice.

Arthur Young married in August, 1919, at Portsmouth, Adalene M. Bodner, daughter of Fred and Louisa (Laublen) Bodner. Her father is still living, a paint contractor. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Young have two children, Arthur F., Jr., and Walter Lee. They are members of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, and he is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, an Elk, a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the American Legion.

OMER LA VELLE KNECHTTY. The art of healing, exemplified in various schools and systems of medical science that have contributed in their different ways to the alleviation of the ills of humanity, has made marvelous progress within the past few years, and judging by its practical results, great credit must be accorded to that method now widely known as Chiropractic. Its educated and highly skilled practitioners are found all over the world, for the bentfits of this system have been so apparent to intelligent people that more and more it has supplanted older systems. A leading professional man of Portsmouth, Ohio, who is a prominent exponent of Chiropractic, is Dr. Omer La Velle Knechtty, who has been professionally established here for some years.

Doctor Knechtty was born at Seamon, Adams County, Ohio, September 3, 1883, a son of Eli and Emma (La Velle) Knechtty, of German-Swiss extraction on the paternal and of French on the maternal side. His paternal grandfather, Ulrich Knechtty, came in early life from Central Europe to the United States, locating first in Pennsylvania, moving later to Indiana and finally settling permanently in Ohio. The doctor's maternal grandfather was educated in France for the Catholic priesthood, in all probability to please his family, for subsequently he turned his mind to other interests, came to America and afterward lived a happy and contended life in Indiana and Ohio.

Eli Knechtty, who is one of the representative citizens and substantial men of Seaman, Ohio, was like his wife, born in this state, and her death occurred here. He has been an extensive farmer and stockman, and has also been a large grower and handler of tobacco. He was one of the organizers of the Bank of Seaman, of which he is yet a director, is active in all public matters and is a member of the Board of Trustees of the United Presbyterian Church.

Had Doctor Knechtty not chosen a professional career, he might easily have become prominent along other lines, for his ability and energy have been abundantly manifested in different directions. In the first place, he received excellent educational training, first in the public schools of Olive Township, near his father's farm, then in the West Union Normal School, and this was supplemented by a full commercial course in Nelson's Business College at Cincinnati, which course he completed in 1903. With a natural leaning toward mechanics, he then turned his attention to machinery, entered the only automobile plant then in Cincinnati, and proved so adept that he became the firm's head mechanic. From boyhood, however, he had cherished the ambition to enter the medical profession, and with that end in view he entered upon its study, and after devoting two years to preparatory work at Muskingum College was about ready to enter the Cincinnati Medical College, when an opportunity arose that in a business way he believed it would be lacking in judgment to fail to take advantage thereof. Here was another development of unsuspected talent, and during the next year he successfully engaged in building and contracting.

In 1912 Mr. Knechtty settled the matter as to his professional future, entering the Chiropractic College at Davenport, Iowa, from which he was graduated on March 4, 1914. For eighteen months he engaged in practice at Seaman, then spent one year professionally at Aurora, Nebraska, moving then to Spanish Fork, Utah, where he remained eighteen months and then, in search of a wilder field of effort and usefulness, came to Portsmouth, Ohio. Owing to a certain Government ruling during the World war against Chiropractic, he temporarily closed his office, but resumed active practice as soon as the war was over. During the interval he worked as a machinist in the Whitaker Steel Works.

On April 26, 1917, Doctor Knechtty married Miss Hazel Meldrum, who is a daughter of Alexander and Alice (Rogers) Meldrum, the latter of whom is a native of California. The father of Mrs. Knechtty was born in New York, and for years before retiring from active life, was a prominent railroad contractor. She was educated also at Davenport, Iowa, and was graduated from the Chiropractic College with her

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degree on August 27, 1914, and is associated with her husband in practice. In both professional and social life they are held in the highest esteem. Dr. Omer Knechtty is a Knight Templar Mason and a Shriner.

Russell G. Henley, who resides in the City of Portsmouth and holds the position of master mechanic with the Norfolk & Western Railroad, reverts to the historic old Dominion State as the place of his nativity, and is a scion of families there established in the Colonial period of our national history. In Virginia were born all of his grandparents, R. Y. and Mary (McGruder) Henley, and Bernard and Dorothy (Bagby) Walker.

Mr. Henley was born at Walkerton, King and Queen County, Virginia, May 17, 1884, and is a son of Dr. R. Y. and Dora Dean (Walker) Henley, both of whom passed their entire lives in Virginia and both of whom were devout communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Doctor Henley was for a term of years established in the practice of dentistry in the City of Richmond, Virginia, and was a citizen of no minor prominence and influence. Of the six children four are living at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1923.

The earlier education of Russell G. Henley was obtained in the public schools of Virginia, and in 1900 he was graduated from the high school at Lexington, Kentucky. Thereafter he applied himself effectively to a course of study in the great International Correspondence schools at Scranton, Pennsylvania, and also in the Mechanical Institute at Richmond, Virginia. He next served a four years' special apprenticeship in the plant of the Richmond Locomotive Works, with which he thereafter continued one year as a skilled mechanic. He then took a position as machinist in the shops of the Norfolk & Western Railroad at Bluefield, West Virginia, where he was shortly afterward made assistant foreman of the roundhouse in 1908. Later he was made a general foreman, and in this capacity his work called him to various places on the line of this railway system. Since 1918 he has maintained his residence and official headquarters at Portsmouth, where are established the principal shops of the railroad company outside of those at Roanoke, Virginia. Mr. Henley is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he and his wife hold membership in the Christian Church.

In June, 1915, at Gary, West Virginia, was recorded the marriage of Mr. Henley and Miss Ann Walden, daughter of William Ward Walden, a mine inspector who was born in Virginia, as was also his wife, whose family name was Hoolt. Mr. and Mrs. Henley have one son, Russell G., Jr.

Ernest W. Krahl. One of the leading industries of the City of Ironton is the C. Hutchins Company, wholesale cigar manufacturers. The vice president and manager of this business is Ernest W. Krahl, who learned the cigar making trade as a boy in Pittsburgh, and is prominent in tobacco circles over the Middle West.

Mr. Krahl was born at Pittsburgh, March 21, 1869, son of Henry and Mary (Frey) Krahl, now deceased. All his grandparents were born in Germany, his paternal grandfather being John Krahl, who came to America when his son Henry was seventeen years of age. His maternal grandparents were George and Margaret (Fischer) Frey. Mary Frey was born in Virginia, and was reared in that state and from there moved to Gallipolis, Ohio. Henry Krahl was a carpenter and builder, and a native of Pennsylvania, where he spent his active life. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of United Workmen and a Lutheran.

Ernest W. Krahl grew up at Pittsburgh, attending the public schools to the age of fifteen, and then began his apprenticeship in a cigar factory. For three years he was with the United American Tobacco Company and for fourteen years was manager for the Stewart Company. While in Pittsburgh he formed his first connections with the Hutchins Company, and about six years ago he came to Ironton, Ohio. The Hutchins Company began business in 1865 at Marietta, Ohio. Its founder was C. Hutchins. Subsequently a factory was opened at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and finally the headquarters of the business were transferred to Ironton. C. Hutchins' Cigar Company was incorporated in 1917, with Mr. Krahl as one of the incorporators and vice president and manager of the business. The president is D. C. Pape. The daily output of this factory is 20,000 cigars.

Mr. Krahl in June, 1899, at Pittsburgh, married Miss Bertha Weise, daughter of F. G. and Matilda (Benser) Weise. Her parents were born in Germany. Her father was in the furniture business at Pittsburgh, and the family are Lutherans. Mrs. Krahl is next to the youngest of four daughters, the others being Tilla, Ida and Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Krahl are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, being a standard bearer of the Knights Templar Commandery and high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter.

Charles Stephen McVay, superintendent of city schools of New Philadelphia, is a veteran Ohio educator, having devoted more than a third of a century to teaching and school administration. He is widely and favorably known in educational circles over the state.

Mr. McVay was born on a farm in Monroe County, Ohio, February 15, 1872, son of Jacob and Lucinda Tahmer (Hogue) McVay, both natives of Monroe County, where his father was born February 12, 1846, and his mother, August 14, 1848. She is still living, a resident of Caldwell, Ohio. Jacob McVay was himself a teacher in the country schools of his native county, for twenty-six years, and also spent many years at farming. At the age of eighteen he volunteered in the Union Army, serving in the Civil war to the end of that struggle. He kept his home on the farm until his two sons and five daughters had grown up and gone out into the world, after which he established a residence in Caldwell, Noble County. He was always active in republican politics, serving several years as justice of the peace in Franklin Township of Monroe County and clerk of the County Board of Elections. At Caldwell he was serving as mayor when he suddenly died September 30, 1913. He was found dead at his office, with his morning newspaper spread out before him, his docket open, and with eye-glasses on and chain in hand, having passed to the great beyond without a struggle. He and his wife were long consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and reared their family in the same faith.

Charles Stephen McVay had a thorough apprenticeship at the toil and discipline of an Ohio farm during his youth. He attended the rural schools, also the village schools at the nearby town of Stafford, and at the age of sixteen secured a teacher's license. While teaching he attended summer school, and has kept himself in touch with all progress in educational affairs. While teaching in the country he attended the summer normal schools, and in 1908 entered Ohio Northern University, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Pedagogy degree in 1910 and in 1912

received the degree Bachelor of Science of Education. He also pursued post-graduate work during the summers of 1913 and 1916 in Columbia University, New York. Mr. McVay in 1909 after examination was granted an Ohio school life certificate, and in 1916 a high school life certificate.

His teaching experience included eight years in the rural schools. Following that for four years he was principal of schools at Stafford, the village in which he himself had been a student years before. Then for a number of years he was connected with the schools at Woodsfield, Ohio, teaching two years in the grammar department, two years as principal of high school and four years as superintendent of the schools. At Bellaire, Ohio, Mr. McVay was head of the department of science in the high school two years, principal of the high school five years, and for three years superintendent of the city schools, giving him a record of ten years in that city. For four years he was superintendent of schools at Ambridge, Pennsylvania, resigning that position to return to Ohio and take the position of superintendent of schools at New Philadelphia, where he is serving his third year. He has been in educational work more than thirty-six years, and is a well known member of the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association, Ohio State Teachers' Association, National Educational Association and National Superintendents Association.

Mr. McVay is associated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce in New Philadelphia, and for many years has been identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Official Board of the church at New Philadelphia, and president of the Men's Bible Class. He is president of the City Library Board and in politics is a republican. Mr. McVay married in 1903 Miss Maude Hughes, of Stafford, Ohio. They have two daughters, Georgia and Marion.

Mrs. Mary Minerva Thompson Hughes. The City of Oxford and particularly the Oxford College for Women have long regarded Mary Minerva Thompson Hughes as a benefactor in the truest sense, and one of Ohio's splendid woman characters.

She was born near Springfield, Massachusetts, but was brought to Oxford, Ohio, by her parents while she was in infancy, and Oxford has been her home ever since. Her father, Benjamin Harrison Thompson, traced his ancestry to the celebrated Mudge family of the sixteenth century, and it is noteworthy that President Grover Cleveland traced his ancestry back to the same source. Benjamin Harrison Thompson married Hannah Wilkinson, who came from England. Both these parents are now deceased.

Mrs. Hughes was educated in Miami University and at Oxford College for Women, graduating from the latter school with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1902. For five years she was a teacher in the public schools of her home city.

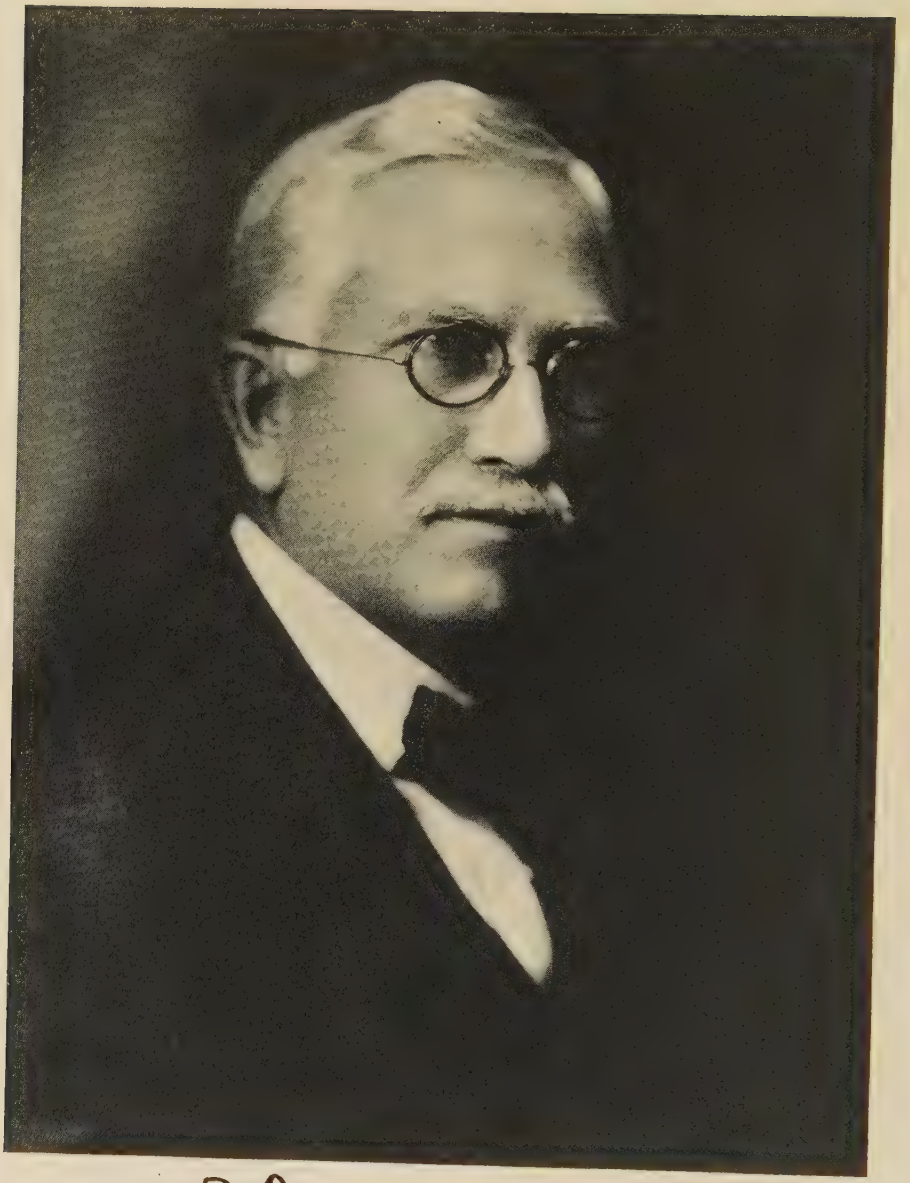
Much of her work has been done through the alumni organization of Oxford College for Women. This college was founded by Rev. John W. Scott, Doctor of Divinity. His daughter, Caroline, became the wife of President Benjamin Harrison, their marriage having been celebrated in Oxford. Mrs. Benjamin Harrison was the first national regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution and one of the eminent women of her state and nation.

Mrs. Hughes originated the idea of getting the Daughters of the American Revolution to raise $100,000 to erect a fitting memorial at Oxford College for Women to Caroline Scott Harrison. At the state meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution at London, Ohio, Mrs. Hughes presented the idea through an effectively worded circular which recalled the fact of Mrs. Harrison's connection with the Daughters and also with Oxford College, where she was educated. The convention received Mrs. Hughes' proposal with great enthusiasm, and the year that the State Association met at Cincinnati the Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial Association was organized to carry out the purposes advanced by Mrs. Hughes. Moreover, in recognition of her prominent part in launching the proposition, on the motion of Mrs. Joseph Benson Foraker, wife of the late United States Senator Foraker, Mrs. Hughes was elected the first president of this association.

Mrs. Hughes also organized the Caroline Scott Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at Oxford, and she secured a gift to Oxford College from the Daughters of the American Revolution of enough furniture to furnish a sixty-room dormitory. Mrs. Hughes is a member of the Caroline Scott Chapter of the Daughters, also the Association of University Women, and in the past has served as secretary of the woman's club and for five years played the pipe organ in the Methodist Episcopal Church. She was also an officer of the Federation of Woman's Clubs, and one of the first organizers of this federation in Ohio. She is a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

During recent years Mrs. Hughes has devoted much of her time and energy to private business. A very practical hobby of hers is the buying up of property that has greatly deteriorated and remodeling and improving it. In this way she bought the Green Tree Inn property, remodeled it, and is its proprietress. She bought the house of George W. Kelly and opened a modern tea room, making four additions to the building. This is the home in which President Benjamin Harrison roomed while attending Miami University at Oxford. She also bought the old Girard House, which was more than 100 years old, and has completely remodeled it and made it into a modern tea room for students. She calls this property the Spinning Wheel. This building was at one time used temporarily as one of the buildings of Oxford College.

Alexander Martin Glockner was born on the 6th of April, 1866, at Portsmouth, Ohio, and is the son of Bernard and Magdalene (Beck) Glockner. Both father and mother are now deceased, after many years of useful and reputable lives. The father came from Germany in 1847, and the mother from the same country six years later. Both were from prominent Germanic ancestry. The next year after the arrival of Magdalene in this country, or in 1854, her marriage to Bernard Glockner occurred. During his early career here the father worked at various pursuits, really at whatever promised the highest reward. But in 1872 he entered permanently into the hardware business, and soon was doing a profitable and prosperous transaction. His death occurred on October 27, 1876, and afterward the store was conducted by his widow under the name of the Mrs. M. Glockner Hardware Store. This she conducted with the assistance of her children until October 22, 1891, when she also passed away. Both made the business a success and both built up an enviable reputation for sound citizenship. When she died her son Alexander bought out the store. For many years he had worked at that pursuit and was familiar with all the details of retail management and the hardware trade. His father and mother were unwavering members of the Catholic Church, in which both held, as the years passed by, positions of trust and responsibility and were highly regarded



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by their Catholic fathers. So far as known their ancestors were of Germanic origin, the greater number of them living in Baden, or in that part of the former empire.

Alexander M. Glockner was educated in the public schools of Portsmouth, but was forced to end his school career owing to the demand for his services in the store of his mother and owing to the necessity of his taking up his own affairs at once. While his father lived young Alexander had worked in the hardware store, but as he did not like that occupation he had learned the moulder's trade and followed it successfully for five years and laid up considerable money. At the end of the five years he resumed the old hardware business, and, in reality, it was him who conducted the store and business after the death of his father, while his mother's name was at the head of the concern. After his mother's death in 1891 he purchased the store, as before stated, and has ever since conducted the project under his own name. It is now clear that he has built up one of the largest and most promising hardware establishments in the county, and at the same time has secured a reputation far ahead of the average business man. He has steadily enlarged his field of operations, adding this and that department until his trade is varied as well as profitable. He has on hand a large assortment of sporting goods of almost every description, and is himself in reality a genuine sportsman, as shown by his gun and his fishing rod and his high bred hounds and setters. At the same time he is one of the largest and most successful sellers of automobiles in the county, with a large garage and a complete and very active repair shop. He is a director in the Royal Building & Loan Company and in the Washington Hotel Company, and is one of the foremost residents of the city in civic, commercial and municipal affairs and activities.

On the 9th of February, 1893, at Portsmouth, he married Miss Adaline, daughter of Joseph and Adaline (Voch) Lange. Both of her parents are deceased and both were natives of Germany, where they grew to maturity and finally came to the United States, hoping to better their condition and surroundings. Upon their arrival in this country they came West to Ohio and finally located in Scioto County, where the father found employment in the Gaylord Steel Mills, where he revealed his capacity for expert mechanical work and designing. There he remained for a considerable time, but also worked at other pursuits. To Alexander and Adaline Glockner the following children were born: Edward, Helen, Louise and Anna. All the children were given as good educations as the local schools could muster, which is saying a good deal. Edward married Miss Helen Folts, and they have two children, Edward and Leo. Edward Glockner served with high credit in the World war, and came home with a reputation that will never diminish nor disappear. Alexander Glockner is a member of the Knights of Columbus, of St. Marys Catholic Church and of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce. He is a conspicuous citizen and a competent business manager.

Willis T. Minick was born in Crawford County nearly four score years ago. His has been a life of effective purpose and energy, with many good works to his credit. For several years his home has been in the City of Bucyrus.

He was born in Holmes Township, December 23, 1844, son of Thomas and Ann (Smith) Minick. His father was born in Virginia in 1795 and his mother, near Emmettsburg, Maryland, in 1803. They were married in Pennsylvania, where they lived for several years, and in 1838 came West in a covered wagon to Crawford County, Ohio. Thomas Minick bought eighty acres of land in Holmes Township, cleared it and developed a farm, and remained a member of that community the rest of his years. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and in politics voted as a democrat until 1856, at which time he allied himself with the newly formed republican party.

Willis T. Minick, the only survivor of a family of eight children, grew up on the old homestead in Holmes Township, and learned his lessons in the common schools. At the age of nineteen he moved to Bucyrus, where he completed a course in the high school, and for six years he was one of the popular teachers of the county. He married in 1868, and then bought the old farm from his parents, and continued there engaged in the profitable labors of a general farmer until 1895. In that year he removed to Bucyrus, and for four years was in the creamery business. He also clerked in a hardware store for seven years.

Mr. Minick in 1868 married Miss Mercia Albright, daughter of Joseph Albright. She died in 1904. The only son, Orris H. Minick, was well educated, and married a daughter of Joseph Burnett. Their daughter, Ora Minick, became the wife of Howard Helrick, and the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Helrick are great-grandchildren of Mr. Minick.

Elliott D. Moore, M. D. In his service of thirty-six years in the medical profession, Doctor Moore has divided between two communities, his native Harrison County and Tuscarawas County, and along with his professional service he has given fully of his time, energy and means to the promotion of worthy causes, formerly being active in politics in Harrison County, and at New Philadelphia has been identified with the progressive element in citizenship.

Doctor Moore was born on a farm near Moorfield, in Harrison County, March 30, 1864, a son of Uriah and Mary (Fulton) Moore. His father was born in Greene County, Pennsylvania, in 1814, and was six years of age when his parents, in 1820, came to Ohio and settled in Harrison County, where he grew up and spent the rest of his life. As a young man he learned the art of making spinning wheels, but most of his years were devoted to farming. His wife, Mary Fulton, was born and reared in Harrison County, her father being a native of Scotland.

The youngest of ten children, Elliott D. Moore grew up on a farm, attended the country schools and then the local normal schools and for four years used his teacher's license in the rural districts of Harrison County. While teaching he took up the study of medicine, and for three years studied under the direction of a local physician at Moorfield. He then entered the Medical Department of Western Reserve University of Cleveland, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1888, at the age of twenty-four. Doctor Moore for seventeen years practiced medicine at Moorefield, and in 1905 removed to New Philadelphia. In this new environment he has achieved a large practice and has attained an enviable standing in the profession. He has served on the medical staff of the Union Hospital at New Philadelphia and Dover, and has been lecturer in the Nurses Training School. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

While in recent years Doctor Moore has been regarded as an independent in politics, he was formerly active in the democratic party, and while in Harrison County, served as a member of the Local Pension Board under appointment from President Cleveland. In 1898 he was nominated as democratic candidate for Congress in the old Sixteenth Congressional District, a republican stronghold. Since removing to New Philadelphia he has been less active

in partisan politics. For four years he was a member of the Board of Education, and during the World war gave much of his time to his duties as a member of the Local Draft Board, and helped in all the various campaigns. He has never withheld support from any deserving public movement. He has proved a staunch friend of education, the church and social welfare efforts. Doctor Moore is a Presbyterian, is a Knights Templar Mason, a Shriner and Knight of Pythias, is a member of the Country Club, and served as the second president of the Rotary Club at New Philadelphia.

He married in 1888 Miss Addie Moore, a member of an unrelated branch of the Moore family in Harrison County, where there are many families of that name. She was born and reared in the county and is likewise a Presbyterian. Doctor and Mrs. Moore have one daughter, Marion, the wife of Eugene Warner, of Canton, Ohio.

Edward J. Knappenberger, who recently retired from office as sheriff of Crawford County, is one of the prominent younger citizens of the county, and has been active in business and politics there for several years.

He was born in Liberty Township, Crawford County, June 20, 1888, son of George and Elizabeth (Layer) Knappenberger. His grandparents, George and Rosena (Bahler) Knappenberger, were born and married in Germany, where one child was born to them, and in 1846 they came to the United States and settled on a farm in Liberty Township of Crawford County. They had eight children: Adam, Rosa, Elizabeth, Kathe, Pauline, May, George and Sarah, five of whom are still living.

George Knappenberger was reared at the old homestead, attended common schools, and after his marriage located on the Knappenberger farm. He became the father of seven children: Jesse, a farmer in Liberty Township; Harvey, who is secretary of a building and loan association at Cleveland; Edna, who died when two years old; Edward J.; Edith, wife of C. C. Doan, of Cleveland; Wilbert, who is a World war veteran, was wounded while overseas, and is now bookkeeper in a brick plant at Fredericksburg, Ohio; and Walter, at home.

Edward J. Knappenberger grew up on the farm, attended the country schools and is a graduate of the Bucyrus High School, and on December 1, 1910, married Miss Grace Leichtenwalter. She was born in Holmes Township of Crawford County, June 9, 1887, daughter of William and Alice (Ramsberger) Leichtenwalter. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Knappenberger located on a farm in Holmes Township and were busily engaged in farming. Since 1908 he has also been an auctioneer, and has cried sales all over this part of the state.

Mr. Knappenberger was elected sheriff of Crawford County in 1918, beginning his first term January 1, 1919. By reelection he served until January 1, 1923. He was for two terms a trustee of Holmes Township, is a democrat, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles and Loyal Order of Moose. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Church. They have two children: Robert E., born November 21, 1918; and Evelyn L., born April 18, 1921.

Martin Wilkinson. Not every man can succeed in the hotel business, for it is one requiring certain characteristics, without which such an enterprise will not flourish. He must understand what the public wants, and how to supply what is needed in the way of food and comfortable lodging.

Martin Wilkinson was born at Crestline, and his parents, natives of Ireland, were long residents of this flourishnig city. Until he was seventeen Mr. Wilkinson attended the public schools of his native city, and then entered one of the hotels of Crestline, and until 1893 continued one of its employes, learning in this connection the details of the business. In that year he bought the Gibson Hotel and entered upon his long career as a hotel owner and operator. In addition to his hotel Mr. Wilkinson is interested in other local enterprises. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson have two daughters. While Mr. Wilkinson is a democrat, he has never taken much part in politics, but does give the candidates of his party a loyal support at election times. Quiet, unassuming people, Mr. Wilkinson and his wife have earned their present success in business, as well as the real esteem in which they are held by their fellow townsmen.

Frank Earl Lancaster, the popular deputy clerk of the Board of Elections of Mahoning County, with residence in the City of Youngstown, was one of the gallant young men who represented Ohio in overseas service in the World war, and his civic loyalty is on a parity with that which he thus manifested in his military career as a patriot soldier in the world's great conflict at arms. He is now giving attention also to the study of law, with the intention of establishing himself ultimately in practice as a member of the Youngstown bar.

Mr. Lancaster was born near Chewtown, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, March 8, 1898, and is a son of Basil George and Mary (Monch) Lancaster, the former of whom was born in the State of Michigan, and the latter in the Province of Ontario, Canada, their home being now at Struthers, Mahoning County, Ohio.

After profiting by the advantages of the public schools, including the high school, and also those of a business college, Mr. Lancaster served for a time as clerk in the railroad office at Wampum Station, in his native county, a position which he had held also in his summer vacations from school. His entire period of service in this capacity covered three years, and incidentally he had the distinction of operating the first moving picture machine that gave public entertainment at Wampum Station. At New Castle, judicial center of his native county, he entered the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, where he served in turn as yard clerk and billing clerk and was finally made index clerk. After the lapse of somewhat more than two years he there transferred to the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad, in the capacity of stenographer to the divisional freight agent. Later he was promoted to interchange clerk and assistant cashier in the freight offices of the same division, and after a period of eighteen months had thus passed he came to Youngstown, Ohio, and assumed the position of stenographer to the paymaster of the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company. He was thus engaged at the time when the nation became actively involved in the World war, in April, 1917, and on the 2d of the following month he enlisted for service in the United States Army and was assigned to the Signal Corps. He had preliminary training at various places, and finally was assigned to service with the Eighth Battalion of Field Artillery, then stationed at the Presidio, Monterey, California. There he served as sergeant and company clerk from July until December, 1917, and he was then transferred to Camp Green, North Carolina, and made chief clerk in the divisional signal office. In April, 1918, he was transferred to Camp Mills, Long Island, and on the 3d of the following month, with the Fourth Division, he embarked for overseas service. He landed in the port of Liverpool, May 16th, and thence proceeded with his command to the City of London. One week later

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sion Mr. Lancaster was thereafter in continuous action at the battle front until November 12, and after the signing of the armistice his division became a part of the allied Army of Occupation in Germany. September 4, 1919, he embarked for the home voyage, and at Camp Dix, Pennsylvania, he received his honorable discharge, with rank of sergeant of the first class.

After the close of this patriotic service Mr. Lancaster returned to Youngstown and resumed his former position, which he retained until the early part of 1920, when he was made ledger man in the offices of the East Ohio Gas Company, with later assignment to its information and complaint department. In September of the same year he was appointed deputy clerk of the courts for Mahoning County, and in this connection he had charge of naturalization matters from October 1, 1920, until April 30, 1923—a position of importance, owing to the large foreign element of the great industrial activities of Youngstown. He was then appointed deputy clerk of the County Board of Elections, the position of which he is the incumbent at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924.

Mr. Lancaster is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party, he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is actively affiliated with the local post of the American Legion, through the medium of which he perpetuates his association with former World war comrades. He has membership also in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

March 8, 1921, recorded the marriage of Mr. Lancaster and Miss Anna Cook, who was born at Dubois, Pennsylvania, and they have a fine little son, Frank Howard, born February 11, 1923.

HARRY E. HAWORTH is manager at Gallipolis for the Harmony Creamery Company. This is a business with headquarters at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and operating plants in a large number of Ohio towns. Mr. Haworth has been the man primarily responsible for the upbuilding of the business to prosperous proportions in Gallia County.

Mr. Haworth is a native of Lancashire, England, where he was born June 25, 1867, son of William and Mary Haworth. His parents spent all their lives in England, where his father died in 1880 and his mother in 1917.

Harry E. Haworth, one of three children, and the only one to come to the United States, acquired his early education in England, and after working on a farm for a short time became an auditor and bookkeeper. In 1896 he came to the United States, and soon afterwards in Medina County, Ohio, became an office employe of the Harmony Creamery Company. This company subsequently sent him to its Portage County plant, and from Portage he went to the Whalen plant in the same county, then to Newton Falls in Trumbull County, following which he was at Vera Cruz, Indiana, representing other interests. When he resigned from the Harmony Creamery Company he was sent to Gallipolis, and for ten years has been a resident of that Southern Ohio city. He looked after the office, and later took over the duties of another man in the field work, and since taking the management the business has more than doubled, and a great deal of opposition has been overcome. In 1923 the plant made nearly 1,750,000 pounds of butter. This Pittsburgh corporation markets the products of its many plants through Pittsburgh, and though some of the butter is sold to the local trade, the company does not solicit such business. At Gallipolis the company maintains plants at Newton Falls, wick, Ohio, April 11, 1900, Miss Cornelia Root, daughter of John and Cornelia Root, now deceased. Her father was a farmer, a Methodist and an Odd Fellow. There were four sons and two daughters in the Root family, Frank, William, Albert, Harry, Florence and Mrs. Haworth. Mr. and Mrs. Haworth had one daughter, Anna. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

LOUIS E. GEUSS. As one of the rising young attorneys of Youngstown, Louis E. Geuss is adding prestige to his family, one of the old ones of the city, and winning for himself the place in his profession to which his abilities entitle him. He was born at Youngstown, September 10, 1891, a son of Louis E. and Malinda (Stevely) Geuss, natives of Warren County, Ohio, and of Youngstown, respectively. The paternal grandparents were Ernest F. and Anna Geuss. For thirty years the elder Louis E. Geuss was a merchant of Youngstown, but his long and honorable business career was terminated by his death in 1912. He is survived by his widow, who is still a resident of Youngstown.

After completing his high school courses Louis E. Geuss, of this review, entered the law school of Western Reserve University, and was graduated therefrom in June, 1915. In July of the same year he was admitted to the bar, and entered at once upon the practice of his profession. Since September, 1922, he has been a member of the strong legal firm of Kaufman, Geuss & Collins.

On October 18, 1916, Mr. Geuss was married to Ethel Irene Douglas, born at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, a daughter of Frederick A. and Florence Estelle (Holcomb) Douglas, mention of whom is made elsewhere in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Geuss have no children. A strong republican, he has been active in politics, and for eighteen months was assistant city prosecutor and for six months was secretary to Mayor Oles of Youngstown. Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church of Youngstown holds his membership. Fraternally he belongs to the Masonic Order, the Knights of Pythias, and to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and has passed all the chairs in the latter.

KENNETH EARL SHAWEKER, M. D. A World war veteran with a record of service as a medical officer overseas, Doctor Shaweker since the war has practiced medicine and surgery in Dover. He is a son of Doctor Samuel Shaweker, a prominent physician of the same community, whose career is given in the following sketch.

Kenneth Earl Shaweker was born on a farm near Baltic, in Tuscarawas County, March 22, 1888, and as a boy lived in Shanesville and Dover, attending the common schools of those localities. He first prepared for professional pharmacy in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, graduating in 1908. After two years as a drug clerk he entered the New York University as a student of medicine, completing the prescribed course and graduating in 1914. For two years after his graduation Doctor Shaweker was employed as a special surgeon in Bellevue Hospital at New York City.

For a brief time he was engaged in private practice at New Philadelphia, but soon after America entered the World war he volunteered for service, and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps April 24, 1917. He was called to the colors June 15, 1917, at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, was ordered to Camp Sherman in August, 1917, and on May 6, 1918, went overseas, sailing from Hoboken June 12. In France he was assigned to Camp Hospital No. 15 with the American Expedi-

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tionary Forces, and was in that service until June 30, 1919. Ordered back to the United States, he arrived at New York July 11, and at Camp Sherman was discharged August 2, 1919, with the rank of Major in the Medical Reserve Corps, and is still a reserve officer subject to call. In December, 1917, he was promoted to the rank of captain and in France received promotion to the rank of major on February 17, 1919. Doctor Shaweker is an active member of the American Legion.

For the past five years he has had an increasing practice of medicine and surgery at Dover, and is a member of the staff of Union Hospital. He belongs to the Tuscarawas County and Ohio State Medical societies, is a Knights Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Lutheran Church.

He married in 1917 Miss Mabel Louise Simms. They have three children: Margaret M., Mary Elizabeth and Kenneth Earl, Jr.

MAX SHAWEKER, M. D. A physician and surgeon, pathologist and director of a private clinical laboratory at Dover, Dr. Max Shaweker comes of a family of physicians, being a son of Dr. Samuel Shaweker, one of the senior members of the medical profession of Tuscarawas County, whose career is given in the preceding sketch. Dr. Max Shaweker was a lieutenant in the Naval Medical Corps during the World war, making a brilliant record.

He was born at Baltic, Tuscarawas County, September 6, 1889, was educated in the public schools at Shanesville and Dover, and graduated in pharmacy from Ohio Northern University at Ada in 1910. In the fall of the same year he entered the Medical School of Northwestern University at Chicago, and was awarded his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1914. For about three years Doctor Shaweker was in Cincinnati, and was successively in turn house surgeon and receiving physician in the general hospital of that city.

During 1917 he engaged in private practice for a few months at Dover, until he entered service with the United States Navy. He was commissioned a lieutenant, junior grade, in the Naval Medical Corps, and subsequently was promoted to the rank of lieutenant in the Regular Navy. For nineteen months he served as pathologist in the naval hospital at Brooklyn, and was then on duty on the United States steamship Connecticut and later on the hospital ship Mercy. He was discharged as a reserve in the United States Naval Reserve Corps, Class 1, January 16, 1920.

Soon afterwards he resumed private practice at Dover. In connection with his work as a physician and surgeon he conducts the laboratory for clinical service, and has made it an indispensable adjunct to the medical fraternity of his city and the entire county. He is connected with Union Hospital, is secretary of the County Medical Society, and a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Shaweker is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias, belongs to the Sigma Chi literary fraternity and the Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity. He is a member of the Moravian Church.

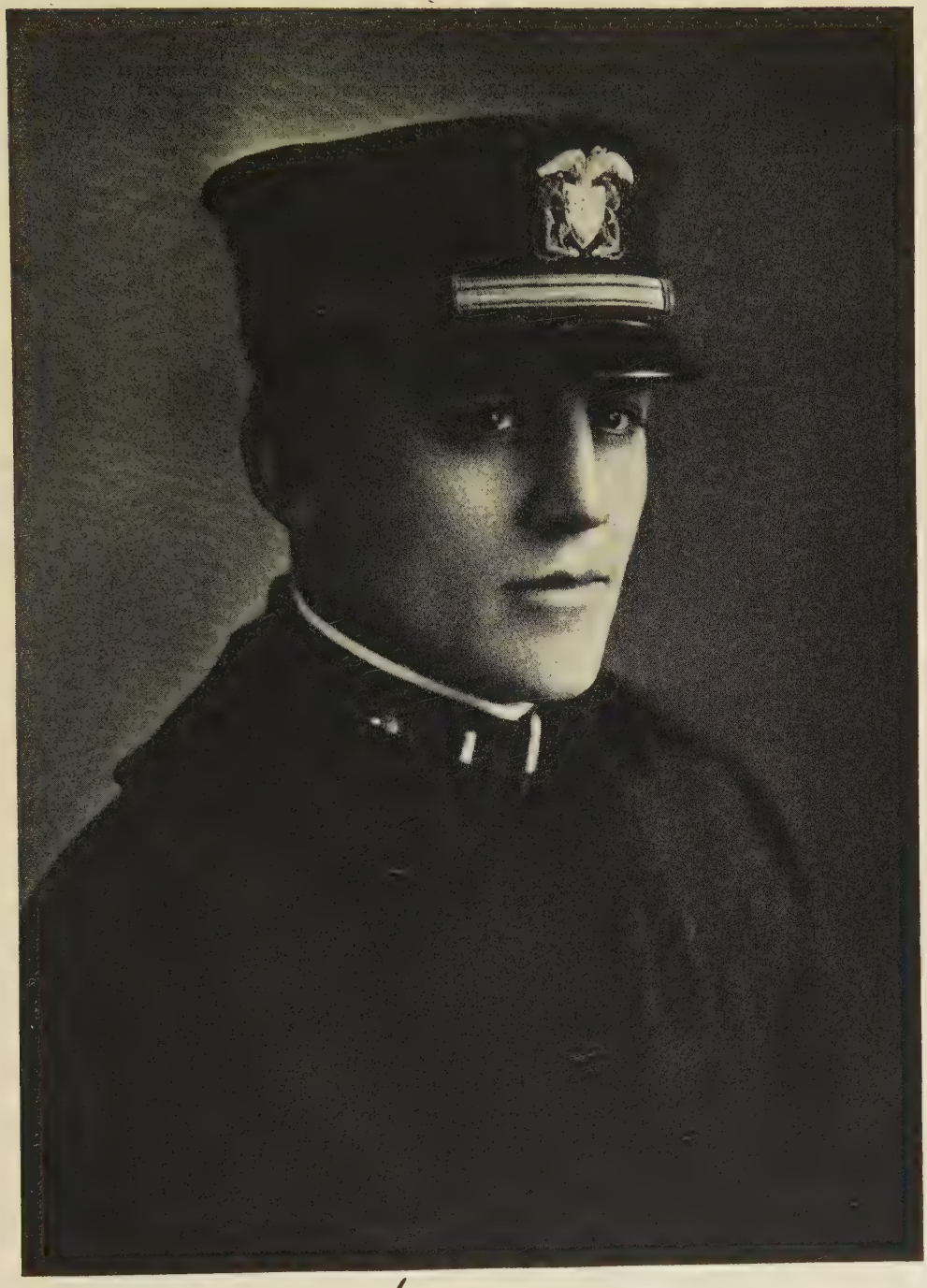
Doctor Shaweker married in 1920 Miss Mary Kathryn Keplinger, of New Philadelphia. They have one daughter, Mary Jane.

STEPHEN A. SAUL. The earliest of occupations, farming, has continued to be down through the ages the basic industry of every country, and the farmer is today, as he has always been, a most important factor in the life of his community. The fertile fields of Ohio have long yielded magnificent harvests to those who have tilled them intelligently, and as a class the agriculturists of this commonwealth rank among the most progressive and successful in the country. One of them of Seneca County deserving of special notice is Stephen A. Saul, proprietor of Silver Valley Farm, a valuable property comprising 240 acres of land in Bloom Township, two miles southwest of Bloomville, whose successful operations have won him high standing in his neighborhood, as well as material profit.

Stephen A. Saul was born in the vicinity of his present farm, November 6, 1860, a son of Edward and Lavina (Kagy) Saul, the latter of whom was born on the present farm of Stephen A. Saul in 1832, and on it her entire life was spent, and the former was born in Eden Township, Seneca County, and both had common school educations. After they were married they located on their farm, and his death occurred at the age of forty-seven years. Both early united with the Baptist Church. A strong democrat, he was active in local affairs, and was a township official for many years. They had eight children, seven of whom survive: R. M., who is a farmer of Crawford County, Ohio; John K., who is a farmer of Howard County, Indiana; Stephen A., whose name heads this review; Martha, who is the wife of Alexander Kingsee, of Indiana; Manah, who is the wife of Jacob Henry Weisenaner; Elizabeth J., who is the wife of Jacob J. Brady, of Seneca County; and Hannah, who is the wife of William Smelser, of Howard County, Indiana. The third child, Isabelle, died unmarried after reaching maturity.

After he had completed the courses in the district schools and those of Bloomville Stephen A. Saul taught school for a couple of years, and took a normal school course. However, he was reared on a farm, and his inclinations led him to adopt farming as his life work, and he has been eminently successful in everything he has undertaken. He is a breeder of milk shorthorn cattle, and C type Merino registered sheep. In addition to his farming Mr. Saul is interested in several local enterprises and is a director of the Exchange Bank at Bloomville. A Presbyterian in religious faith, he is serving the church of that denomination at Ballast as deacon. In politics he is an independent voter.

On October 9, 1883, Mr. Saul married Miss Susie M. Weisenaner, a daughter of John and Mary (Quinner) Weisenaner. The father was born in Bavaria, Germany, and when he was fourteen years old he came to the United States. He located in Crawford County, Ohio, where he worked at the shoemaking trade, and later established a shop at Lykens, Crawford County, where he continued to live until he bought a farm. His wife was born in Crawford County. They had ten children, of whom seven are living. Mrs. Saul was reared at Lykens, and attended the district schools. After they were married Mr. and Mrs. Saul lived for five years on a farm in Bloom Township, Seneca County, and then went to Howard County, Indiana, where he bought a farm, and they continued to live on it for five years, and then moved to the Silver Valley Farm, their present home. Their children are as follows: Mabel L., who was educated at the Ohio State Normal School at Ada, Ohio, taught school prior to her marriage to Corbin Dove, but is now deceased, having borne her husband two children, Leonard and Martha A.; J. O., who was graduated from the Ohio State Normal School at Ada, was formerly a school teacher, but is now a farmer and stockraiser; Allen John, who graduated from the high school course, is a carpenter of Findlay, Ohio; Mary L., who is the wife of Hoy P. Sherwood, a farmer of



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Delaware County, Ohio; Arthur L., who graduated from the high school course, is a farmer of Bloom Township; Florence E., who is unmarried, lives at Tiffin, Ohio; Cora M., who is unmarried, lives at home; Esther R., who is a trained nurse of considerable experience; Charles S., who graduated from the high school course, is a student at the Tiffin, Ohio, Business University; and Bernice M., who is the youngest of the family. Mr. and Mrs. Saul have every reason to be proud of their children, for they are fine young people, and they have reared them to be a credit to them and to their home community, and all of them are doing well.

GEORGE ROLLAND. Well-directed industry, commendable thrift and capable management have combined to achieve for George Rolland individual success and the respect of his fellow-citizens in Eden Township. Mr. Rolland's life has been devoted to the pursuits of farming and stock raising, and at present he is engaged in cultivating a well-improved farm of 160 acres lying not far from the City of Tiffin, a property which has been acquired through the medium of his own efforts.

Mr. Rolland was born in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1861, and is a son of Michael and Amanda (Mills) Rolland. His father, a native of Germany, immigrated to the United States in 1850, when twenty-three years of age, and, locating in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, secured employment in the coal mines. He was economical and industrious, and soon had saved sufficient funds to make the first payment on a farm, of which he eventually became the owner, and on which he passed the remainder of his life. He was a democrat in politics and an active church member of the Methodist Episcopal faith. Mrs. Rolland, also a member of that church, was born in Schuylkill County, in 1838. They were the parents of twelve children, of whom three survive: George, of this review, Frank, who is carrying on operations on the old home place in Pennsylvania; and Thomas, who has a position as fireman in a coal mine in Pennsylvania.

George Rolland received only the advantages of a somewhat limited district school education, for much of his boyhood was spent in hard work on the home farm, where he remained until he was sixteen years of age, shortly after which he left home and came to Ohio. Here he secured employment on the farm of Thomas Leinhard, of Crawford County, at $110 per year, and remained with him for something more than four years. On his twenty-first birthday, March 26, 1882, he came to Seneca County, and took a position as farm hand at $123 per year, working for one employer for eleven years. During this time he saved every dollar that he made and sent it home to his parents for safe-keeping. After this he was employed on another farm for one year, and for six years on still another property, located in Bloom Township. At this time, with what he had saved, he felt ready to assume the responsibilities of a family, and March 29, 1899, was united in marriage with Miss Nettie Kline, who was born in Eden Township, July 22, 1860, and was reared on a farm adjoining that which she and her husband now occupy. She is a daughter of Isaiah Kline, who was born January 7, 1824. Her mother was born in Ireland, June 13, 1833. She came to the United States in 1844 and located in Crawford County, Ohio, where she met Mr. Kline, their marriage taking place in 1855. They had a family of five children, of whom two are living: Eliza, the wife of Ralph Hamlin, of Wyandotte County, Ohio; and Nettie.

Following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Rolland rented a farm for one year and then another property for two years, and finally bought eighty acres of their present property, to which was added twenty acres which Mrs. Rolland received as an inheritance, and sixty acres which Mr. Rolland secured later by purchase, this making the property 160 acres in extent. Mr. Rolland has improved his farm with substantial and attractive buildings, and carries on his operations according to the most modern and highly approved methods. He is a democrat in his political allegiance, and has served his township in the capacity of trustee. As a fraternalist he belongs to the Junior Order United American Mechanics and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has held office. He and Mrs. Rolland are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Two children have been born to them, of whom one died at birth, the other being Fannie K., born July 29, 1901. She is a graduate of the high school at Melmore and of Heidelberg University, and is now a teacher of mathematics in the Lykens Consolidated High School in Crawford County, this state.

PAUL F. MEEHAN. In the group of younger business men who represent the vital commercial interests and the civic progress of Ironton, Paul F. Meehan, manager of the Ironton Water Works, holds a conspicuous place.

He is a son of Patrick Meehan, well known both at Ironton and also in the great Youngstown manufacturing district of Ohio. Patrick Meehan came from England when he was twelve years of age, his parents settling in Pennsylvania, where he was reared and educated. He acquired his early knowledge of the iron and steel business in Pennsylvania. In 1897 he and other members of his family organized the Meehan Boiler Company at Lowellville in the Youngstown district, and subsequently changed the name to the Meehan Boiler & Construction Company, the activities of the concern being broadened to include not only the manufacture of boilers but steel construction of all kinds. This has since been one of the leading plants of that industrial center. From Lowellville Patrick Meehan extended his interests to Ironton, and founded and is owner of the Ironton Boiler Works. He is a very able business man, and also a generous and public spirited citizen, an active member of the Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus. He married Mary E. Carr, a native of Pennsylvania. They had a family of eight children: Florence, a member of the Humility of Mary Sisters and connected with the Youngstown Hospital; Marie, wife of William Green, of Woodlawn, Pennsylvania, and the mother of one daughter, Mary Francis; Ruth and Josephine, both at home; James Leo, who lives at Ashland, Kentucky, and by his marriage to Josephine McMahon has four children, named Mary, James, Dorothy and Richard; Patrick; Paul F.; and Joseph.

Paul F. Meehan was born at New Castle, Pennsylvania, in October, 1894, and was reared in Lowellville, where he graduated from high school in 1912. During the following two years he was a draftsman in the engineering department of the Briar Hill Steel Company at Youngstown, and then became associated with his father as manager of the Ironton Boiler Works, of which his father is owner.

Mr. Meehan left his business duties at Ironton in 1918 to enlist, and was assigned to the Engineering Efficiency Department at the navy yard at Norfolk, Virginia. He remained there until after the armistice, when he returned to Ironton to resume his work.

Like his father he takes a deep interest in all matters of public concern, though neither of them has sought public office. Both have acted as strong influences for clean politics, and for high ideals in commercial life. Paul F. Meehan is a member of the

Catholic Church, the Chamber of Commerce, the Knights of Columbus, the Rotary Club, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and belongs to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. In September, 1917, at Ironton, he married Miss Lillian M. Miller, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Klein) Miller. Her parents are natives of Ohio, and her father is an ice and ice cream manufacturer. Mr. and Mrs. Meehan have one son, Paul F., Jr.

JOSEPH T. TRACY. For the responsibilities of the officer of the auditor of the State of Ohio Joseph T. Tracy had training and experience bringing exceptional qualifications for one of the most important offices in the state government.

Mr. Tracy represents an old and prominent family of Southern Ohio. However, he was born at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, December 28, 1865, son of Noah and Nancy Ann Freeman Tracy. Soon after his birth his parents returned to their old home in Scioto County, Ohio, where his mother died in 1867. Noah Tracy subsequently married a second wife, and again went out to Iowa. In 1876 he returned to Ohio, and died in Columbus at the venerable age of eighty-nine. The Tracy family was founded in Ohio in 1817 by Dr. Jonathan Tracy, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, who came from New York State. He married Elizabeth Westbrook, whose father was one of the pioneer settlers of Adams County, Ohio, and became one of the founders of Moore's Chapel on Blue Creek, said to be the first Methodist Episcopal Church west of the Alleghanies. Dr. Jonathan Tracy died in 1888, at the venerable age of ninety-two, and his widow reached the same age.

Joseph T. Tracy was reared on a farm, attended country schools in Scioto County, also the normal at West Union, and spent several years as a teacher, teaching five years and serving as county school examiner as well. He left school work to become deputy clerk of courts of Scioto County, studying law while in that office. He was county auditor of Scioto County from 1893 to 1899, a period of two terms.

The official experience of most value to him in preparation for his duties as auditor of state began with his appointment in 1902 as one of the three supervisors of the Bureau of Inspection and Supervision of Public Offices. He was the municipal supervisor of said Bureau from 1902 to 1916. As such supervisor he installed uniform accounts in the seventy cities of Ohio, and also formulated uniform reports for said cities. He was especially influential in determining the policies of the Bureau, which policies have continued effective for twenty-two years without invoking any partisan criticism, and secured to the Bureau the confidence of the people and of the public officials to a remarkable degree. This has resulted in a great improvement in the public service and of a large saving to the taxpayers.

As auditor of state Mr. Tracy supervises all expenditures from the State Treasury. An important feature of his work includes the supervision and inspection of road construction through two traveling engineers who call upon contractors engaged in state highway construction to see that the contract and specifications are being faithfully complied with, which work has aided materially in securing our splendid system of state highways. He has insisted that the state be given as low prices on all commodities purchased as are given to the most favored customers by those selling to the state.

Mr. Tracy was one of the republicans chosen on the state ticket of 1920, being elected for a four years' term. He is head of one of the large offices in the State Capitol, there being 140 employes under him.

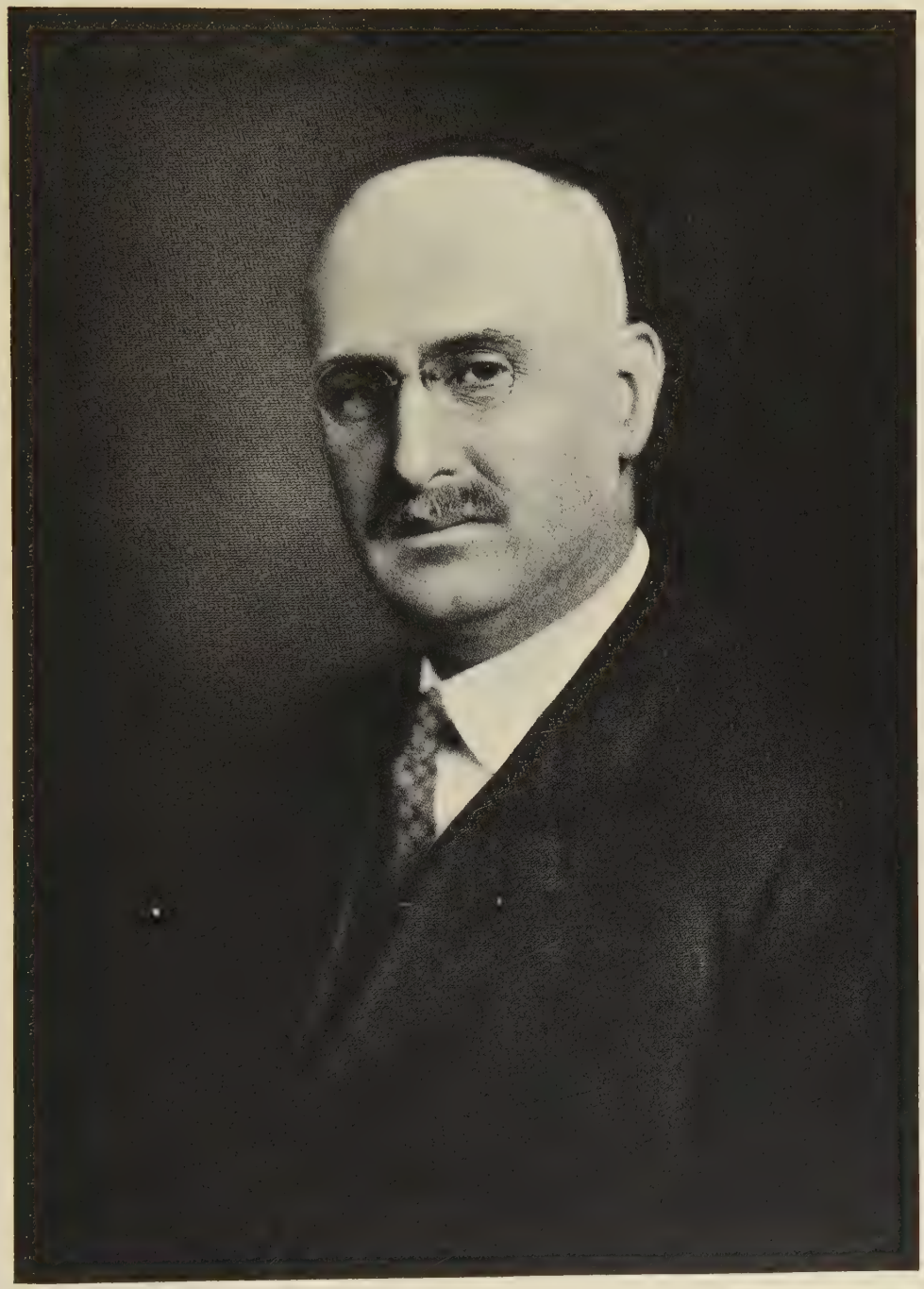
Mr. Tracy married Miss Alnore Arnold, who had been a teacher in Scioto County. She died January 9, 1921, the day preceding the inauguration of Mr. Tracy as auditor of state. He has five children: Stanley B., office manager of the Ritter Lumber Company in New York City, who had a record of service with the Aviation Corps during the World war; Helen W., a high school teacher at Van Wert, Ohio; Christine L., wife of George R. Jamieson, Jr., of Dayton; and Juliet G. and Roger W. The two younger children are juniors in Ohio State University, and the three older children are all graduates of the State University. Mr. Tracy and family are members of King Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church of Columbus, Ohio. He is affiliated with the Masonic and Knights of Pythias Orders.

MILTON C. REED, of Crestline, Crawford County, for several years held the responsible position of district chief of the toll-wire system of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, his experience in connection with the practical details of the telephone business having been initiated when he was a mere boy and his advancement having been won through ability and effective service.

Mr. Reed was born in the City of Piqua, Miami County, Ohio, July 10, 1874, and in the same county were born his parents, James M. and Catherine I. (Whiteman) Reed. James M. Reed was reared on the homestead farm of his father, and continued his association with its activities until he had attained to the age of twenty-one years. After his marriage he established his residence in the City of Piqua, where he became a successful contractor in brick-masonry enterprise, and where he continued to maintain his home until his death, his widow being still a resident of that city. Mr. Reed was a staunch supporter of the cause of the republican party, was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he passed the various official chairs, including that of noble grand, and he was an active communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as is also his widow. Of the fine family of thirteen children nine still survive the father, the subject of this review having been the fourth in order of birth.

In the public schools of his native city Milton C. Reed continued his studies until he had profited by the advantages of the high school, and at the age of seventeen years he learned the trade of telegraphy, he having been employed some time as a Western Union operator at Lima, Ohio. He soon became associated with the telephone business, in which, as before stated, he had gained initial experience while he was still a boy. From September 6, 1906, to January 12, 1909, he was in the employ of the Bell Telephone Company at Cuyahoga Falls, and he was then transferred to Crestline and made district manager of the Ohio State Telephone Company, his office being that of district toll-wire chief of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company. In June, 1924, Mr. Reed withdrew from the Telephone Company and entered the restaurant business, becoming a member of the firm of Frye Brothers & Reed.

The personal popularity and civic loyalty of Mr. Reed were clearly indicated in his election to the office of mayor of Crestline in 1921, by a majority of five to one over the democratic candidate, and his administration as chief executive of the municipal government has been signally liberal and progressive. He is a stalwart in the local camp of the republican party, is a valued member of the local Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club, holds membership in the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with Arcana Lodge No. 272, Free and Accepted Masons, and Crestline Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, in his home city, while at Mans-



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field he holds membership in the Council of Royal and Select Masters and the Commandery of Knights Templar, besides which at Crestline both he and his wife are members of Harmony Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. He was reared in the faith of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and is a communicant of the same.

At Lima, Ohio, on the 16th of October, 1897, Mr. Reed wedded Miss Geraldine B. Neff, and she passed to the life eternal on the 10th of February, 1907. The two surviving children of this union are Milton Neff Reed, who was born in August, 1899, and who is now in the employ of the Big Four Railroad Company, he having served in the United States Navy in the World war and having made four trips across the Atlantic in the navy transport service; and Martha C. is the wife of Austin Robinson, of Crestline. The second marriage of Mr. Reed was with Miss Launa G. Fidler, and they have two children, Geraldine Mary and James F.

ROLLA M. MYERS. A stranger traveling through the counties of Williams, Fulton, Stark, Crawford and Seneca, Ohio, notices at once the substantial condition of many of the roads and streets of this section, and unfailing evidence of prosperity and good management, and for this county virtue much credit must be given to Rolla M. Myers, of Attica, an extensive contractor along this line. Since 1910, when he embarked in business, he has constructed many miles of highway in the localities mentioned, and in addition is known as a successful inventor.

Mr. Myers was born at Attica, Seneca County, Ohio, January 14, 1889, and is a son of J. E. and Anna (Lepard) Myers, the former a native of Attica and the latter of Seneca County. The only child of his parents, he was reared at Attica, where he acquired his educational training in the grade and high schools, and after his graduation from the latter entered upon his career as a teacher in the local schools. After two terms he decided that the role of educator was not one for him to assume, and made a fresh start, this time as a road contractor and builder. Since then his services have been constantly in demand and his business has increased by leaps and bounds until now he employs a large force of mechanics and has contracts that call him many miles from his headquarters. In connection with his work Mr. Myers is the inventor and patentee of a very clever device known as the Burch Stone Spreader, which is manufactured by the Burch Plow Works at Crestline, Ohio. Mr. Myers is the owner of 120 acres of valuable land located southwest of Attica, in Venice Township, and is greatly interested in everything pertaining to agriculture, its development and progress. He is an enthusiastic member of the Grange, and was formerly secretary of the Farmers Bureau. In politics he upholds the principles and supports the candidates of the republican party. His strength as a citizen is based not only on his success as an honorable business man, but on his personal popularity, the latter having been enhanced by his connection with several fraternities, he being a member of Attica Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and Venice Lodge No. 197, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Public measures which promise to be beneficial to the community have his unqualified support. Mr. Myers is not connected with any religious organization.

In 1913 Mr. Myers was united in marriage with Miss Nina Eckert, who was born in Seneca County and educated in the district schools. She is a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

FREDERICK EBERSBACH for many years has been one of the most prominent family names in the industrial affairs of Meigs County. As a family they have developed and owned extensive coal mines in this section; have been manufacturers and contractors and have enjoyed and exercised a worthy influence in the affairs of the community.

The enterprising head of the family was the late Martin Ebersbach, who was born in Germany, and was brought to the United States when eight or nine years of age by his parents, Jacob and Katherine Ebersbach. Jacob Ebersbach was a coal miner, and worked in mines operated by the Pomeroy Coal Company. He died about 1860, when sixty years of age. Martin had a brief schooling in Germany, and as a boy he worked along by the side of his father in the coal mines. Subsequently he came into possession of the Wildermuth farm near Chester, Ohio, a property that had been owned by his wife's family. Selling this farm, he and a partner opened a retail mine in town, and that was the first of the many coal properties owned and operated by the Ebersbach family. The remarkable success of this group of people has largely been due to the faculty for cooperation and strenuous industry on the part of all members of the family. Martin Ebersbach later leased the old Peacock Mine, which had formerly been one of the Pomeroy Coal Company's mines. In 1886 the family bought the Peacock equipment, and then the lease to the Charter Oak Mine, which was retained in the family until June, 1920. In the meantime they had bought 6,400 acres of coal land in Meigs County, and in 1911 began developing mines on this property, many of them under the management of the Peacock Coal Company. These mines were in production prior to and during the World war, including the Forrest Run, the Dark Hollow and Racuse mines, the last being located above Syracuse. These mining properties of the Ebersbach family were sold in June, 1920, to the Great Lakes Coal Company.

Martin Ebersbach died at Pomeroy June 24, 1919, when eighty-two years of age, one of the highly respected men of the community. He married Sophia Wildermuth, also a native of Germany, and brought to this country as a child. She died in 1897, at the age of fifty-seven. They had a large family of children, including seven sons, Frederick Ebersbach being the oldest son. George is with the Ebersbach Construction Company, having charge of heavy construction in Ohio and West Virginia, and resides at Pomeroy. William is also with the construction company of the family and is a mine superintendent. Charles is the active manager of the construction company, and was formerly manager of the Pomeroy Machine Company. Albert is associated with the construction company. Edward has charge of the Red Anchor Department Store, which is another enterprise of the family. Theodore, a resident of both Pomeroy and Columbus, is associated with the management of the construction company. The daughter, Catherine, is the wife of Albert N. Shafer, who was connected with the salt manufacturing activities of the family. Sophia is the wife of Leonard Fisher, who was connected with the mining interests. Helen married A. W. Keihus, of Columbus, who was formerly sales manager of the Peacock Coal Company.

Frederick and Charles Ebersbach among other activities bought and enlarged the Pomeroy Machine Company, making a large and flourishing industry of this. Frederick was president of the company. This property has been sold to the Parkersburg Rig and Reel Company. The active manager of the Pomeroy Machine Company was Charles Ebersbach. The family also extended their interests to the organization of a transportation company, operating boats for the transport of coal and salt on the Kanawha and Ohio rivers to Cincinnati, Louisville

and other points. They were interested in the tow boats Gus Genin, Convoy and Eagle.

Frederick Ebersbach, oldest son of the late Martin Ebersbach, was born in Pomeroy, November 3, 1859, and was secretary-treasurer of the Pomeroy Dock Company, president of the Neil House Company of Columbus, and is identified with all the interests of the family. His first individual enterprise was the purchase in 1888 of the Pomeroy Salt Company, which afterwards was sold at a handsome profit. Mr. Ebersbach left school at the age of thirteen, spending a year in a store, and then resuming his schooling for another year. He kept books for his father in the retail coal business, and thenceforth was actively associated with his father's business affairs. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a teacher in Sunday School. In politics he votes as a republican.

On November 20, 1884, Mr. Frederick Ebersbach married Amelia Hobt, daughter of Fridolin and Susan Hobt, of Pomeroy. She died July 3, 1923, as the result of an automobile accident. Mr. and Mrs. Ebersbach had three children: Walter F., a mining engineer by profession, is with the United States Gypsum Company at Fort Dodge, Iowa; Raymond, now a member of the firm of Brooks & Ebersbach Motor Company, Ford car agents at Middleport, was pursuing a business course in the Mountain State Business College at Parkersburg, West Virginia, when America entered the World war, and he enlisted and had two years of service in the navy, becoming chief pharmacist's mate on the General Von Steuben, one of the German vessels taken over by the United States when the war commenced. The third child, Louise, is a graduate of Ohio University, and took her Bachelor of Arts degree in Goucher College at Baltimore, and has since pursued special work in Columbia University. She was a secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association at Pittsburgh until July, 1923, and now is a teacher in the Pomeroy High School.

Ohio Farmers Insurance Company. The Ohio Farmers Insurance Company, one of the largest genral insurance companies conducted on the mutual plan in the country, has an interesting history of growth and development covering a period of three-quarters of a century. The home of the company is LeRoy, in Medina County, and that town is one of the few places of its size in the country that is practically controlled by its central business institutions.

The Ohio Farmers Insurance Company was founded in 1848. Its first president was Jonathan O. Simmons, who held that office until 1851, when he was succeeded by Calvin Chapin. From 1870 until his death in 1912 the office of president was held by James C. Johnson, who was reelected annually for forty-three consecutive years. He died at the venerable age of ninety-three. The president since 1912 has been Frank H. Hawley who, it is interesting to note, represents the third consecutive generation of his family in the official affairs of this company.

The original charter members of the company were Jonathan O. Simmons, Henry Chapin, Amos Sheldon, Luther King, Asa Farnum, Isaac Jones, B. D. Austin, George Collier, Earl Moulton, Isaiah Phillips, Timothy Burr, Isaac Rogers and John B. Chase. The secretary of the company from 1848 to 1851 was B. D. Austin, and his successor was L. D. Ellis. In 1858 Amos G. Hawley became secretary. He resigned this office in 1866 and was succeeded by his son, Amos H. Hawley, who was secretary twenty-four consecutive years until his death in 1890. He was succeeded by O. S. Wells, who served until his death in 1900, and his successor was M. L. Benham, who in turn was succeeded by W. E. Haines, the present secretary, in 1909. The office of vice president was created in 1919, the incumbent of that position being John W. Crooks.

At the time of the organization of the insurance company LeRoy was an inland village of Medina County. For several years the company handled only farm risk insurance, and gradually other forms of risks were added until the company took up all lines of general insurance. The organization has had a marvelous growth and prosperity, so that its business now extends from New England to the Pacific Coast and ranks among the foremost general insurance companies of America. Its volume of business in the State of Ohio in farm insurance outranks that of any other company, and in general lines of insurance this company has alternated in the lead with other companies. Though a mutual company, its rates of insurance are on a fixed cash basis.

There has never been a time in the history of the company when its office building and equipment represented a sum in advance of the actual solid worth of the organization. The first office was in an L addition to a store building on the present office site. Later a one-story building was erected for the office, succeeded a few years later by a two-story modern office building, with living rooms on the second floor for the secretary's family. A still more modern office was erected in 1881, and it served in an increasingly limited manner the needs of the company until 1918. The office building was then remodeled, and an addition made in a printing plant, which supplies all the printed literature of the company.

LeRoy, as noted above, is virtually the product of the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company. It is one of the most attractive country villages in Ohio. Practically all the people living there are connected in some way with the company. Westfield Inn provides excellent accommodations for employes and travelers, and there is a splendid modern school, church building, paved streets with electric lights, water system and many beautiful homes.

Until recent years the secretary of the company was also the active administrative and executive head of the business. It is the impressive record of the Hawley family that representatives of three generations have been so closely and vitally identified with the growth of the company. Though the officers are elected annually, the grandfather, father and son have controlled the destinies of the company almost continually since 1858.

Frank H. Hawley, now president of the company, was born May 24, 1869, on the second floor of the company's office building at LeRoy. As noted above, this second floor was designed as the home of the secretary. His parents were Amos H. and Sarah E. (Phillips) Hawley. His great-grandfather, Dr. Gideon Hawley, was a native of Vermont, and was a pioneer settler in Ohio. Amos G. Hawley, his son, was born in Ohio, August 18, 1814, and in 1849 settled at Seville in Medina County, and in 1857 moved to Westfield, and the following year became secretary of the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company. He married Helen M. Brown, who was born in New Hampshire. Amos H. Hawley, who succeeded his father as secretary of the company, was born in Franklin County, Ohio, December 14, 1840. He began his duties as secretary of the company when he was twenty-six years of age, and served continuously until his death twenty-four years later, in September, 1890. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was a prominent Mason, identified with the various Scottish Rite bodies. In 1867 Amos H. Hawley married Sarah E. Phillips, who was born in Medina County, February 13, 1848.

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She died in 1908, the mother of three children: Frank H., Emma N., wife of R. T. Turner, and Robert A.

Frank H. Hawley was reared in LeRoy, attended the high school there, a Military Academy in Cleveland, and for two years was a student at Williams College in Massachusetts. He left college in 1890 on account of his father's death, and at once became a clerk in the company's office. In 1896 he was elected treasurer, and in 1912 he came to the office of president. Mr. Hawley is a member of the Methodist Church, is affiliated with Seville Lodge No. 3, Free and Accepted Masons, and Medina Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. In June, 1897, he married Miss Grace Corner, of Malta, Ohio, daughter of George S. and Elizabeth (Gillispie) Corner. Three children were born to their marriage, and the two now living are: Robert Blake and Marjorie A.

H. B. Watkins is general manager of the Kilgore Manufacturing Company, an important and prosperous manufacturing industry located at Westerville, in Franklin County.

This business was established at Homestead, Pennsylvania, in 1912, and in 1919, largely on the responsibility of the president of the company, Mr. W. L. Payne, of Columbus, it was removed to Westerville, where it has the facilities of an extensive modern plant. The output of the company is toy pistols, and these products are sold to jobbers and reach the retail trade throughout the United States and in foreign countries. The plant covers about an acre of floor space, and there are from 100 to 200 persons employed in the business.

Mr. Watkins, the general manager, was born in New York State, and as a young man went out to Colorado and became identified with lumber manufacture in that state. When the World war came on he enlisted, and went to France with troops from Colorado. Soon after his return to this country he accepted his present post as general manager of the Kilgore Manufacturing Company, and the success of the business speaks highly of his administrative ability.

Paul C. Matthew. One of the large industrial establishments of the City of Bucyrus is the Carroll Foundry & Machine Tool Company, a business built up by the late John C. Carroll. Since the death of Mr. Carroll the president of the corporation has been W. E. Matthew, while H. D. Jones is vice president; Paul C. Matthew, secretary, and other directors are Robert S. Carroll, Charles Gallinger, Alonzo Snyder and Charles Michael.

The secretary and treasurer of the company, Paul C. Matthew, was born in Bucyrus, April 10, 1897, and is a son of W. E. and Elizabeth (Laux) Matthew. His father was born in Bucyrus, July 8, 1869, was reared and educated there, and has been closely identified with the machine and foundry industry at Bucyrus and Cleveland for a number of years. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church. W. E. Matthew is an Elk and a democrat. His family consisted of three children: Miss Helen, a graduate of a finishing school in Cleveland; Miss Janet, a graduate of Smith College of Northampton, Massachusetts; and Paul C.

Paul C. Matthew graduated from the University School at Cleveland, and finished his education in the Penn State College. On leaving school he became associated with his father in the foundry. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is an Elk.

Benjamin F. James, of Bowling Green, is a scholarly, polished lawyer, has practiced law in Wood County for over thirty-five years, and has been active likewise in civic and other interests. He has served in the Legislature, and assisted in the organization of many banks in his section of the state.

Mr. James was born at Mount Gilead, Morrow County, Ohio, April 30, 1863, and is of Welsh and English ancestry. His paternal grandparents, Edmund and Esther (Griffith) James, were born in South Wales, and on coming to the United States about 1795 located in Cambria County, Pennsylvania. From there they moved to "The Welsh Hills" in the vicinity of Granville, Ohio, and subsequently to Chesterville, in what is now Morrow County. Edmund James was a farmer and lived all his life in the Chesterville community.

William D. James, father of the Bowling Green attorney, was born December 22, 1815, and died in his sixtieth year, May 13, 1875. His active life was devoted to farming and stock dealing, and he was a man of force in civic affairs and in politics, being an abolitionist, a whig and later a republican. His wife, Sarah Meredith, was born in Knox (now Morrow) County, July 30, 1818, daughter of William and Mary (Farmer) Meredith, pioneers of Knox County. Sarah James died September 24, 1894.

The youngest in the family of ten children, Benjamin F. James divided his youthful days between his home, the common schools and the Chesterville High School, and for his higher education he attended successively Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Denison University at Granville and the old Chicago University, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1884. For a time he was professor of classics in Bardstown College in Kentucky and in Burlington College in Iowa. He then enrolled as a post-graduate and law student in Yale University, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree on June 28, 1887.

Mr. James was admitted to the Ohio bar in October, 1887, and admitted to practice in the Federal Courts in 1890 and in the United States Supreme Court in 1906. He has been successful in a very diversified general law practice. He has acted as counsel for defense in a number of noted murder and other criminal cases, and has represented the interests of a number of business corporations.

He served as a member of the Ohio General Assembly from 1891 to 1895. While in the Legislature he secured the enactment of the law authorizing a new courthouse in Wood County. The public service that brought him some unusually interesting experience was that involved in his appointment as attorney in March, 1905, for the Spanish Treaty Claims Commission, a commission that adjusted matters growing out of the treaty with Spain following the close of the Spanish-American war. Mr. James spent two seasons in Cuba in connection with these official duties and also visited Spain. He resigned in 1907 to resume his law practice at Bowling Green and Toledo.

His home in Bowling Green is known as "Mon Cambria," one of the restful, spacious homes of the last century, located on the highest point in that section of Ohio. The residence itself is surrounded by several acres of ground, wonderfully landscaped and containing many native forest trees. Mr. and Mrs. James have brought into this home many beautiful objects of art, and it has one of the finest private libraries in the state. Mr. James is a member of the college fraternity Zeta Psi and the law fraternity Phi Delta Phi, having founded Waite Chapter while in Yale Law School. He is also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. Mr. James married Miss Myrtle E. McElroy at Washington, District of Columbia, September 4, 1901. Her father, Joseph C. McElroy, served as a captain of the Eighteenth

Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was a member of the Ohio State Legislature, and from 1895 until his death in 1907 was postmaster of the House of Representatives in Washington.

BEN WESTBROCK, proprietor of the Westbrock Funeral Home at Dayton, has been identified with the undertaking business in that city for over thirty-five years. A man thoroughly competent in all the technics of his profession, he has built his business on the basis of sympathetic service, and is the proprietor of one of the finest equipped funeral homes in the State of Ohio.

He was born at Minster, Ohio, April 11, 1868. He was reared and educated there, attending the public schools, and when sixteen years of age began learning the business of cabinet maker and undertaker at Minster. Three years later, at the age of nineteen, he came to Dayton, and in 1887 went to work for Dayton's best known undertaker, Peter Meyers. He was in the service of Mr. Meyers for five years, resigning to open a business of his own at the corner of what was then Wayne and Pearl streets, now Wayne and Haymarket streets. In that two-story brick building his business remained and prospered for ten years, and in 1902 he bought out the old establishment of his former employer, Peter Meyers, and this, the second home of the Westbrock Funeral Service, was occupied from 1902 to 1923, a period of twenty-one years. In the early summer of 1923 Mr. Westbrock occupied one of the beautiful old residences of Dayton, at 1712 Wayne Avenue, known as "Among the Trees," a beautiful place with none of the conventional features of an undertaking parlor. It has retained all the appearances of a quiet home, and in its furnishings and arrangements provide a real sanctuary for participants in the funeral service.

Associated with Mr. Westbrock in his business are his two sons, Ray J. and Norbert Henry. Ray, who was born in 1900, is a graduate of the Dayton High School and of the University of Dayton. Norbert Henry, born in 1902, likewise graduated from the Dayton High School and University.

Another member of the staff of the Westbrock Funeral Home is Carl Miller, a graduate of high school at Hamliton, Ohio, where he was born and reared. He is a licensed embalmer, having been licensed at the first examination held in Cincinnati, in September, 1902, and has been associated with Mr. Westbrock for more than ten years.

EVERT E. BUNN is a well known citizen and business man of Lawrence County, Ohio, and was born in Lawrence County, Kentucky. He has spent his active career in several states.

He was born in Lawrence County, Kentucky, September 21, 1886, son of David C. and Nona (Davis) Bunn, who are residents of West Virginia. The Bunn family came originally from North Carolina. His grandparents were David K. and Louisa Bunn. The Davis family is of old Virginia stock and of Welsh descent. The maternal grandfather, Alvin Davis, served two terms as a member of the State Legislature of West Virginia. David C. Bunn in early life was a brick mason, which trade he has followed up to the present time. He is the father of a family of eight children: Evert E., Alvin D., Effie M., Maggie, Bessie, Bertie, Lula and Ada.

Evert E. Bunn spent his boyhood days in Huntington, West Virginia. He attended the grade schools there, and after securing a certificate taught for two years. He finished a business course in Marshall College at Huntington in 1906, and since then has been a business representative of the Singer Sewing Machine Company. He began as a salesman in Ironton, Ohio, and in 1909 was made sales manager for the Ironton District. During the World war he was anxious to get into the active service, but was assigned to a class that was not called. On January 1, 1922, he became chief of police of the City of Ironton, but in the summer of 1923 resigned to resume work with the Singer Company as sales manager for the Winston-Salem District in North Carolina.

January 1, 1909, in Lawrence County, Ohio, Mr. Bunn married Miss Anna L. Payne, daughter of Uria and Celeste (Darling) Payne, natives of Ohio, and still living. Her father is now seventy-six and her mother seventy-four. Uria Payne was for twenty-eight years one of the active members of the bar of Lawrence County, Ohio, and left that profession to become a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Bunn is the youngest of a family of eight children, the others being: William, a physician; Amos, a minister; Louis, who is superintendent of an iron furnace for the Inland Steel Company at Indiana Harbor, Indiana; Oscar; James; Charles, probate judge of Lawrence County, Ohio; and Alpha.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunn are the parents of six children, Mabel, Celeste, Jessie, Lucille, Charles Everett and Gladys. The family are Methodists. Mr. Bunn is a member of the United Commercial Travelers and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

CLARE C. GETTLES is one of the vital and progressive business men in the City of Chillicothe, Ross County, where he is vice president and general manager of the East End Sand & Gravel Company.

Mr. Gettles was born in Madison County, Ohio, October 26, 1886, and is a son of Charles and Adeline (Gillilan) Gettles, who now reside at Frankfort, Ross County. Charles Gettles gave his attention to farm enterprise until his removal to Frankfort, where he is now living in large measure retired, though he finds much demand upon his attention in connection with the administration of estates. He and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Frankfort, and he is not only serving on its Official Board but is also teacher of the Men's Bible Class in its Sunday school. Of the four children the eldest is Harland, the family name of whose wife was Wallace, and they have two children, Harland, Jr., and Eleanor; Clare C., of this sketch, and his twin brother Clyde, who is deceased, were the next in order of birth; and Hazel is the wife of Ernest Wood, their home now being at Emporia, Kansas.

In the public schools of Frankfort Clare C. Gettles continued his studies until his graduation from high school as a member of the class of 1905. Thereafter he took a two years' course in civil engineering at National Normal University, Lebanon, Ohio. During the ensuing four years, as a representative of the profession for which he had thus fitted himself, he was associated with location and construction work on the line of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railroad, his service in this connection having been largely in the State of Virginia. He next formed an alliance with the firm of Jones Brothers, of Cincinnati, and was assigned to important work on the great Mesaba iron range in Minnesota, where he had charge of stripping iron-ore beds for the Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Company. He gave one year to this service, and was then sent to Middletown, Ohio, where as representative of Jones Brothers, he had charge of the construction of the American Rolling Mills Plant. This work engaged his attention during a period of eighteen months, and Mr. Gettles then became associated with the firm of Wiley Brothers, and took charge of the construc-

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tion of the modern bridge on Paint Street, in the City of Chillicothe, Ohio, one and one-half years have been required to complete this work. He then became general superintendent of construction for the McArthur-Hangs Company in the building of a lock and dam on the Ohio River at Evansville, Indiana, where he thus maintained his headquarters five and one-half years. In the employ of the same company he then went to Charleston, South Carolina, where the McArthur-Hangs Company held the contract for the construction of Government docks and terminals, this being at the time of American participation in the World war, and in this important work Mr. Gettles was made superintendent of construction, under the official direction of Major Harvey, the Government representative. After the close of the war Major Harvey, as a representative of the war department of the Government, selected Mr. Gettles engineer to construct barracks for the department at Corazel, in the great canal zone, Panama, and later he was assigned to similar service in Porto Rico. Mr. Gettles returned to the United States in the autumn of 1919, and, in the interests of the Austin Company of Cleveland, took charge of the construction of the plant of the Chillicothe Paper Company. After giving his attention to the work for a period of six months he initiated independent operations as consulting engineer and as engineering contractor. In 1922 he organized the East End Sand & Gravel Company of Chillicothe, and he has since continued its vice president and general manager, this company having extensive beds of sand and gravel of the highest grade, the sand from the deposit having been found to contain 99½ per cent of pure silicon. The business of this company is one of major importance in connection with construction work and general industrial advancement in the territory drawing upon its supplies, and the enterprise has become one of broad scope and most substantial order. In addition to his connection with the company Mr. Gettles continues in the work of his profession as a consulting and contracting engineer. He is a valued member of the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce and the local Kiwanis Club. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in their home City of Chillicothe he and his wife hold membership in Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church.

October 30, 1912, recorded the marriage of Mr. Gettles and Miss Bessie Myrtle West, of Chillicothe, she being a daughter of William and Susan (Seney) West, the former of whom is deceased. The other two children in the West family are: Anna, who is the wife of Charles Abernathy; and Seney West, who married Miss Nellie Bader, their children being three in number, Katherine, Eleanor and William. Mr. and Mrs. Gettles have no children.

The paternal grandparents of Mr. Gettles were Valentine and Mary (Canter) Gettles. Valentine Gettles was born in Germany, and was twelve years of age when he accompanied his parents to the United States, the family home having been established in Jackson County, Ohio. The maternal grandparents of Mr. Gettles were Strickland and Mary Ann (Clare) Gillilan, and the lineage of the Gillilan family traces back to staunch Scotch origin.

Merle Flenner, M. D., a member of one of the old and representative families of Butler County, has for nearly twenty years practiced medicine and surgery at Hamilton, and in that time has achieved front rank in his profession.

Doctor Flenner was born at Hamilton, in 1878, son of Granville M. and Anna (Rust) Flenner. The Flenner family has been in Butler County since pioneer times. His father was born in the same county, and for some years was a hardware merchant at Hamilton. In 1888 he moved to Peoria, Illinois, and was a resident and business man of that city over thirty years. His wife died there in December, 1918, and he subsequently returned to Hamilton. His six children were: Edith, John, Granville M., Jr., Caroline, Merle and Neil.

Merle Flenner was ten years of age when his parents moved to Peoria, Illinois, where he continued his public school education. After graduating from high school he entered the Miami Medical College at Cincinnati, and was graduated in 1903. For a year he was abroad, going to Paris at the time of the Paris exposition, and added much to his medical training by attending clinics at Paris and in other European clinics. Following his graduation from the Miami Medical College Doctor Flenner was for a year and a half an interne in the Cincinnati City Hospital. In January, 1905, he returned to his native City of Hamilton to engage in general practice, and in a short time had attained a volume of practice commensurate with his marked abilities. He has always been a student, and has attended clinics at the Mayo Brothers Hospital at Rochester and elsewhere. He is a member of the various medical societies, is a member of the Alpha Kappa Kappa College fraternity, a republican in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Doctor Flenner married Miss Adrienne Nosler, daughter of George F. and Katherine Nosler. They have two children, Anna Katherine and George Granville.

Delno F. Shafer. In professional and business circles as well as in the civic official life of Mansfield, one of the best known and most respected of its citizens is Delno Freeman Shafer. A native son of Richland County, he has passed his entire career within its borders and for the most part in Mansfield, where at the time of this writing he is manager of the Mansfield branch of the Ohio State Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Shafer was born March 7, 1861, near Bellville, Richland County, Ohio, a son of John F. and Theresa (Weaver) Shafer. His father, John F. Shafer, was born in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, and when but six months old was brought by his parents, Frederick and Eve Shafer, to Richland County, Ohio, the family settling on the Clearfork branch of the Mohican River, three miles west of the Village of Bellville. John F. Shafer was reared to agricultural pursuits and became a prosperous farmer and a recognized leader in all movements for the betterment of his community. He was a staunch Lutheran Church man, a patron of education and a progressive citizen. He died at the age of sixty-four years on his Perry Township farm adjacent to the old homestead. His widow survived him to the age of eighty-one years. Both lie buried in the Bellville Cemetery.

Delno F. Shafer was brought up on his father's farm, receiving his early educational training in the local district school and the Bellville High School. After teaching several years as principal of the Lucas, Ohio, public schools, he entered Heidelberg University, from which he was graduated in the classical course as a member of the class of 1888. The same year he was elected superintendent of the public schools at Bellville, resigning in 1890 to accept a principalship in the Mansfield public schools. Here for twenty-six more years he continued his work as an educator. For twenty-two years he was principal of the Hedges School, one of the largest in the city, a position which held when he gave up educational work in 1916. During this long period Mr. Shafer was active in all educational organiza-

tions. His influence was constantly exerted toward the advancement of the cause of public school education. He believed in thoroughness of primary education rather than in comprehensive elective systems which tended to a broad field of information at the expense of the development of mental power.

While still in school work Mr. Shafer, in 1907, became connected with the Ohio State Life Insurance Company and founded the Mansfield agency of this company in the first year of its history. Since 1916 he has devoted his entire time and energy to this business, and has built up one of the most substantial and important agencies of this company in the state. He is the oldest field representative of his company in years of service, and enjoys the full confidence of the official management as well as that of the entire agency force of the company, by whom he is affectionately called "Dad Shafer."

In his own city Mr. Shafer is highly respected as a citizen and as an effective force in all constructive efforts for community betterments. For six years he served as president of the City Council, a period distinguished as the greatest in the history of the municipality in the way of public improvements and industrial growth. He is a member of the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce and a vice president of the Optimist Club. Politically he is a democrat.

Mr. Shafer is a descendant from a line of ancestry which has been consistently Lutheran from the time of the Reformation in Germany. Having positive convictions as to a man's religious duties and obligations, it was but natural that he became a leader in his own church, the First Lutheran of Mansfield. In the year 1921 he was one of the laymen representatives of Ohio Lutherans to the first general synod of the United Lutheran Church of America, held in Washington, District of Columbia.

Mr. Shafer married in 1889 Miss Alice Virginia McCulley, daughter of John and Emily McCulley, of Lucas, Ohio. To them were born two sons: Paul McCulley Shafer, a graduate mechanical engineer of the Ohio State University, now a member of the firm of Swisher and Shafer, of Mansfield; and Dr. Charles Lee Shafer, a graduate from the Medical College of Western Reserve University, now resident physician in the Cleveland City Hospital.

Recognizing as of inestimable value the advantages that have been his by reason of the training of Christian parents, Mr. Shafer also insists that whatever there is of worth or success in his life has been due to the inspiration, the helpfulness and the faithful companionship of his good wife, Alice.

C. E. Vail has developed a substantial and prosperous business as distributor of the Nash, Jordan and Marmon automobiles, and his large and well equipped display and sales establishment in the City of Mansfield is eligibly situated on North Mulberry Street. The success which has attended the activities of Mr. Vail since he founded this enterprise in 1919 stands in significant evidence of his ability as a salesman and executive, and in the territory tributary to Mansfield as a distributing center he had made a splendid record in the sale of the three popular lines of automobiles for which he here has the distributing agency. He is one of the prominent and popular figures in the motor industry at Mansfield, and is a citizen of utmost loyalty and progressiveness.

Mr. Vail was born in Ashland County, Ohio, his paternal grandfather, Solomon Vail, having come from Pennsylvania and numbered himself among the pioneer settlers in Ashland County, where he reclaimed and developed a farm and where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives. Their son, J. W., father of the subject of this sketch, was long numbered among the most progressive and successful exponents of farm industry in Ashland County, where he was born and reared, as was also his wife, whose maiden name was Ella Bachelor. After years of well ordered and successfully productive activity as a farmer J. W. Vail now lives retired, and is an honored member of the home circle of his son C. E., at Mansfield, his wife being deceased.

In the public schools of his native county C. E. Vail continued his studies until he had duly profited by the advantages of the high school at Loudonville, and after leaving school he continued in service as salesman in a retail shoe store until 1914, when he came from Loudonville to Mansfield and entered the employ of the Lean Manufacturing Company. In the following year he manifested his resourcefulness and ambition by establishing in this city an independent taxi cab line. This line he successfully operated until 1919, when he assumed the general agency at Mansfield for the Nash, Jordan and Marmon automobiles, for which he has since continued the successful and popular distributor in this district. Mr. Vail is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Exchange Club of Mansfield. His wife, whose maiden name was Maude M. Reynolds, was born and reared in Wayne County, this state.

Leonidas E. Wills, M. D. St. Waverly, the judicial center and metropolis of Pike County, the broad scope and representative character of the practice controlled by Doctor Wills indicate alike his professional ability and his high place in the confidence and esteem of the community. He has been numbered among the physicians and surgeons engaged in practice in this county since the year 1897, save for an interval of three years, his residence and headquarters during the first six years having been in the Village of Omega, from which place he then moved to Hot Sulphur Springs, Colorado, where he remained three years. He then returned to Ohio and resumed practice at Omega, but in November, 1915, he moved to the county seat, where he has since continued his loyal and effective ministration in his exacting profession.

Dr. Leonidas Edmund Wills was born in Jackson County, Ohio, August 29, 1870, and is a son of John L. and Mary A. (Vaughters) Wills, the former of whom died in the autumn of 1895, the latter having passed away in the spring of that year. The names of their children are here entered in the respective order of their birth: Richard W., Dr. John W., James S., Alonzo G., Dr. Leonidas E., Thomas O., Benjamin F., Mary, Florence and Verna O. John L. Wills was one of Ohio's gallant soldiers of the Union during virtually the entire period of the Civil war. He was a member of Company K., Ninety-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and he had the physical powers that enabled him to well withstand the arduous service of the various campaigns in which he took part. He served two years, ten months and fourteen days, participating in fourteen battles under Generals Crook and Sheridan. Mr. Robert S. McCoppin, father of Mrs. Wills, was also very active in the Civil war. He participated in twenty-six battles, including those of Chickamauga, Kenesaw Mountain, Missionary Ridge, Atlanta, Jonesboro, Fayetteville, Savannah and Chattanooga, and he was thus with Sherman's forces in the Atlanta campaign and in the subsequent and historic march from Atlanta to the sea. He was 6 feet and 2 inches in height, and in his prime weighed 240 pounds. Mr. Wills gave the major part of his active life to farm industry, and was one of the substantial and

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honored citizens of Jackson County at the time of his death. He was actively affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic, and both he and his wife held membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

John L. Wills, father of Doctor Wills, came into Gallia County, Ohio, December 26, 1831, he having been born in Virginia, as were also his parents, Woodson and Sarah Wills, who were natives of Monroe County of the Old Dominion State. John L. Wills and his wife, Mary A., continued to reside in Ohio until their death, John L. Wills passed away September 25, 1895, and Mary, his wife, April 25, 1895. The maternal grandparents of Doctor Wills were Richard and Nancy (Thompson) Vaughters, the Vaughters' family having sent in an early day a number of settlers into the beautiful Scioto Valley of Ohio, and various published histories of that section of the state give record concerning the worthy part there played by members of the Vaughters' family.

Reared on the home farm and afforded the advantages of the district schools, Dr. Leonidas E. Wills advanced his education through the medium of a course in the National Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio, and thereafter he devoted three years to teaching in the district schools in Jackson and Ross counties. In preparation for his chosen profession he then entered the medical department of the Ohio Medical University, Columbus, Ohio, in which he completed the full prescribed course and was graduated as a member of the class of 1897. Upon thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he engaged in general practice at Omega, Pike County, reference to his professional career since that time being given in the opening paragraph of this sketch.

During the period of American participation in the World war Doctor Wills served on the Pike County Board of Examining Physicians in connection with the enlisting of soldiers and men for the navy, besides giving the full force of his influence and active service in furthering the success of all local patriotic movements and enterprises. He and his wife are prominent in connection with civic affairs in their home city and county. He is a prominent member of the Pike County Medical Society, besides being identified with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is now local surgeon for the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton Railroad, which is controlled by Henry Ford, the great automobile manufacturer. In the Independent Order of Odd Fellows he is serving (1923) as deputy grand master for the Sixty-eight Ohio District. He and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Waverly. Mrs. Wills, a woman of culture and gracious presence, is a loved and prominent figure in the social circles of her home community, and is influential in church work and civic affairs in general. She has much of leadership in popular sentiment and action in her home county, has passed various official chairs in the local chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and served as worthy matron for two terms, and takes deep interest in all that touches the welfare of the community, and is now president of the Waverly Literary Club and also of the Waverly Parent-Teachers' Association.

On Christmas Day of the year 1900 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Wills and Miss Georgia Elliott McCoppin, of Omega, this county. Mrs. Wills is a daughter of Robert S. and Sarah Jane (Washburn) McCoppin. Mr. McCoppin was station agent for the Norfolk & Western Railroad, he having there served also as township clerk and having been a justice of the peace for more than thirty years. He was a valiant soldier in the Civil war, as a member of Company I, Eighty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, in which he held the position of orderly sergeant. Mrs. Wills is the younger of the two children, and the older is Charles W. Doctor and Mrs. Wills have three children, Marion, Robert Lee and Richard Nelson. Miss Marion Wills, who was born within the period of her parents' residence at Hot Sulphur Springs, Colorado, was little more than an infant at the time of the return to Ohio, where she was reared to adult age and has received excellent educational advantages, she having won high honors in college work, at the present time being a junior at Ohio State University. Robert Lee Wills distinguished himself, at the age of twelve years, by winning highest honors in spelling contests at Waverly. It is scarcely necessary to state that Doctor Wills and his interesting family play a prominent part in the representative social life of Waverly.

William Horace Holverstott, president of the Citizens Building & Loan Association, and president of the Ninth District Ohio Building & Loan Association League, is one of the most aggressive financiers and sound business men of Marion, and a citizen of the highest standing whose influence in Marion County is wide-spread and permanent. He was born in Claridon Township, Marion County, Ohio, February 3, 1867, a son of Lafayette J. and Frances (Painter) Holverstott, both of whom are now deceased. The Holverstott family was established in Marion County by the paternal grandfather, and the father was born within its confines. His death occurred in 1877, on his farm in Claridon Township.

Growing to manhood in his native county, William H. Holverstott attended the local schools, and during a portion of two years was a student of Ada University. Purchasing a farm in the vicinity of Marion, he developed a splendid stock property known as Edgewood, and was engaged in feeding sheep and lambs for the market, but is now conducting a dairy farm with a magnificent herd of the Holstein strain.

In 1916 Mr. Holverstott retired from active participation in agriculture and located at Marion and organized the Marion Tire & Rubber Company, manufacturers of tires and tubes, which he served as president. In 1919 he became president of the Citizens Building & Loan Association, and, selling in 1922 his interest in the Marion Tire & Rubber Company, during all of that year he devoted himself exclusively to the expansion of the association. The following extract from the semi-annual financial statement of this company, issued December 21, 1923, gives some idea of the results of his hard and effective work in its behalf: "Another prosperous year has been the good fortune of the Citizens Building & Loan Association during 1923.

"The increase in deposits and resources for the year has been most satisfactory, and even more gratifying to us is the similar increase in the individual prosperity of our customers, as shown by their growing savings accounts.

"The sound condition of the association is well indicated by the financial statement on the following pages.

"Yet this statement does not show all our assets. Probably greater than any item listed are the confidence and trust so freely given to us by our patrons, and also the favorable opinion of the general public fostered by twenty-one years of unfailing service."

Mr. Holverstott is also a director of the National City Bank & Trust Company, and is president of the Realty Loan Company. A republican, he has always been active in politics, from 1905 to 1911 serving as commissioner of Marion County, and was a member of the County Executive Committee. He is a

member of the Marion Club, the Marion Country Club, the Marion Chamber of Commerce, and was a member of the Marion County War Board. A man of broad vision, he has long appreciated the need for good roads, and has long been a leader in this movement in this direction, and is now a trustee of the Ohio Good Roads Federation and is vice president of the Harding Highway Association. Fraternally he belongs to Marion Lodge No. 402, Knights of Pythias, of which he is a past chancellor commander; and to Marion Lodge No. 32, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is a past exalted ruler. It would be difficult to name anything of importance in the city or county with which he has not at one time or another been connected, and among other past achievements should be mentioned his presidency of the Harding Hotel Company. In assuming these different responsibilities he has done so with the full confidence of his associates, and has continued to shoulder them until he has placed matters upon a sound footing, when he has withdrawn and concentrated his efforts upon another enterprise in need of his efficient management.

On December 19, 1888, Mr. Holverstott married Miss Emma A. Dutton, of Newark, Ohio, a daughter of Francis and Sarah Dutton, both of whom are deceased. Mr. Dutton in life was a farmer of Licking County, Ohio.

CARMI R. JONES. In the fine old City of Chillicothe, judicial center of Ross County, a well ordered and significantly prosperous enterprise is that conducted under the title of the Scioto Beverage Company, and of this business Carmi R. Jones is the owner and manager, with secure standing as one of the progressive and popular business men of his native county.

Mr. Jones was born on the fine homestead farm of his father in Liberty Township, Ross County, and is the eldest in a family of nine children, brief record concerning the other children being consistently entered at this juncture: Arthur E., born July 21, 1887, is married and has five children; Fred F., born February 1, 1889, is married and is the father of one child; Clark Store, born August 15, 1890, is deceased; Marguerette, born October 9, 1893, is married and has one child; Mary Katherine, born July 11, 1897, is deceased; Henry was born December 18, 1899, and he and his wife have no children; Mason and Nelson, born respectively November 28, 1901, and August 28, 1904, are still eligible young bachelors at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1923. The parents, Carmi Van Anda Jones and Jessie Fremont (Jones) Jones, are both deceased, the father having died September 6, 1919, and the mother having preceded him to the life eternal. Carmi V. Jones was numbered among the most extensive and successful agriculturists and stock growers in Ross County, and his ability and investments made him an influential figure also in financial affairs in his home county. He and his wife were zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he not only held various official positions in the same but was frequently called upon to represent his church as a delegate to conferences and conventions. He was widely known and respected throughout Southern Ohio, and it is maintained that the attendance at his funeral was the largest ever marking such obsequies in Ross County. He was a son of Rodman and Mary K. (Hampton) Jones, and his father is still living, at the patriarchal age of eighty-seven years (1923). Rodman Jones is a son of Samuel Jones, the pioneer representatives of the family in Ohio having come from Pennsylvania and having made settlement in Ross County, where the community known as Jones Hill perpetuates the family name. The maternal grandparents of the subject of this review were Henry and Mary Jones, and they likewise were sterling citizens of this section of the Buckeye State. These two families named Jones could claim no kinship, even of remote order, the Henry Jones lineage tracing back to the State of New Jersey.

The invigorating atmosphere and discipline of the home farm compassed the boyhood and early youth of Carmi R. Jones, and after completing his studies in the public schools he was for two years a student in Ohio University at Athens. He then gave two years to successful service as a teacher in the district schools, and when this period expired he married and assumed the virtual management of the homestead farm of his father-in-law. He thus continued his active association with farm industry while supplementing his productive enterprise by the buying and shipping of live stock. After devoting twelve years to these enterprises he became a traveling salesman, a vocation in which he continued until March 1, 1923, when he became an interested principal in the Scioto Beverage Company, the history of which covers a period of fully forty years. He effected a reorganization of the company, the capital stock of which he now virtually controls, and he has since been the active manager of the business, which is showing a substantial expansion in scope and importance as the result of his progressive methods and policies.

Mr. Jones is aligned in the ranks of the republican party, is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in their home City of Chillicothe.

October 27, 1906, recorded the marriage of Mr. Jones and Miss Grace May Miller, daughter of George W. and Angeline (Long) Miller, well known citizens of Ross County, where Mr. Miller has an extensive landed estate and has had much of leadership in progressive farm industry. Of the Miller children the eldest is Clifford, who is married and has two children; Mamie is married and has seven children; Grace May, wife of the subject of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; and one child died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have one child Carmi R., Jr.

In the World war period Mr. Jones was registered in the fourth class, was called for active service and was ready to enter the United States Army when the armistice brought the great conflict to a close. In the meanwhile he had been active, loyal and liberal in supporting the various local movements of patriotic order, and had contributed to the full extent of his resources in subscriptions to the Government war loans, etc.

CHARLES WEBB SADLER, city manager of Sandusky, now serving in his second term, is a man of untiring energy and great public spirit, whose efforts have always been exerted in behalf of his community in a very practical way. A realtor of unusual ability, he has been engaged in different improvements, and more than one addition to the city owes its being to his broad vision and faith in this locality.

A native son of the city, for he was born here in February, 1882, he belongs to old and honored families of Sandusky and Erie County. He is a son of Charles W. and Emma L. (Marsh) Sadler, and grandson on the paternal side of Ebenezer B. and Emily (Webb) Sadler, he a native of Connecticut and one of the earliest circuit judges of Sandusky; and she, a native of Rochester, New York. The maternal grandparents were George and Caroline (Jones) Marsh, and he was a native of Massachusetts.

W. H. H. Curtiss, Jr. D.

Charles W. Sadler was born at Sandusky, and his wife was born at Cincinnati, Ohio. Both are now residents of Sandusky, Mr. Sadler having retired from his practice as a lawyer.

For two and one-half years Charles Webb Sadler was a student of the University of Michigan, but he left that institution to take the position of a chemist in a sugar factory at Fremont, Ohio, and he held it for a year. For the subsequent two years he was prospecting for iron in Minnesota, and sunk the first hole at Deerwood. Returning then to Sandusky, he entered upon what seems to be his life work, and became a realtor. He has laid out the larger portion of the allotments on the east and south ends of Sandusky, and developed Cable Park, one of the beautiful residential sections of the city. In January, 1922, he became city manager, and so well did he fill that position that after two years he was reappointed.

Mr. Sadler is unmarried. He belongs to Grace Episcopal Church of Sandusky. In politics he is independent, and he has been a member of the City Council. He is a Mason. Fond of outdoor sports, he finds pleasure in his connection with the Wyandotte Sporting Club, which he is now serving as president, and with the Castalia Front Club. Few men of the city and county are better known than he, and none are held in higher esteem by all who know them.

W. E. Alspaugh, for over thirty years was a successful figure in the agricultural and commercial affairs of Henry and Wood counties. His home was at McClure in Henry County, and he was both a business man and a farmer in that locality. His death occurred June 7, 1924.

He was born three and one-half miles east of Findlay, in Hancock County, Ohio, March 22, 1870, son of John J. and Elizabeth (Fox) Alspaugh. His father was born at Lithopolis, Ohio, and his mother, in Hancock County. They were married at Findlay, and for many years engaged in farming and subsequently retired.

W. E. Alspaugh grew up on a farm in Hancock County, attended the district schools there, and from 1884 until 1907 his home was in Wood County. He was a farmer there, and then removed to Henry County and continued farming for four years, and during the past twelve years was engaged in the hay and straw business at McClure. He owned a good home in the village, with five acres of ground, and had a 160-acre farm in Richfield Township.

Mr. Alspaugh married Miss Myrtle Fuller. Their children are: Ethel, Mabel, Roy, Elmer, John and Frances. Mabel and Roy are both graduates of the West Hope High School. Mrs. Alspaugh is a member of the United Brethren Church. Fraternally he was affiliated with all the York Rite bodies in Masonry, including Defiance Commandery No. 30 of the Knights Templar, and was a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias. He was a member of the Grange, was a republican, and served as township trustee and as a member of the School Board of Damascus Township, Henry County.

Rush D. Hiller is president of the Rush D. Hiller Company, undertakers and embalmers, and also president of the Hiller Embalming College and Necro Surgery at Canton.

Mr. Hiller was born at Brownsville, Pennsylvania, June 16, 1872. He was reared in Pittsburgh, attended the grammar and high schools of that city, and is a graduate of a regular medical college, having received his degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1898. After a brief period of practice of medicine he took up embalming at Pittsburgh, and followed his business in that city until March, 1916. In that year he came to Canton and associated himself with the Millard Blanchard Company, and in 1919 established his School of Embalming. In 1921 he bought out the Millard Blanchard Company. His business is located at 1037 Tuscarawas Street, West. Mr. Hiller has the finest funeral equipment at Canton, and his long experience and authoritative knowledge have enabled him to supply a perfect service.

He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Modern Woodmen of America, is a republican in politics, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is thoroughly public spirited in all his relations with the community. Mr. Hiller married Miss Laura G. Lauffer, of Apollo, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Hiller is a licensed embalmer and funeral director.

Walter Wilfro Hall Curtiss, M. D. A graduate of Ohio Medical College, and a physician and surgeon in this state for ten years, Doctor Curtiss made a splendid record as a medical officer during the World war, being overseas for many months. He has a large general practice at Dennison in Tuscarawas County.

He was born at East Haven, Connecticut, November 24, 1884, of New England ancestry. His parents, Charles Ira and Emeline A. (Hadsell) Curtiss, were both born in Massachusetts. Doctor Curtiss lived in Connecticut until he was sixteen, and after that in Westfield, Massachusetts, where he was graduated from high school in 1904. As a young man he spent some years working in shops, and paid the expenses of his education in the Ohio Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1914. For the next three years he was engaged in a general practice at Piedmont, Ohio.

In May, 1917, he volunteered and on June 28 was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps. He was called to active duty August 7, 1917, at Washington, and was soon attached to the British service, spending two months in a hospital in England, two months with the Eighteenth Field Ambulance in the Sixth Division of the British Expeditionary Forces in France, two weeks with the Second Durham Light Infantry, eighteen months with the Twenty-fourth Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, and was in Germany after the armistice. In November, 1918, he was promoted to the rank of captain. Doctor Curtiss received his honorable discharge at Camp Dix, New Jersey, May 2, 1919, having spent twenty months in service overseas. The doctor was the first man from Harrison County to go overseas.

After this military experience he resumed practice at Piedmont, but in February, 1920, moved to Dennison. While engaged in general practice he has made a specialty of obstetrics. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, is affiliated with the Royal Arch Chapter and Council degrees in York Rites Masonry, with the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite Consistory, with the Mystic Shrine and is a member of the American Legion, the Presbyterian Church and is a republican in politics. Doctor Curtiss married, in 1912, Miss Martha Hildreth, who was born at Westford, Massachusetts, and is a daughter of Julian and Myra (Whitney) Hildreth. Their four children are named Philip, Lois, Doris and Charles Francis. The accompanying plate is from a photograph taken in France in 1918.

Joseph Floyd Dixon is county superintendent of schools of Jackson County. His individual experience as an educator covers every phase of work from teaching in a one-room country school up to principal of grade and high schools, and he is one

of the well qualified men in the educational leadership of Southern Ohio.

He was born in Jackson County, April 22, 1887, son of Michael Marion and Emma (Brunton) Dixon, and grandson of Stephen and Sallie (McCoy) Dixon, and Henry and Harriet Brunton. The Dixons came to Ohio about 1820 from North Carolina, while the Bruntons were originally from Pennsylvania. Michael Marion Dixon and wife are still living, and he is a well known farmer and stock raiser of Jackson County, and has always been active in the public life of his township and community. He served twelve years on the school board, was for six years a director of the County Infirmary, and is an official member of the Christian Church. Joseph Floyd is the oldest of four living children. His brother, Lester, is deceased. Todd M. married Elizabeth Wastier, and has two children, named Herbert and Elizabeth. The other son, Henry, is unmarried. Annie is the wife of Herbert Gahm, and has two children.

Joseph Floyd Dixon was educated in the district schools of Jackson County, took his preparatory work in Ohio University at Athens, and in 1923 was graduated from Rio Grande College. In the meantime he had an extensive experience as a teacher. His first work was four years in a rural one-room school. Following that came one year as principal of the Centerville School, two years as principal of the Beaver High School, one year as principal of the Harvey School and one year in the Wellston High School. For two years he was principal of the Brinkerhoff High School at Mansfield. He served four years as district superintendent of Jackson County schools before he was elected county superintendent, an office he has held for the past five years.

He is a member of the Southeastern Ohio and Ohio State Teachers' associations and the National Educational Association. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and Knights of Pythias, and a Methodist. He married at Oakhill, Jackson County, in December, 1908, Miss Ethel Jones, daughter of Evan and Margaret (Edwards) Jones. She is the second in a family of seven children. The others were: Elmer; Jennie May; Elizabeth Pearl, wife of Luther Thomas and the mother of four children; Rosanna; David; and Margaret. Her father is a merchant at Oakhill, belongs to the Welsh Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masons, Knights of Pythias and Redmen. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon are named Margaret, Elizabeth and Ruth.

Walter Standish Smith, of Columbus, is the inventor of the Exact Weight Scale, a type of weighing scale made in a large number of styles, sizes and special designs and manufactured by the Smith Scale Company, of which Mr. Smith is vice president and general manager.

Mr. Smith, who has been in the scale business for over a quarter of a century, was born at Cincinnati, in August, 1877, son of Thomas T. and Victoria (Standish) Smith. His parents are now deceased. His father was for many years a commercial traveler representing a New York house, and made his home at Cincinnati and later at Columbus. Victoria Standish was a daughter of the late John Standish, a pioneer manufacturer of Columbus, where his daughter was born.

Walter Standish Smith gets his inventive ability from his maternal grandfather, who invented and manufactured weaving machinery, button making machinery, shoe pegging machinery and in partnership with Peter Hayden became an extensive manufacturer of hames, buckles and other harness accessories. They were the first firm in the United States to make use of prison contract labor, employing this labor from the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus.

John Standish was a direct descendant of Miles Standish of the Mayflower. On account of her New England ancestry Mrs. Victoria Smith was for many years active in the councils of the Colonial Dames, Mayflower Descendants, Daughters of the Revolution and other patriotic societies.

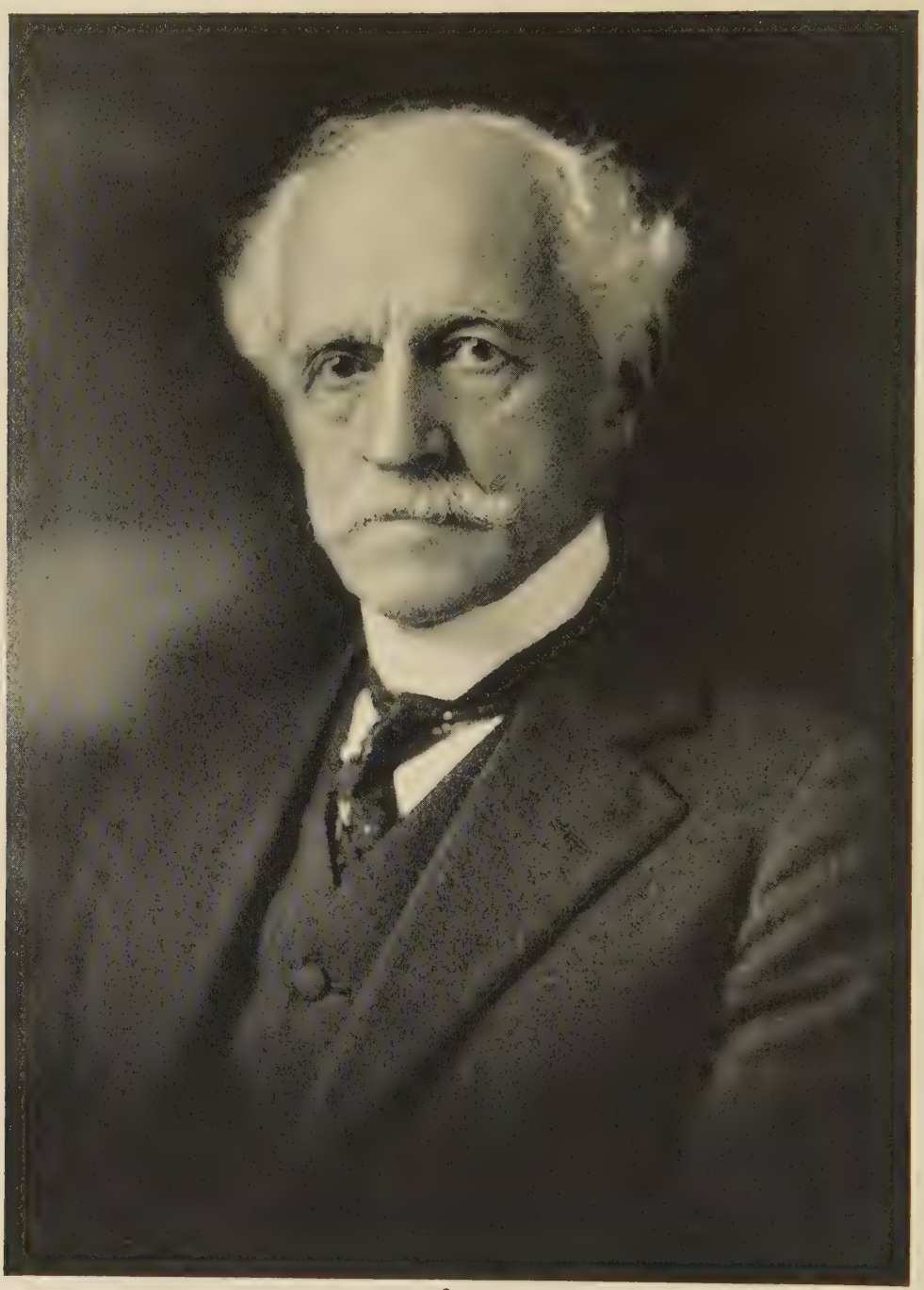
When Walter S. Smith was a child the family moved to Columbus. He attended school in that city, and as a young man started out as a salesman. In 1896 he became a representative of W. & T. Avery of Birmingham, England, the largest scale manufacturer in the world. He traveled and sold scales for twenty-one years, until in 1917 he left the road to establish the Smith Scale Company. While he was on the road he was using his opportunities to make a thorough study of all the scientific principles and technique involved in scale manufacture and operation, and it became particularly his ambition to devise a scale that would meet the constantly occurring criticisms which were directed against the ordinary type of scales. He proceeded from the principle that exact weight is one of the fundamentals of business, and in developing and patenting the Smith Exact Weight Scale he fulfilled three essential conditions, so that the scale in any condition of level, under any kind of vibratory conditions, and regardless of climatic conditions, gives accurate weight. For this achievement the Franklin Institute has recommended that he be awarded the Edward Casson medal for a notable discovery in science. In addition to accuracy the Smith Exact Weight Scale has a facility of operation that makes it practically foolproof. This is secured chiefly by a dial registering over or underweight on a wide indicator margin, so that even more than ordinary carelessness or indifference should hardly make an error of as much as 1 per cent.

These Smith Exact Weight scales have been manufactured in increasing quantities and a wide variety of designs at Columbus for five years, and the scales are now a part of the standard equipment of all the larger meat packing houses and a large number of the great wholesale and manufacturing grocers, confectioners, flour mills and other concerns requiring annually operated weighing machinery.

Alva Lawrence Mingus is proprietor of the flouring mills of Jackson, and has spent all his active career in mill construction and operation. He is of the fourth consecutive generation of the Mingus family to follow mill building and mill operation in Ohio. The family has a remarkable record in that particular industry.

His great-grandfather was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and he and his brother soon after the close of that war came down the Ohio River in boats and joined the original and first permanent colony planted in Ohio at Marietta, assisting in building the block house and protecting the settlement from Indians. The great-grandfather, Mingus, erected the first mill at Marietta. He and his brother owned the ground where the courthouse now stands in Marietta. Great-grandfather Mingus was killed during the War of 1812. His son, Bartlett J. Mingus, was also a millwright, and married Elizabeth Johnston.

Carlos A. L. Mingus, father of Alva Lawrence, has been a lifelong millwright and miller, and he lives at Vigo in Ross County. He is a member of the Masonic Order, and attends the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Florence May Ruthford, daughter of William and Sarah (Speakman) Ruthford, who are still living on their farm at Vigo.



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Carlos A. L. Mingus and wife had six children: Alva Lawrence; James, who died at the age of twenty-two; Gladys, who became the wife of James Craig, and has a daughter, Pauline Lydia; Glenn, who is married and has four children; Carlos A. L., Jr., who died at the age of five months; and Carlyle.

Alva Lawrence Mingus was born at Vigo in Ross County, Ohio, May 12, 1891. He attended public schools at Vigo, finishing his high school course there at the age of eighteen. Working under his father he learned the millwright trade and became an expert flour mill operator. For a number of years he was a millwright, constructing mills and operating them at various places. In 1919 he bought a ranch in New Mexico, and operated it for two years. In March, 1923, he bought the old Jackson Milling Company's property at Jackson. This is an industry established about 1854 by the Bunn Brothers and associates. The plant was operated for half a century as the Franklin Mill and subsequently improved and modernized by the Jackson Milling Company. The original founders also added a woolen mill to the plant. For many years it has been known as the Old Brick Mill of Jackson. Mr. Mingus has greatly improved the property since becoming its proprietor, and he does an exchange and general milling business, handling both hard and soft wheat. His mill produces what is regarded as the finest buckwheat flour in the Middle West. Mr. Mingus possesses a deed executed by the original owners of the property in 1865. As a miller Mr. Mingus was assigned to the fourth class during the World war, but was not called. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, is a Methodist and his wife is a Presbyterian.

On July 20, 1911, Mr. Mingus married Miss Edna May Long. The one child of this marriage is A. L. Mingus, Jr. On May 18, 1923, he married Nora Birt, of St. Joseph, Missouri, daughter of Ezra and Catherine Birt, both now deceased. Her mother died July 10, 1916. Her father was a Mason and farmer and a member of the Presbyterian Church. In the Birt family were eight children. Mary Birt, the oldest, married Thomas Gregory, and their four children were: Archie; Edward, who married Argelia Whitsell, and has a son, Gale Barton; Celia, who married Ray Bellis, and has a son, Leo Thomas; and Ida, who married Frank McWilliams, and has a daughter, Ruth. George F. Birt, the second child, married Laura Gibson, and has three children. Clyde Gibson, who married Pearl McWilliams, and has two children, named Elizabeth and Dorothy; Ocle, who married Eva Moler, and has two children, Billie and Gibson; Daphne D. Caroline Birt married Abraham Gregory, and their three children are: Myrtle, who married Milton Turney; Alta, who married Earl Windgate, and has a child, Norville; Hazel, who married Guy Cochrane, and has one son, Charles. Charles Birth, the fourth child, married Florence Mieser, and their children are: Nora, who married G. Clark; Emery; Virginia, who is married and has one child; Quinten; Virgie; and Kenneth. Elizabeth Birt married William Dawson, and their children are: Gertrude, who married Harry Bellis; Grace, who married Felix Murker, and has a daughter, Virginia; Pearl, unmarried; Opal, who married Leo Mathews. Raymond Dawson Birt married Opal Jackson, and has a daughter, Rose Mary. Andrew Birt married Viola Iba. Rhoda Birt married George Gregory, and has two children: Roscoe and Gwendolyn. The Birt family originated in Germany, first settled in New York and then went to Missouri. Mrs. Mingus' father was a farmer.

CHARLES B. SLACK. One of the prominent business men and highly esteemed citizens of Granville, Ohio, is Charles B. Slack, cashier of the Granville Bank, and having large farming interests in Licking County.

Charles B. Slack was born at Granville, Ohio, January 23, 1865, and was educated at Denison University. Subsequently he became well known in the educational field, and for five years was superintendent of the schools maintained in the Ohio State Penitentiary. In 1903 Mr. Slack was one of the founders of the Granville Bank at Granville, of which he is cashier and a member of its Board of Directors.

Mr. Slack's marriage was with Miss Dora McClain, of Granville, Ohio.

JUDGE D. W. JONES, who for many years was on the bench of the Common Pleas Court of Ohio, has practiced law since about 1880, and for the past twenty years has been a resident of Marietta. It was during the administration of Governor Bushnell that he was appointed judge of the Third Subdivision of the Seventh Judicial District.

Judge Jones was born in Vinton County, Ohio, October 16, 1855, son of David and Maria (Bothwell) Jones. His family is of Welsh descent, and its members have been prominent throughout several Southern Ohio Counties, including Vinton, Ross and Pickaway. David Jones was one of the intelligent and progressive men of his day, both as a farmer and citizen. He taught school in early life, and always kept himself well informed. He was an abolitionist before the Civil war, began voting as a whig and later voted as a republican and held a number of local offices and was also a member of the Ohio State Legislature from a district comprising several counties in Southern Ohio. As a farmer he specialized in the raising and breeding of sheep. He bought his stock in Vermont, making periodical visits for that purpose, and as a breeder he shipped his own animals all over the country. Maria Bothwell, mother of Judge Jones, was one of the interesting women of her days, very liberal minded and attending church where she could hear the best sermon. The family home was at McArthur. David Jones had a large house and extensive grounds. It was a center for the liberal hospitality of that day, many social gatherings being held there. Mrs. Maria Jones had two sons in the army during the Civil war, and she did a great deal of work more recently performed by the Red Cross, preparing bandages and other supplies for the sick and wounded. David Jones was born in 1804 and died in 1866. His wife was born in 1812 and survived her husband about a year. Her father was James Bothwell, who came from Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and was a pioneer in Vinton County. James Bothwell married Charlotte Potter, who was born in 1788, and died at a venerable age in 1875. Charlotte Potter had read medicine, and did an extensive practice all over Southern Ohio as a midwife. She attended 2,200 births with the loss of only one mother, and in that case it is said the fault was due to the mother. David and Maria Jones reared eight of their ten children to maturity, and seven of them passed the age of fifty. The two sons in the Civil war were Homer C. and James Kimble, and both were captains in Ohio troops. Homer later became an attorney at McArthur. James K. was in the sheep business with his father, and has since removed to Northern Missouri and engaged in the live stock business. The son Mordica B. went to Kansas, where he was a farmer. Charlotte, who died in 1921, at the age of eighty-nine, became the wife of J. Watson Rannells, of Vinton County. Eliza J. was the wife of J. A. Fulton, of McArthur, and died when upwards of seventy years of age. The daughter Cidna M. became the wife of Elijah C. Rockhold, of Bainbridge, Ohio, and was sixty-two years old when she died in 1913.

Judge D. W. Jones spent his boyhood at McArthur, acquiring his early education at the local schools there. Congressman John T. Wilson secured an appointment for him as a cadet in the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, but soon after graduating he resigned from the navy and returning to McArthur, taught school for three years and carried on his law studies in the office of his brother. He was admitted to the bar at the age of twenty-five. He had also become proficient in stenography, and as a young lawyer in Gallia County, did a great deal of court reporting. For three years he was associated with his brother in the firm of Jones and Jones at Gallipolis, and then formed a partnership with Samuel A. Nash. This partnership was dissolved when he was appointed judge of the Common Pleas Court in 1898. Judge Jones was on the bench for seventeen years, and in order to be near the center of his district he moved his home to the City of Marietta in 1903.

Judge Jones in 1889 married Laura R. Shober, a daughter of Wm. Shober of Gallipolis. She died in 1900, and was the mother of four children. The oldest, Capt. Paul S. Jones, studied law and was engaged in practice with his father until the time of the World war, when he promptly enlisted and was ordered to report at Camp Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, where he took special training and was commissioned as second lieutenant of regulars and assigned to the Fifty-eighth Regiment, Fourth Division. While on duty on the battle line on the Marne in France, in the first day of fighting, the captain of his company lost his life and soon afterward the second in command was disabled, so that the responsibility of the command devolved upon young Lieutenant Jones. Captain Jones made a splendid record in the World war and since has remained in the Regular Army, now having the rank of captain. The second child of Judge Jones is Elizabeth M., a graduate of Johns Hopkins School of Nursing who later took the public administration of nursing at Columbia University, also receiving a degree. Florence B. Jones married J. J. Leidecker, Jr., of the Leidecker Tool Company of Marietta. Laurance W., the youngest child, is a graduate of the Milwaukee School of Engineering.

Judge Jones in 1903 married as his second wife Harriet Dyer Lord, daughter of Caleb Lord, of Alfred, Maine, and niece of Isaac W. Dyer of Portland, Maine. Judge Jones lost his second wife by death on February 5, 1922. He is a member of the Episcopal Church, has held all the chairs in the lodge of Knights of Pythias of Gallipolis, and is a member of the Marietta Reading Club and the County Club. His favorite diversion is golf.

William Annat. A mercantile establishment that has been prospering and performing a distinctive service in and around Wooster for many years is the William Annat Company, dry goods, the founder and president of which, William Annat, came to this country from Scotland, and is a man of most thorough experience in his line of business.

Mr. Annat was born in the County of Forfar, Scotland, son of thrifty farming people of that section, Charles and Mary (Mann) Annat. He was one of five children, two sons and three daughters.

After acquiring a common school education William Annat came to America, at the age of eighteen, alone, and for three years lived in Oxford County, Ontario, Canada, working as a dry goods clerk. After another year spent in London, Ontario, he came to the United States, and for five years was employed by a dry goods house at Cleveland. Mr. Annat first engaged in business for himself as a dry goods merchant at Columbus, but after three years moved to Wooster and founded the William Annat Company, which he has conducted now for thirty years or more. He has made it one of the best dry goods and department stores in Wayne County. Mr. Annat is also a director and vice president of the Prospect Huron Realty Company of Cleveland.

Mr. Annat has cultivated some of the wholesome interests of life. After his business he finds recreation and inspiration in books and literature, and is thoroughly devoted to his home and the welfare of his community. For two years, 1892-93, he served as a trustee of Wooster College. He is a republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

At Lima, Ohio, in October, 1885, he married Miss Vinnie Harper, daughter of Dr. W. H. Harper, of Lima. Two sons and three daughters have been born to their marriage. The son, William Harper Annat, is a graduate of Harvard University, is a practicing attorney at Cleveland, and is unmarried. Charles Annat, the second son, also unmarried, is a graduate of Wooster High School, and left the sophomore class in Wooster College to enlist in the field artillery at the time of the World war. He was in training at Camp Sheridan, in 1918 attended the Officers' Training School at Camp Taylor, being commissioned second lieutenant of field artillery in October, 1918, and after that was on duty at Camp Wadsworth until mustered out. After the war he continued his education in Harvard University, and since then has been actively identified with his father's business at Wooster. The three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Annat are: Mary, wife of C. N. Osborne, of Cleveland; Clarissa, wife of Walter W. Tyler, of Wooster; and Adelia, who was married to Edward P. Shupe, of Cleveland.

Robert Henderson, M. D. It is not unusual at all to find that the man who has received the arduous training necessary to a medical practitioner of today is one who has both the ability and inclination to devote himself to public matters, for his intellect has been developed and his judgment matured through knowledge and experiences that do not come into the life of the ordinary citizen. One of these medical men of wide vision and broad public usefulness in Champaign County is Dr. Robert Henderson, of Urbana.

Doctor Henderson was born at Parkersburg, Virginia, now West Virginia, March 22, 1851, a son of Richard H. and Ann Maria (Shanklin) Henderson, both natives of Virginia. Reared at Parkersburg and Wheeling, Doctor Henderson completed in the latter city his common school work, and in 1878 he was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Maryland.

For a short period after his graduation he was engaged in the practice of medicine in West Virginia, but then came to Ohio, and until the fall of 1884, remained at New Mansfield in Clark County. At that time he came to Urbana, and here he has found congenial surroundings and has built up a very large general practice. He maintains membership with the Champaign County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. The Masonic fraternity has him as a zealous member.

Always active as a democrat, Doctor Henderson has been called upon to work strenuously for his party, and was a member of the Constitutional Convention from Champaign County. He also served for some years as chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee. In 1921 he was prevailed upon to permit the use of his name on the party ticket for the office of mayor of Urbana, was elected, and in 1923 he again was a candidate on his record, and was elected by a large majority. During his occupancy of the office of mayor he has greatly improved the work of the department of health and

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the general sanitary condition of Urbana. At present he is serving as president of the National Bank of Urbana.

In 1875 Doctor Henderson married Elizabeth S. Thomas, of Point Pleasant, West Virginia. They have two children: Richard T., who is a physician, is now associated with his father in the practice of medicine. He married Phoebe Hinchman, of Urbana. Helen, the second child of Doctor and Mrs. Henderson, married William C. Bonebreak, a civil engineer of the Pennsylvania Railroad, residing at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Emily Blakeslee, M. D., has been established in the practice of her profession in the City of Sandusky since the year 1897, and has won precedence and popularity as one of the able and representative woman physicians and surgeons of her native state, a state in which her paternal great-grandfather made settlement fully a century ago.

Doctor Blakeslee was born on the parental homestead farm in Medina County, Ohio, and is a daughter of Edwin Charles Blakeslee and Alice (Warner) Blakeslee, both likewise natives of Medina County. Edwin C. Blakeslee passed his entire life in Medina County, where he long had precedence as a progressive and successful exponent of farm industry and where his death occurred in the earlier part of the second decade of the present century, his widow still remaining on the old home farm, which is endeared to her by the gracious memories and associations of many years. Mrs. Blakeslee, who is now seventy-six years of age (1924), has the affectionate regard of the community that has so long represented her home, and with her remains her son, Elihu, who has gained far more than local fame as an entomologist.

Doctor Blakeslee is a granddaughter of Burritt and Caroline (Welton) Blakeslee, the former of whom was a lifelong resident of Medina County, Ohio, and the latter of whom was a native of Massachusetts. Burritt Blakeslee was a son of Gad and Anna (Latin) Blakeslee, who were born and reared in Connecticut, of Colonial New England ancestry. About the year 1824 Gad Blakeslee and three of his brothers came to Ohio, the greater part of the long overland journey having been made with ox teams, and he became one of the pioneer settlers in Medina County, where he passed the remainder of his life and lived up to the full tension of frontier experience. The maternal grandparents of Doctor Blakeslee were Walter and Mary (Fitch) Warner, the former having been born in Medina County, a member of a sterling pioneer family of that section of the Buckeye State, and his wife having been born in Massachusetts.

In the public schools of her native county Doctor Blakeslee continued her studies until her graduation from the Medina High School, and in consonance with an ambition that was not to be thwarted she finally matriculated in the Cleveland Medical College, in which she made an admirable student record and in which she was graduated as a member of the class of 1897. In the year in which she thus received her degree of Doctor of Medicine she opened an office in the City of Sandusky, and the broad scope and representative character of her practice at the present time indicate alike her professional ability, her earnest stewardship in her chosen vocation and her secure place in popular confidence and esteem. The doctor has kept in touch with the advances made in the line of her profession, is a close student of the best standard and periodical literature pertaining to medical and surgical science, and has taken effective post graduate courses in leading medical schools and clinics in New York City, and also at the Medical School of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland. She has membership in the Erie County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In using the right of franchise she is an independent voter, and supports men and measures meeting the approval of her judgment. She is an earnest communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church. So far as her professional ministration admit such diversion Doctor Blakeslee is a popular factor in the social and cultural circles of her home city.

George M. Crawford has been actively identified with business affairs in the City of Steubenville, Jefferson County, for more than thirty years, and during the entire period of his residence here his allegiance has been with the concern of which he is now secretary and treasurer, as well as a director—The Beall-Steele Drug Company, which controls a substantial and important wholesale drug business throughout the territory normally tributary to Steubenville as a distributing center.

Mr. Crawford was born at Hollidays Cove, West Virginia, on the Ohio River and directly opposite the City of Steubenville, Ohio, and the date of his nativity was March 11, 1869. He is the youngest of the four children born to John C. and Mary (Porter) Crawford, the latter of whom was a daughter of James and Elizabeth (McCandles) Porter. Representative of the McCandles family were patriot soldiers in the War of the American Revolution. John C. Crawford was born in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in the year 1830, and he became one of the most successful and progressive exponents of farm industry in the western part of West Virginia, where he became the owner of a valuable landed estate of 650 acres, a portion of which is now the site of the vital little City of Weirton. Mr. Crawford gave a due amount of attention to diversified agriculture, but in his farm enterprise specialized in the raising of horses and cattle of excellent grade. He was influential in community affairs, and for many years served as president of the School Board of his township. He was a staunch supporter of the principles of the democratic party, and he and his wife were zealous members of the Presbyterian Church. The original American representatives of the Crawford family came from Londonderry, Ireland, several generations ago. The death of John C. Crawford occurred in 1885, and his widow survived him more than thirty years, she having been of venerable age at the time of her death, in 1919. Of the children the eldest was James B., whose death occurred in 1905. He married Jennie Bustard, and they became the parents of two children, Archibald and Allison, the latter of whom is deceased. William A. married Mary Lee, of Hollidays Cove, West Virginia, and they reside at Erie, Pennsylvania, their four children being Lee, John, Robert and Porter. Elizabeth is the wife of Herbert Hinley, and they maintain their home in Coventry, England, their one child being a son, Herbert, Jr.

George M. Crawford gained his initial experience of practical order through his youthful association with the activities of the home farm on which he was born, in the immediate vicinity of Hollidays Cove, West Virginia, in the public schools of which place he acquired his earlier education. Thereafter he pursued a course of higher study by attending Linsly Institute at Wheeling, West Virginia, and by completing a business course in Duff's Mercantile College in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in the year 1888. He then became bookkeeper and general accountant in a general merchandise store at New Cumberland, West Virginia, and his next advancement was to the position of auditor of the Relief Tow Boat Company, operating on the Ohio River. Within a

short time thereafter he assumed a similar position with the Clifton Fire Brick Company at New Cumberland, and it was one year later, in 1890, that he came to Steubenville, Ohio, and took the position of accountant in the offices of the Beall & Steele Drug Company, with which concern he has continued to be associated during all the intervening years. In 1903 the business was incorporated under the present title, the Beall-Steele Drug Company, and he was then made its secretary and treasurer, as well as a member of its board of directors, positions of which he has since continued the efficient and progressive incumbent. Mr. Crawford is a stockholder also in other important business corporations of Steubenville, and in 1924 he is serving as vice president of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, of which he had previously been a director. His civic liberality has found expression through this organization and also through other avenues along which he has been able to do his part in the advancing of the civic and material welfare of the community. He was active in furthering all local service of patriotic order in the World war period. He has membership in the local Rotary Club, the Century Club, the Steubenville Credit Association, the Steubenville Automobile Club, of which he is treasurer, and the Steubenville Country Club. He is vice president of the Steubenville Building & Loan Association, and a director in other corporations in his home city. He and his family have membership in the Presbyterian Church.

In October, 1896, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Crawford and Miss Minnie Chapman, younger of the two children of Thomas S. and Christine (Foreman) Chapman, the latter of whom is living. Mr. Chapman, whose death occurred in 1905, was a specially progressive and successful exponent of fruit culture in West Virginia, where he developed and improved a fine fruit farm. Frank A., elder of the two children of the Chapman family, is a representative lawyer at Wellsburg, West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Crawford had two children: Stanton C. married Miss Mary Parks, and their one child is a winsome daughter, Nancy; and Mary is the wife of Robert Stuart, of Steubenville. Mrs. Crawford died September 25, 1920.

James A. Nuckols, D. C., who is established in the successful practice of his profession at Wilmington, judicial center of Clinton County, was graduated from the National College of Chiropractic in the City of Chicago, and has been engaged in active practice since 1914, the year 1920 having marked the initiation of his professional work at Wilmington, and his practice here being of representative order.

While analysis of the surname of Nuckols seems to indicate a remote German origin, the American branch of the family traces its lineage to a sturdy Scotchman, who was a substantial shipbuilder in Scotland, where he maintained his home in the City of Glasgow. According to well established family tradition there were nine Nuckols' brothers who came from Scotland to America, and their posterity is now scattered about in different states of the Union. Investigations made by representatives of later generations of the family all seem to indicate a common ancestor, the Glasgow shipbuilder. The southern branch of the family is apparently the more numerous and has perpetuated the patronymic through a greater number of male children than has the branch of the family north of the Mason and Dixon line. The Nuckols in Ohio are direct representatives of the Virginia branch of the family. In 1816 Andrew J. Nuckols came from Virginia to Ross County, Ohio, Chillicothe, that county, having then been the political center of this state. Edmund J. Nuckols, grandfather of Doctor Nuckols, of this review, was a lad of seven years at the time of this family migration from Virginia. The family became possessed of 400 acres of land in the Fruitdale District, a portion of this ancestral estate being still in the possession of the family. Edmund J. Nuckols had four sons who attained to maturity, and one of these was James A. Nuckols, father of him whose name initiates this sketch.

James A. Nuckols, Sr., wedded Martha R. Howe, a representative of another of the sterling pioneer families of Ross County. Representatives of the Howe family served as soldiers in the War of 1812, and both the Nuckols and Howe families gave valiant soldiers in the Civil war. James A. Nuckols, Sr., is now deceased, and his widow is a resident of Wilmington, Ohio. Dr. James A. is the eldest of the children, and the others are: Frank R., Bert S., Calvin M. and Dr. Otto L. While in America the family name has to a large extent been closely associated with agricultural industry, there have also been skilled mechanics and professional men in the later generations. Some of the first and second generations of the Ohio branch attained to ripe old age, but of these two generations not one now remains. While in Virginia the men of the Nuckols' line voted the democratic ticket, the Ohio representatives have given in larger number an allegiance to the republican party, from the time of its organization to the present. While the early generations were too fully concerned with the reclaiming of wild land to cultivation to have much thought for special fraternal or organized social life, Doctor Nuckols of this review is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, his brothers likewise being identified with fraternal organizations. Many representatives of the family have been numbered among the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, while the Baptist Church has claimed from the family a goodly number of members.

Dr. James A. Nuckols was born in Ross County, Ohio, and his early education was obtained in the public schools. Of his professional training and work adequate record has been given in an early paragraph of this review. The doctor wedded Miss Bertha J. Zehner, a representative of an old and well known Indiana family.

Robert H. Zehring. One of the reliable and industrious members of his profession at Miamisburg, who has been before the public in an official capacity in which he gained numerous friends and supporters, Robert H. Zehring, ex-city attorney, is likewise known as one of the strong and able members of republican party in his locality. A native son of this locality, he has passed his entire professional career at Miamisburg, and has not only built up a large and representative practice and risen to an acknowledged place in his calling, but has also won general public confidence and esteem.

Mr. Zehring was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, November 16, 1882, and is a son of Horace W. and Anne (Gebhart) Zehring. Horace Zehring is a well known agriculturist of Montgomery County who has gained success through hard work and good management of his property, and who while so doing has secured the respect of his fellow citizens. Robert H. Zehring attended the public schools of Miamisburg, and after his graduation from high school enrolled as a student in the Ohio State University, subsequently pursuing a course in the Cincinnati Law School, where he received his degree. At that time he was admitted to the bar and at once began practice at Miamisburg, where he has built up a large practice and has been identified with much of

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the important litigation that has come before the State and Federal courts. He represents as attorney, among others, the First National Bank and the Mutual Building & Loan Company. Mr. Zehring is a member of the Dayton Bar Association. A republican in politics, he has been very active in state affairs, and during 1920 and 1921 served in the capacity of city attorney of Miamisburg. He belongs to the Phi Alpha Delta College law fraternity, of which the late President Harding was a member, and is a Blue Lodge and Chapter Mason, a Knight of Pythias and an Odd Fellow, being a past grand of his lodge in the last named order. Likewise he belongs to the Business Men's Club of Miamisburg, and takes an active part in movements calculated to advance the interests of the city and its people.

On November 16, 1916, Mr. Zehring was united in marriage with Miss Fannie L. Dodd, of Miamisburg, daughter of Charles W. and Jennie (Andrews) Dodd, the former of whom was a retired tobacco merchant of Miamisburg. Mrs. Zehring, a woman of numerous accomplishments and graces, was educated at the Miamisburg High School, the Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, and Oberlin College, specializing in music, which she taught for a time. She is active in the club and social life of Miamisburg, where she is very popular. She and her husband are the parents of three children: Martha L., aged six years; Lois M., aged five years; and Robert H., Jr., aged three years.

Oliver T. Sproull, M. D. As a student and practitioner, Doctor Sproull has given more than forty years of his life, all the time since early youth to his profession, and has earned a high rank and mark of distinguished service in Southern Ohio, particularly in his home community of West Union.

Doctor Sproull was born in Meigs Township, Adams County, January 5, 1863, son of Robert C. and Sarah (Thoroman) Sproull. His parents were farmers and both are now deceased. Doctor Sproull was named for his maternal grandfather, Oliver Thoroman.

Reared in the country, attending first the public schools of Adams County, and afterwards the Normal School in Adams County, taking one term of instruction in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Doctor Sproull prepared for his profession in the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, now the Medical Department of the University of Maryland. He was graduated in 1886. From that year until 1901, he practiced at Bentonville and since 1901 has had his home and offices at West Union, though his practice is drawn from a wide section of Adams County. He is a member of the Adams County Medical Society, and the Ohio State Medical Association and is a fellow of the American Medical Association.

Doctor Sproull also has a record of service as a medical officer. He was commissioned in 1917 a first lieutenant in the Army and Medical Corps and was stationed on duty at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He is now a captain in the Medical Reserve Corps, and in 1924 spent two weeks in special training at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. Doctor Sproull is a democrat.

He married in 1888 Miss Agnes B. Treber, who was born five miles east of West Union, a daughter of William and Melissa (Thoroman) Treber. Doctor and Mrs. Sproull have a family of very talented children, all of them college graduates. Clarence T., graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Miami University, is now a teacher in the public schools at Los Angeles, California, and lives at San Pedro, near that city. The eldest daughter, Hazel, is a Bachelor of Arts graduate of Miami University. She taught in the high schools for three years and is now a sophomore in the Medical Department, University of Cincinnati. Miss Grace, who graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree Magna Cum Laude from Miami University, was an exchange student in France in 1922-1923, taking studies in the famous Sorbonne University at Paris, and had a fellowship in the Ecole Normale, Saint Germaine En Laye, near Paris. She is now a teacher in the high school at Plainwell, Michigan.

James Miller, M. D. The heavy demands made by the community of Corning in Perry County upon the profession of medicine and surgery have been ably met by Dr. James Miller during the last quarter of a century. Doctor Miller is a man of thorough education in his profession, and developed his self reliance in his early youth while working to get his training and the qualifications for a professional career. He is a very fine physician.

He was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, December 17, 1873, son of James and Jane (Williamson) Miller. His father, a coal miner, brought his family to the United States in 1880, locating at Leetonia in Columbiana County, Ohio, and later moving to Corning in Perry County. He died in 1915, at the age of sixty-two, and his wife passed away in 1913. She was a leader in church work, active in the Presbyterian denomination, and taught the first Sunday School in Corning. James Miller and wife had three sons, two of whom became physicians and the other, a business man. Dr. Robert W. Miller is now practicing at Hamlock in Perry County. D. W. Miller is a merchant at Corning.

Dr. James Miller as a boy attended public schools at Leetonia, and later at Buckingham and Corning. During vacations he worked in the mine and followed that and other work to pay his way. For four years he was in school at Buckingham, taking the regular high school, and also had normal training under Prof. C. W. Cookson at Shawnee. His medical college course he took at Georgetown University at Washington D. C. He was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1899, and at once located at Congo, Ohio, where he remained for eight years, coming then to Corning, where he has a large practice in the country and among the mining population. In a business way he is also a director of the Corning Bank and is president of the Dixie Coal Mining Company.

On December 31, 1901, Doctor Miller married Miss Mary Peart, who was born at New Castle, England, daughter of Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Wilson) Peart. Mrs. Miller was educated at Shawnee, at Curry University, at Pittsburgh and at Denison University at Granville, Ohio, and is a prominent factor in educational circles in Perry County. She is now a member of the local school board and has been a candidate for the county school board. Doctor and Mrs. Miller have one daughter, Jane Elizabeth, now attending Laurel School for Girls at Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Miller is a member of the Baptist Church, and Doctor Miller is affiliated with the Knights Templar Commandery of Masons and the Shrine, also with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at New Lexington, Ohio.

Charles Elmer Knapp, business man of Lodi, Medina County, member of the Legislature, church man and public spirited citizen, has a record impressive because of his rise above humble circumstances.

He was born in a railroad shanty that stood along the Erie Railroad in Westfield Township, Medina County. His parents were poor but industrious people, and his family connections were of solid pioneer stock. His birth occurred December 28, 1868. His grandparents came to Ohio from

Pennsylvania, and the Knapps are of Welsh ancestry. Judson Samuel Knapp, his father, was born in Medina County, and was a man of wonderful physical build, standing six feet five inches tall and of proportionate strength. He was a Union soldier in the One Hundred and Sixty-sixth Ohio Infantry during the Civil war. By trade he was a stone mason and plasterer. He lived in Medina and Wayne counties during the boyhood of his son, Charles E., and later went to Michigan, where he died. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, was a republican in politics, and a staunch advocate of prohibition. His wife, Mary Elizabeth Bair, also a native of Medina County, was of frail constitution, and died in 1879, when her son Charles E. was eleven years of age. There were eight children altogether.

Charles Elmer Knapp attended such schools as were available, and after the death of his mother he became largely self supporting. He worked on farms at twenty-five cents a day, and frequently worked for his board and clothing and a little schooling on the side. In 1890 he entered the high school at Lodi, and graduated in 1894. As a youth he learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for some time. He also became an adjuster of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company of Medina County, and later became secretary and treasurer of this organization. From the carpenter's trade he got into contracting, and gradually added the real estate and insurance business. He was the first real estate agent at Lodi. For years his business and civic connections have been those of a man of real leadership and substantial character.

He was elected to represent Medina County in the Ohio Legislature in 1922. For twelve years he has served as member of the county committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, and has been a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Lodi, and a teacher in the Sunday School. In 1923 he was chosen a delegate to the Lay-Electoral Conference of the Northeast Ohio Conference. Mr. Knapp is a man of great energy, quick decision, prompt in action, a ready speaker and at all times deserving of the trust and confidence placed in him by his fellow citizens.

He married Miss Roxalana Elizabeth Feazel, who was born and reared in Medina County, daughter of John T. Feazel. Her father was a Civil war veteran, a farmer by occupation and a democrat in politics. Mr. and Mrs. Knapp have one daughter, Mabel Ernestine, now the wife of Dr. C. Buckley. Mr. Knapp is affiliated with Harrisville Lodge No. 137, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

Robert C. Marion Lewis, M. D. A resident of Marion for a quarter of a century, Doctor Lewis is one of the distinctive medical men of Ohio, and has contributed not only the service of a busy practitioner, but also the influence and leadership required in organizations of a professional nature. He has been prominent in civic and community affairs.

He was born at Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio, August 20, 1858, of Welsh and Scotch ancestry. His great-grandfather, Andrew Lewis, was a soldier with General Washington in the Revolution. Another ancestor, Capt. John Lewis, was in the War of 1812. His father, Samuel Lewis, born near Fredericksburg, Virginia, as a young man came to Ohio and was a boot and shoe maker at Coshocton, Ohio. He entered the Union army in the Civil war as sergeant of Company G of the One Hundred and Twenty-second Ohio Infantry, serving until wounded at the battle of Winchester, Virginia, and died from those wounds in 1866. Samuel Lewis married Nancy Hagan, a daughter of Robert C. Hagan, a native of Virginia who located in Ohio in 1839. She died at the age of sixty-nine. Her brother, George W. Hagan, was commander of the gunboat Cincinnati during the Civil war.

Robert C. Marion Lewis attended public schools for three years, living with his brother in St. Louis, Missouri, where at the age of seventeen he entered the St. Louis Medical College. He was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1878. For twenty years Doctor Lewis conducted a general practice at Centerburg in Knox County, where he also acted as surgeon for the Cleveland, Akron & Cincinnati Railway Company and the Toledo & Ohio Central Railway Company. In the meantime he attended Columbus Medical College and earned the degree of Doctor of Medicine from that institution, special courses at the Bellevue Hospital and the New York Post Graduate Hospital in 1890. Following that, in 1899 he located at Marion, where he has since continued in general practice and for twelve years was surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railway Company. During the twenty-five years he has been a resident at Marion he has served five times as president of the Marion County Medical Society.

At his own expense, Doctor Lewis incorporated and since its organization has been president of the Marion County Humane Society. He is a member of the Civil Service Commission of Marion, and while a resident of Centerburg he was twice mayor of the village. He is a republican and is active in the Presbyterian Church and Sunday School. A diversion from his profession is a fine dairy farm near Marion, where he grows pure bred Jersey cattle, Duroc Jersey hogs, and has exhibited some prize winning stock.

Doctor Lewis has been councillor for the Third District of the Ohio State Medical Association, has represented the State Society as a delegate to the American Medical Association, and has been vice-president of the North Central Ohio Medical Society. He is a member of the Mississippi Valley Medical Society. For many years Doctor Lewis has been contributing articles and papers based on his own experience as a physician and surgeon to various medical journals. Some of his papers have appeared in the Medical Fortnightly; he has written a prize essay for the Therapeutic Digest, and also papers for the Columbus Medical Journal, the American Medical Compend and the medical journals of the states of Virginia, Texas and Ohio. Doctor Lewis is affiliated with Marion Lodge No. 70, Free and Accepted Masons; Marion Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons; Marion Council No. 22, Royal and Select Masters; Marion Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar, and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He married at Mount Vernon, Ohio, October 7, 1882, Lucy C. Holmes, of Williamsport, Pennsylvania. She was a graduate of the Dickinson Seminary and the Boston Conservatory of Music, and was appreciated as a woman of unusual culture and musical taste. She died in April, 1907. Doctor Lewis has one daughter, Nancy Lillian, a graduate of Oberlin College, now the wife of Charles D. Hayden, an attorney at Columbus.

Dr. Peter D. Bixel, one of the distinguished physicians and surgeons of this part of the state, was born on a farm one mile north of Bluffton, Ohio, Allen County, on the 21st of April, 1865, and is the son of Abraham and Magdalene (Schumacher) Bixel, who have followed the occupation of farming the greater portion of their lives. They are both alive, though well advanced in years. The father was born in Holmes County in 1843 and the mother in Allen County in 1842, and they now reside in Pandora, where they are well known and highly

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esteemed. The father was reared on a farm and received a sound common school education, and in youth was trained by his parents in the best and most profitable methods of modern agriculture. He was thus able, when he began for himself, to cultivate the soil properly and to rear herds of domestic animals with success and credit. His wife was also reared on a farm, and was no doubt able to help him in his farming ventures.

Their marriage took place in Allen County, Ohio, in 1864. It was to that county that Abraham was brought by his parents when he was a small boy, perhaps not more than five years old. The father of Abraham was Peter Bixel, who was a native of Bern, Switzerland, and came to the United States after his marriage and located in Holmes County and then in Allen County, Ohio, where he and his wife lived the remainder of their lives, engaged in farming. Those were early times, and the hardships are almost wholly unknown to the present generations. Yet life then was enjoyed as much as at present, where good health could be secured and assured and bodily comforts were present in abundance.

Abraham Bixel was the fifteenth child of a family of sixteen born to Peter Bixel and wife. It is not difficult to picture in the mind what the rearing of such a large family meant to the parents. The mother of Dr. Peter D. was the second child of a family of sixteen children born to her parents. The mind picture may still further be extended when all this is taken into consideration. Abraham Bixel became the father of twelve children, facts that indicate a superior physical and mental development in both factions of this remarkable branch of the human race. Abraham was given a common district school education, as also were all his brothers and sisters. He became a farmer by occupation, and was a citizen who possessed the respect and confidence of his neighbors. Of his twelve children eight are yet living in 1923. Two of these children became professional men. John Bixel received a sound education and in early years began to develop a taste for specialties of an unusual character. It is not too strong to state that he was by nature an artist of unusual merit and capacity. His taste for music induced him to make a special study of that fine art, with the result that today he is a professor of music in the City of Seattle, Washington, and is conspicuous for his artistic gifts and inspirations.

His brother, Dr. Peter D. Bixel, was reared on his father's farm one mile north of Bluffton, Ohio, and received his first educational training in the common schools in that vicinity. At the same time he spent many months each year working in the weedy fields and feeding and caring for their domestic animals. While yet comparatively a young man he took a preparatory course for the practice of medicine at Cincinnati, Ohio, and a little later entered the Eclectic Medical College at Cincinnati, took the full prescribed course, and was graduated in the class of 1901 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Soon afterward he located at Bluffton, Ohio, where he opened offices and began the practice of both medicine and surgery, and was there actively at work for one year, when, on January 1, 1902, he removed his offices and residence to Pandora, where he has remained ever since. He is recognized as a reliable and competent practitioner and a reputable citizen.

He is a member of the American Medical Association and of the state and district associations, and has served as president of the Northwestern Ohio Eclectic Society, and was, in 1922, president of the Medical Society of Putnam County. He is a member of Grace Mennonite Church, and takes an active and prominent part in its proceedings. In politics he is a republican, has served as a member and as president of the School Board, is a member of the Ottawa (Ohio) Kiwanis Club, is a stockholder in the National Bank and the Dixie Motor Company at Bluffton, is a stockholder in the Pandora Dry Goods Company, and is interested financially as well as otherwise in other investments.

In 1889 he married Miss Elizabeth Steiner, and to this union three children have been born. Stella became the wife of Francis Marshall and resides on a farm near Beaverdam, Ohio. She is a graduate of Oberlin College Conservatory of Music. Munson is a graduate of the high school, of Bluffton College and is now a junior in the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati. Madeline is a graduate of the high school and of Bluffton College, and is now a teacher in the high school of her home town.

Miss Mary L. Wright. In the old community of Worthington in Franklin County, where people have lived fine and upright moral lives for generation after generation, one of the families most prominent in creating the influences so prevalent there has been that of Wright.

A native of Connecticut, James Potter Wright came to this section of Ohio about 1807, settling at Worthington when it was an undistinguished part of the general frontier conditions here. He had a Yankee genius for industry, and he operated a tannery, a blacksmith shop and other lines of business. His old home, erected during the early '30s, has recently become the Methodist parsonage of the village.

James P. Wright, son of the pioneer, was for many years in business as a grocer and lumber dealer at Worthington. He married Louisa Heath, a daughter of Rev. Uriah Heath. Rev. Uriah Heath, who died at Zanesville, was a minister of the Methodist Church and one of Ohio's most able and popular preachers. But for his comparatively early death he would doubtless have been elevated to the post of bishop in his church. His beautiful life touched the community of Worthington in several interesting ways. There is a living monument to him in that village. This consists of the beautiful shade trees lining both sides of Main Street. Reverend Mr. Heath and another active citizen, Mr. Noble, set out all these trees. His daughter, Louisa Wright, was a remarkable woman, educated, refined, and working in all the causes that make for better citizenship. Her friends were the entire population of the community, and the number augmented as ripeness of age made her almost venerated.

James P. Wright was born in Worthington, Ohio, in 1828. He died June 15, 1889. His wife, Louisa Heath Wright, was a daughter of Rev. Uriah, and Mary Ann (Perkins) Heath. Of the nine children born to this union, four are now living, namely: Mary L., James F., Ida, who is now Mrs. E. L. Wood, and Clara, who is the wife of C. F. Stead.

Louisa Heath Wright survived her husband twenty-three years, passing to her final rest, July 18, 1912, aged eighty years. Each was loved and venerated by all who had known them, because of the exemplary christian lives they had lived, and for the highly beneficial influence they had ever exerted upon the moral betterment of the community. The record of their lives stands forth upon the page of history, as beacon lights along life's pathway, and as unerring guides to nobler and better things. Mr. Wright was a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and in his life exemplified the teachings and principles of that time honored fraternity.

Miss Mary L. Wright, daughter of James P. and Louisa (Heath) Wright, has spent her entire life in Worthington. Her brother, James F. Wright, mar-

ried Nellie Sterrett, who died in 1911. Miss Mary Wright then assumed the management of her brother's household and became mother to the two sons, Arnold Montgomery, the present cashier of the local bank, and Theron Heath, who is an employe in one of the departments of the state government at Columbus. Miss Wright is chaplain of the Eastern Star chapter, and a member of the Rebekahs.

LEWIS G. BARTON, editor and proprietor of the Holmes County Farmer, has been identified with that old and influential newspaper of this section of Ohio for half a century, the paper itself being nearly a century old.

Mr. Barton was born on a farm near Millersburg, June 26, 1854, and is a son of William H. and Annetta (Lupold) Barton, both being natives of Holmes County. His grandfather, John Barton, a native of Jefferson County, Ohio, became one of the pioneers of Holmes County, his oldest daughter having been born there in the year 1822.

John Barton was a son of Samuel Barton, who was born in Pennsylvania, in 1777, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and from his native state moved to Jefferson County, Ohio. The Lupolds were of Pennsylvania Dutch descent, and Henry Lupold, maternal grandfather of the Millersburg editor, settled in Holmes County about 1837.

L. G. Barton, oldest of four children, grew up on a farm, attending country schools to the age of fifteen and had two years in the schools at Millersburg. When he was eighteen years, in 1872, he went to work in the printing office of the Holmes County Farmer, being assigned the humblest duties of the office and all the work that no one else would do.

The Holmes County Farmer has a consecutive record in Ohio journalism since July 1, 1828, when it was established as the Millersburg Gazette. After five or six years the name was changed to the Holmes County Farmer.

Mr. Barton learned the printer's trade, and in a progressive capacity has been identified with the Holmes County Farmer ever since. In 1882 he acquired a half interest, his associate being David G. Newton, and they owned and edited the Holmes County Farmer until January, 1918, when Mr. Barton acquired the sole ownership. The paper is democratic, and Mr. Barton himself has been an active factor in the democratic party, and for thirty-four consecutive years he was a member of either the Executive or Central committees of the democratic party in Holmes County, and then after an interval was again made a member of the Executive Committee, a post of responsibility he still holds. His other public service include eight years as clerk of Millersburg, six years as clerk of Holmes County Court and six years as postmaster of Millersburg. He resigned the postmastership in 1922. Fraternally he is a member of the Masonic fraternity, Knights of Pythias, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and has held chairs in the different lodges.

Lewis G. Barton in 1879 married Miss Mary E. Newton. She died in 1919, leaving one daughter, Lola B., now wife of W. G. Bain, of Millersburg, Ohio.

THOMAS DANIEL GLASGO, auditor of Holmes County, has been well known in business and political affairs in this county for thirty years. Mr. Glasgo was born at Kirby, Wyandot County, Ohio, January 29, 1873, only child of Albert A. and Florence L. (Crow) Glasgo. His grandfather, Eli Glasgo, was born in Scotland, and was an early settler in Holmes County, Ohio, where he married and settled on a farm near Nashville. On that property he spent many years, and later moved to Rich Hill, Missouri, where he died. At one time he represented Holmes County in the Lower House of the Ohio Legislature, and served for many years as a justice of the peace, and was prominent in democratic politics. On account of his service as justice of the peace he was well known as Squire Glasgo. He and his wife, Hester Glasgo, had the following children: Boaz, Milton, Asbury, Albert A. and three daughters.

Albert A. Glasgo was born in Nashville, Holmes County, and died when his only son, Thomas D., was nine months old. The wife of Albert A. Glasgo, Florence L. Crow, was born in Washington County, Ohio, daughter of Daniel Crow. Daniel Crow was a native of Switzerland, and an early settler in Holmes County, Ohio. For many years he was engaged in the butchering business at Nashville. Daniel Crow married Elvira Baxter, and of their children those who grew up were Florence, Sanford and Rachael, all of whom are still living. Florence Glasgo after the death of her first husband was married to David S. Williams, a farmer of Holmes County. Her three children by this marriage were Lorin J., Willis and May.

Thomas Daniel Glasgo was reared in the home of his mother and stepfather, growing up in the country and attending country schools. He continued his education in the Millersburg High School, and for three years was a teacher in country schools, and also did some farming. For twelve years he was in the insurance business, and during that time he became interested in politics. He was elected and served as clerk of Ripley Township. For six years he was secretary of the Washington Township Insurance Association, and he was acting as agent for this company when elected in 1918 as county auditor. He was reelected in 1920, but in the meantime the Legislature had changed the term of office of county auditor from two years to four years, so that his second term was for the lengthened period. Mr. Glasgo is a democrat, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a member of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Glasgo married in 1893 Miss Minnie Wachtel, of Holmes County. They have an interesting family of ten children.

WILLIAM BASINGER. Within the boundaries of Putnam County, Ohio, are many men who have attained success by well directed efforts in certain vocations, and standing in the front ranks of those thus favored is William Basinger, president of the Peoples Bank Company of Columbus Grove, Ohio. The life record of Mr. Basinger began in Riley Township, Putnam County, Ohio, March 9, 1868, son of Christian and Regina (Lugibill) Basinger, both natives of the Buckeye State, the father born in Putnam County, March 12, 1846, and the mother in Allen County.

The paternal grandparents, John D. and Elizabeth (Moser) Basinger, were natives of Switzerland. John D. Basinger came from that country to the United States with his widowed mother when eighteen years of age, settled in Ohio, and there passed away in 1885, when sixty-nine years of age. Christian Basinger was reared in Ohio and soon after his twenty-first birthday married Miss Regina Lugibill and to them were born two sons, William and Levi. The mother died in 1871, but the father, after tilling the soil successfully in Putnam County for many years, moved to Columbus Grove, Ohio, and there resides at the present time.

The youthful days of William Basinger were passed in active duties on his father's farms, first in Riley Township, then in Pleasant Township, and in attend-

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ing the district school, where he secured a good practical education. When twenty-one years of age he entered into partnership with his father in farming and stock raising. Subsequently the father moved to Columbus Grove, as stated above, and William rented the entire place, consisting of 320 acres, and carried it on most actively and successfully for years. On the 14th of June, 1893, he married Miss Minnie Risser, who is also a native of Putnam County, born in Riley Township April 27, 1873. There she received her education.

To Mr. and Mrs. Basinger were born six children, as follows: Leonard W., a graduate of the high school at Pandora, Ohio, also a graduate of the Ohio State University in commerce and journalism, and is now an accountant with the Findlay Porcelain Pottery Company. He served faithfully during the World war, enlisting in the Quartermaster department, and was in the convoy but did not cross the ocean. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity at Columbus Grove. Marguerite, died February 25, 1901. George R., born December 7, 1899, crossed the ocean during the World war and was in a number of battles. (See sketch elsewhere in this volume.) Mildred O., born October 26, 1901, was educated in the public and high schools of Putnam County, attended Wesleyan College, and also took a business course. At present she is in training in the White Cross Hospital at Columbus, Ohio. Alice E., born February 12, 1906, is at home. Helen B., born March 3, 1909, is also at home.

Mr. Basinger is still interested in agriculture and stock raising, but simply supervises his fine farm of 320 acres in Pleasant Township. He was elected president of the Peoples Bank Company, to succeed his father, in 1914, and holds that position most acceptably at the present time. He and Mrs. Basinger are worthy members of the First Presbyterian Church of Columbus Grove, Ohio, and he has been trustee of the same for years. In politics he supports the principles of the democratic party.

Leo J. Wildenhaus. Perhaps the same spirit of thrift and enterprise that characterized his ancestors when they left their native country to seek fields and pastures new in America has fallen to the lot of Leo J. Wildenhaus, who, though comparatively young in years, is already forging to the front and is one of the alert, thoroughgoing business men of Fort Jennings, Ohio, where he holds the position of cashier in the Fort Jennings State Bank. He was born in the Buckeye State, in Mercer County, June 20, 1889, son of J. T. and Catherine (Wagner) Wildenhaus.

The father was a native of Germany, born in Westphalia in 1861, and he there remained until fourteen years of age. Then America's superior advantages appealed to him strongly, and he crossed the ocean, locating first in Cincinnati, Ohio. He had secured thorough educational training in the schools of his native country, and supplemented this by an English course after reaching the United States, mainly in Ohio. For a time he was actively employed in teaching school, but subsequently engaged in agricultural pursuits, which has since been his chosen occupation. In politics he is identified with the democratic party, and has held minor offices, filling the position of justice of the peace for many years. He is a member of the Catholic Church, and takes a deep interest in all enterprises that have for their object the upbuilding of the community. He is the father of ten living children.

Leo J. Wildenhaus was reared amid the rural surroundings of his father's farm in Mercer County, Ohio, and received his primary educational training in the common schools of this section. Later he graduated from high school and then attended the St. Joseph College for one year. Following this he engaged in teaching, continued this successfully for six years and then entered a bank at Burkettsville, where he continued for six months. After this he organized a bank at Osgood, Ohio, where he filled the position of cashier for two years. In the year 1918 he organized the bank at Fort Jennings, holds the position of cashier, and is director in the same. He was the first cashier of the bank and still continues to hold that position.

Mr. Wildenhaus is a democrat in politics, is a member of the Knights of Columbus order, and he and family are members of the Catholic Church. He wedded Miss Rose Heinl, a native of Putnam County, and a graduate of a well known academy at Toledo, Ohio. To them have been born three children: Madonna, Roland and Paul.

Benedict A. Miehls. The same spirit of enterprise and unfaltering purpose that characterized his ancestors when they left their native country to seek a home in the United States has carried Benedict A. Miehls through many a trying situation, so that now, while still a comparatively young man, he has accumulated sufficient of this world's goods to enable him to retire from active farm duties. He now resides on the east end of his fine farm in Fort Jennings, Ohio, where he is well known.

Mr. Miehls is a native of the Buckeye State, born in Carroll County, March 14, 1863, son of George and Mary A. (Hegner) Miehls, both natives of Germany, the father born in Hatzenbile in 1818 and the mother in Wurttemberg in 1827. They both came to America when young and were married in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The father worked in the coal mines for four years, after which he checked coal for about five years. Following this he served as overseer for another five years, but then moved to Carroll County, Ohio, where he engaged in agricultural pursuits. In 1867 he moved to Putnam County of that state, purchased a farm in Greensburg Township, but subsequently located in Jackson Township of that county, where he resided, actively engaged in farming, until his death in 1878. In his native country Mr. Miehls served seven years in the German army. Mrs. Miehls passed away in 1913. They were both members of the Catholic Church and also held membership in St. John's Society of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Politically Mr. Miehls was a democrat, and held the position of township trustee for a number of years.

To this worthy couple were born eleven children, all of whom are living at the present time (1924). They are named as follows: George, a resident of Ottoville, Ohio; Joseph and Catherine, twins; Joseph, residing in Fort Jennings; and Catherine, the wife of Frank Kracht, makes her home at Ottawa, Ohio; Mary married Ignatius H. Kahle; Barbara is the wife of William Kohlhoff, who resides at Glandorf, Ohio; Regina, or Sister M. Sancta, is a sister in a convent at New Riegle, Ohio; Clara is the wife of Henry Rowes; Benedict A., subject of this review; Frank Kracht, makes her home at Ottawa, Ohio; Theresa is the wife of Elvin Rowes, of Toledo, Ohio; and Albert is a resident of Maumee, Ohio.

Benedict A. Miehls grew to manhood on his father's farm and received his educational training in the country schools. In the year 1891 he entered a store at Ottoville, Ohio, remained there two years and a half, and then returned to the farm, where he not only engaged most actively in tilling the soil, but shipped out much live stock. In 1910 he abandoned the live stock business and gave his un-

divided attention to agricultural pursuits for ten years. During that time he purchased more land, met with success, and is now retired from the active duties of farm life.

He chose for his life companion Miss Mary A. Boehmer, and their marriage occurred September 25, 1895. She was born in the house where they now reside. This union resulted in the birth of three children, as follows: Alberta, who graduated from a well known academy in Toledo, Ohio, and is a musician of considerable prominence; Harold graduated from St. John's School at Toledo and was a soldier in the World war; Hubert graduated from the Delphos Parochial High School in the class of 1923. He is now at home. Mr. and Mrs. Miehls are members of the Catholic Church, and are interested in all good work. Mr. Miehls is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and in politics is in accord with the principles of the democratic party. He has held many positions of trust in the county; was assessor of two townships, is a member of the Council of Fort Jennings, which position he has held for sixteen years, is a stockholder in three different banks, is president of the Fort Jennings State Bank and is a stockholder in an implement and auto company. He is the owner of 533 acres of land and is one of the alert, wide-awake men of the county. Mrs. Miehls was born November 8, 1870, and is the daughter of Amos and Mary Boehmer. Her father, who died August 31, 1909, was one of the prominent men of Putnam County. He was probate judge of the county, also state senator, and represented Putnam County in the Legislature. Mrs. Miehls is a woman of much more than ordinary ability, and is a graduate of Notre Dame at Cleveland, Ohio.

JOSEPH CONRAD WANNEMACHER, cashier of the Ottoville Bank at Ottoville, Ohio, and one of Putnam County's native sons, was born at Ottoville, December 23, 1861, son of Charles and Fannie (Fournier) Wannemacher. The father was a native of Rangendingen, Germany, born January 6, 1837, and the mother, of Alsace-Lorraine, France, born August 20, 1841. In 1852 Charles Wannemacher left the fatherland and crossed to the United States, where he hoped to better his financial condition in "The land of the free and the home of the brave." He landed first in Putnam County, Ohio, but subsequently moved to Cincinnati, of that state, and was actively engaged in the shoemaker's trade there for a period of five years. He did not confine himself to the city resident alone, but often went from house to house and made shoes for the farmer and his entire family. Possessed of the thrift and energy that characterizes so many of German birth, he managed to save a modest sum. He then located at Ottoville, Ohio, purchased land, erected a cabin and continued his trade of making shoes until 1877, when he sold out.

In the year 1879 he engaged in the hardware and implement business, and was actively and successfully filling that line of endeavor until his death in 1898. His wife left her native land when quite young, and after arriving in the United States, resided for a time in Seneca County, Ohio. There she made her home until 1850, when she moved to Putname County, of that state. In this county she was married to Mr. Wannemacher, and here both passed the remainder of their days, her death occurring in 1890, just eight years prior to her husband's death. Both were worthy and exemplary members of the Catholic Church. In politics he was identified with and was an earnest supporter of the democratic party. From 1873 to 1879 he held the position of county commissioner, and filled that position with credit to himself and his constituents. To this worthy couple were born eleven children, four of whom died in infancy. Five are living at the present time (1923). They are named as follows: Joseph C., the original of this notice; John A., a retired farmer residing in Ottoville; Stephen P., a resident of Cloverdale, Ohio; Alexander F., a hardware merchant at Ottoville; and Fannie, unmarried.

Joseph C. Wannemacher grew to manhood in Ottoville, Ohio, and to a good practical education received in the common schools he added two years in high school at Ottawa, Putnam County, Ohio. He then followed teaching from 1880 to 1881, after which he engaged in the hardware business, continuing this until 1918. The Ottoville Bank was organized in 1903, and Mr. Wannemacher was president of this until 1918, when he was made cashier, a position he holds most ably at the present time. The officers of the bank are as follows: President, J. J. Miller; vice president, John Wannemacher; and cashier, Joseph C. Wannemacher. These men are all directors in the bank, as are also Alexander Wannemacher and J. F. Ochely.

On the 8th of May, 1888, Mr. Wannemacher wedded Miss Anna Schneider, and to this union have been born seven children: Martin J., who attended St. Joseph College for four years and is a graduate of the law department of the State University of Michigan, is now practicing his profession most successfully in Detroit; Urban A.; Monica, a graduate of Ottoville High School, also a graduate of the Normal School at Bowling Green, Ohio, and is now a most successful teacher of ten years' experience; Arnold A., a graduate of the high school, and who is now in a store, during the World war was a soldier and spent one year in France; Elnora, also a graduate of the Ottoville High School, is at home with her parents; Margaret, a graduate of high school, is at home; and Fannie, who took a commercial course at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Wannemacher are earnest and sincere members of the Ottoville Catholic Church, and are active in all good work that has for its object the upbuilding of the town and the community at large. In politics Mr. Wannemacher is a supporter of democratic principles, and was the first clerk of the town, serving eighteen years. He also filled the office of mayor of Ottoville for ten years and was a member of the Building Committee of Putnam County Courthouse. In spite of his varied interests Mr. Wannemacher does not lose sight of his duties as one of the leading men of the town, as is indicated by the positions of trust he has filled so capably.

JOHN JOSEPH MILLER. Among the representative business men of Putnam County, Ohio, whose advanced ideas and progressive methods have carried him far on the road to success, is the name of John Joseph Miller. He was born in Fremont, Sandusky County, Ohio, April 14, 1854, son of John and Johanna (Flatz) Miller, the father a native of Bavaria, Germany, and the mother of Tyrol, Austria. When but a lad John Miller left the fatherland, came to the United States and located at Fremont, Ohio, where he grew to manhood. There he engaged at the tailor's trade, which he followed until 1863, when he engaged in agricultural pursuits. In that county he met and married Miss Flatz, who had crossed the ocean to America when quite young. Mr. Miller was unusually successful as a tiller of the soil, and the salient features of his life were such as commend him to the confidence, trust and good will of his fellow men. He was a faithful member of the Catholic Church, and in politics adhered to the principles of the democratic party. To his marriage were born six children. They were named as follows: John Joseph; Edward, who resides in Celina, Ohio;

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Anna, wife of Andrew Kehres, of Missouri; Josephine, wife of Joseph Breckner, of Ottoville, Ohio; George, a farmer near Ottoville, Ohio; and Catherine, wife of Frank Gerdeman, of Delphus, Ohio.

John Joseph Miller passed his early life in active duties on the farm and in attending the public school, where he secured a good practical education. He remained on the farm until 1879, when he selected as his companion in life Miss Margaret Lauer, a native of France, who came to this country with her parents when quite small. This union resulted in the birth of seven children as follows: Alexander, who received his education in the public schools of Ottoville, and is now connected with his father in business; Elizabeth, wife of Walter Memman, of Celina, Ohio; Edward, single, who is now engaged in merchandising at Kalida, Ohio; Mary, wife of Doctor Ockuly, of Ottoville, Ohio; Catherine, in a convent at Cleveland, Ohio; Margaret, single and at home; and Rudolph, single and with his father in business. He is a graduate of the Ottoville schools. Mr. Miller and family are devout and worthy members of the Catholic Church, and he and his sons belong to the Knights of Columbus Order. In his political views he is an independent democrat. He held the position of mayor of Ottoville for some time, and is now president of the Ottoville Bank Company. Mr. Miller is a man of keen discernment and untiring energy, and although he started in a small way, success has rewarded his efforts. He now has one of the largest and best equipped stores in Putnam County, and his store at Kalida is a branch of the one at Ottoville.

John Begg, a sterling retired farmer residing at Columbus Grove, Putnam County, was born on a farm near Groveport, Franklin County, Ohio, November 14, 1845, and is a son of John and Mary (White) Begg, both of whom were born in the vicinity of Glasgow, Scotland, the former in January, 1806, and the latter in the year 1816. The parents were reared and educated in their native land, where their marriage was solemnized, and in 1842 they came, with their three children, to the United States. John Begg had been a miner in Scotland, but upon establishing his residence in Franklin County, Ohio, he settled on a farm, though he continued his work as a day laborer until his sons had attained to adult age. Thereafter he farmed for a time on rented land, and later he purchased a small farm in Allen County, this place having continued to represent his home until his death in 1886, and his wife having passed away in 1878. Both were zealous members of the Presbyterian Church, in the faith of which they were reared in their native land, and Mr. Begg was a close and appreciative student of the Bible, besides which he served for a long period as an elder in the church. He was also a regular correspondent for the Agricultural Press for twenty years. He was a republican in politics, and was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. Of the children five attained to maturity: William entered service as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war, and lost his life in battle at Perryville, Kentucky, in 1862; Thomas was in the 100 days' service in the Civil war, and was one of the substantial citizens of Allen County, Ohio, at the time of his death, February 12, 1912; Miss Janet resides at Kalida, Putnam County; John, of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; and Mary E., the widow of Lewis A. Rower, resides with her sister at Kalida.

John Begg found his childhood and early youth compassed by the discipline and influences of the farm, and that he profited fully by the advantages offered in the schools of the locality and period is assured by the success which marked his service as a teacher for a number of years in the district schools. His major success, however, has been gained through his active and well ordered alliance with farm industry. In 1875 he purchased his farm near Columbus Grove, and there he continued his activities as an agriculturist and stock grower of progressive enterprise until 1915, since which year he has lived retired at Columbus Grove, although he owns a farm of 155 acres. Mr. Begg has given splendid service in advancing the standards of agricultural and live stock industry in Ohio. He has been a member of the Grange for half a century, and was state lecturer of this splendid organization in Ohio for a period of four years, besides which he was for two years a member of the State Board of Agriculture, under the administration of Governor Willis, being president during that time. He served four years as township trustee, and was a member of the school board eighteen years. He gave thirty years of service as lecturer before the farmers' institutes of Ohio. The College of Agriculture issued a prospectus, in which they stated he had addressed more farmers' meetings than any other man in farmer institute work. He was for nearly five years a member of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio State Normal School at Bowling Green. He has given an unfaltering allegiance to the republican party, and he is an able advocate of its principles and policies. He and his wife are most zealous members of the Presbyterian Church at Columbus Grove, and he is serving the same as an elder and as superintendent of the Sunday school.

In November, 1873, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Begg and Miss Mary E. Kalb, who was born in Franklin County, Ohio, March 19, 1851, and who had been a successful and popular teacher in the public schools prior to her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Begg have reason to take pride in the character and standing of their children: Jessie A. made a record of effective service as a teacher in the public schools, and is now the wife of J. M. Michael, of Lima. Hon. James T., the eldest son, was graduated from Lima College, besides attending Wooster University, and he likewise made success of his work as a teacher. He is now serving his third term as a member of Congress, in which he is representative of the Thirteenth Ohio District, comprising Huron, Sandusky, Seneca, Wood and Erie counties. Mary K. is the wife of James J. Kissell, of Columbus Grove, who is individually mentioned on other pages of this work. John Clarence is a progressive farmer in Allen County. Bessie B., who was a popular high school teacher for several years, is now the wife of F. E. Holliday, of Detroit, Michigan. Theodore Stanley is manager of the Edwards Dairy Company at Columbus Grove.

Donald Grant Ralston, M. D. Soon after graduating from medical college Doctor Ralston went into the service as a medical officer of the navy, returning to his home town of McConnelsville after his discharge, and in addition to looking after a very extensive practice has taken upon himself public responsibilities. He is the present mayor of McConnelsville.

Doctor Ralston was born in that Morgan County town, September 4, 1895, son of George S. and Myrtle (Coulson) Ralston, and grandson of Andrew Ralston, who came from Pennsylvania to Ohio in the fifties. He was with an Ohio regiment in the Civil war, and the service eventually caused his death. George S. Ralston, who was born on a farm seven miles west of McConnelsville, in 1870, had for a number of years been connected with the Brown-Manly Company as a salesman, and is now assistant secretary and

treasurer of the company. He was an active worker in the World war on committees and other organizations promoting the sale of liberty bonds and the raising of funds for the Red Cross. He has served two terms as master of the local Masonic Lodge, is high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and is a republican. His church affiliations are with Baptist denomination, while his wife is a Quaker. His wife, Myrtle Coulson, is the daughter of William G. S. Coulson, who was a soldier with Ohio troops in the Civil war, and a brother of Capt. Eli G. Coulson, a physician who at first was commanding officer of Company G of the One Hundred and Sixty-first Ohio Infantry and later was transferred to the Medical Corps. Doctor Ralston has two brothers. Robert, a registered pharmacist, is associated with his brother John in the drug business at Caldwell.

Donald Grant Ralston graduated from the McConnelsville High School and for two years attended the University of Redlands in Southern California. He prepared for his profession by the four year course in the medical department of Ohio State University. Early in his professional career he was attracted to specialize in the treatment of tuberculosis. He completed an interneship in the Protestant Hospital at Columbus, now known as the White Cross Hospital, and in January, 1918, was commissioned a lieutenant in the Navy Medical Corps, and on June 7, assigned to duty. He was in the service until January 23, 1920, most of the time in hospitals in and around New York and Brooklyn, handling cases in the tuberculosis wards. Four times he was given orders to embark for France, but each time the order was countermanded. After leaving the service he returned to McConnelsville, and has an extensive general practice and also has charge of the Rocky Glen Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

Doctor Ralston has been a member of the Republican County Executive Committee. He was elected mayor of McConnelsville in May, 1922. He is secretary of the Morgan County Medical Society, a member of the State and American Medical associations, and was commander in 1922, of the local post of the American Legion. Fraternally he is a Royal Arch Mason, and a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Maccabees. He and his wife are Methodists.

Doctor Ralston, married in 1919, Miss Corinne Katharine Fouts, daughter of Hon. C. H. Fouts. They have two children, Eleanor Louise and Rodman Fouts.

Henry F. Light is established successfully in the general lumber business at Columbus Grove, Putnam County, where he conducts operations under the title of the Light Lumber Company. He was born on a farm adjacent to this little city, and the date of his nativity was August 19, 1858. He is a son of John and Mary C. (Walters) Light, the former of whom was born in Richland County, Ohio, February 15, 1835, and the latter of whom was born at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, August 11, 1838. She was eight years of age at the time of her parents' removal to Richland County, Ohio, where she was reared and educated and where her marriage was solemnized. In 1854 John Light came to Putnam County and purchased a farm adjoining Columbus Grove on the south. He became one of the representative farmers of this district, and for a number of years conducted a general store in the village. He finally purchased a farm near Lima, Allen County, and after the death of his wife he resided in the home of his daughter at Mansfield until his death. He was a democrat, served in various township offices, and he and his wife were earnest members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Of the four children the subject of this sketch is the eldest of the three now living: Alfred H. is a resident of Lima; and Frances B. is the wife of A. J. Brennerman, of Mansfield.

The district schools of Putnam County afforded Henry F. Light his early education, which has been effectively supplemented in the school of practical experience. He remained on the home farm until he was twenty-two years of age, was thereafter associated with various lines of business, besides which he served for some time as a railroad postal clerk. He has been engaged in the lumber business at Columbus Grove for the past thirty years, and he gives his personal supervision also to his fine farm north of this village. Mr. Light is a democrat. He and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he is a past chancellor of the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias. Mrs. Light, whose maiden name was Minnie E. Crawford, was born on a farm in Henry County and received her early education in the public schools of Columbus Grove. Mr. and Mrs. Light became the parents of two children, both of whom died in infancy. Their adopted daughter, to whom they gave the advantages of the public schools and who has repaid in filial love their parental devotion, is now the wife of W. S. Bell, of Columbus Grove.

Joseph T. Deters is a native of Putnam County, has given ten years of successful service as a teacher in the public schools, represented Ohio as one of the loyal young soldiers with the American Expeditionary Forces in France in the late World war, and on the 6th of August, 1923, he assumed the office of clerk of the courts for Putnam County, an office to which he was elected November 7th of the preceding year, being the youngest man to hold the office in the county.

Mr. Deters was born at Glandorf, Putnam County, April 16, 1896, and is a son of Theodore and Magdalena (Wischmeyer) Deters, the former of whom likewise is a native of Glandorf, where he was born May 13, 1858, and the latter of whom was born in Hanover, Germany, March 27, 1858, she having been a girl at the time when the family home was established at Glandorf, Ohio, where she was reared and educated and where her marriage was solemnized. Her preliminary education was received in the schools of her native land. Mr. and Mrs. Deters have continued their residence at Glandorf from the time of their marriage, which here occurred May 16, 1882, and both are devout communicants of the Catholic Church. Theodore Deters is aligned loyally in the ranks of the democratic party, and he has held for the past quarter of a century the office of assessor of the Village of Glandorf, besides having served also as township assessor. He is a director of the local building and loan association and also of a local insurance company. Of the family of seven children all are living except one: Frank is a tile manufacturer at Glandorf; Mary is the wife of Edward Gerding; Lena is the wife of Edward Jerwers; Frances is the wife of Charles Ellerbrock; Joseph T. is the immediate subject of this sketch; and Henry is serving under his brother in the capacity of deputy clerk of the courts. The deceased child was Frances.

Joseph T. Deters was graduated from the Glandorf High School, and thereafter continued his studies in Miami University at Oxford. He was for ten years a popular teacher in the public schools of his native county, and when the nation became involved in the World war he entered service in the United States Army, with which he saw twelve months of active service in France, where he took part in the Meuse-Argonne campaign of the allied forces, and participated in active fighting in the front lines, he

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having been a corporal in his regiment and having remained in France some time after the armistice had brought the war to a close. He arrived in the United States June 20, 1919, and duly received his honorable discharge. Mr. Deters is an appreciative and popular member of the local post of the American Legion in his old home town of Glandorf, and has served as adjutant of the same. He is a stalwart in the local ranks of the democratic party, is a communicant of the Catholic Church, and is president of the local organization of the Knights of St. John at Glandorf, where he continued to reside until he assumed the office of clerk of the courts of Putnam County.

Henry C. Ruhl, M. D., one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Putnam County, has here been established in the practice of his profession at Leipsic for thirty years—years marked by his faithful and able ministrations to suffering humanity.

Doctor Ruhl was born at West Point, Morrow County, Ohio, December 4, 1864, and is a son of Adam H. and Louisa (Jacobs) Ruhl, the former of whom was born in Berlin, Germany, in 1838, and the latter was born in the State of Maryland in 1840. Adam H. Ruhl received his earlier education in his native land, and was a youth when he accompanied his parents to the United States, the family home having been established in York County, Pennsylvania, where he grew to manhood and where he extended his education to liberal scope. His marriage was solemnized in the old Keystone State, and there he continued to reside until his removal to Morrow County, Ohio, in the northern part of which county he engaged in farm enterprise. There his first wife, mother of Doctor Ruhl of this review, died in the year 1869, and he subsequently contracted a second marriage. Mr. Ruhl continued his residence in Morrow County until 1880, when he moved to Gratiot County, where he passed the remainder of his life and where his death occurred in 1915. Of the eight children of the first marriage five are living (1924), two having died in infancy and one at the age of twenty years. Of this number the eldest of those surviving is George S., who is engaged in the mercantile business at Alma, Gratiot County, Michigan; Harvey resides at Climax, Morrow County, Ohio; Dr. John A. is engaged in the practice of dentistry at Elsie, Clinton County, Michigan; Dr. Henry C., of this sketch, is the next younger; and Zachariah B. is a merchant in the Village of Crystal Lake, Michigan.

The childhood and early youth of Dr. Henry C. Ruhl were passed on the old home farm in Morrow County, and he supplemented the discipline of the district schools by an effective high school course. He devoted three years to successful service as a teacher in the public schools, and finally he followed the course of his ambition by entering Pulte Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1894. In the same year in which he thus received his degree of Doctor of Medicine he established his residence at Leipsic, where he has since continued in general practice and where his able and loyal professional stewardship and gracious personality have gained him unqualified popular confidence and esteem. The doctor has kept in touch with the advances made in medical and surgical science and is identified with the Putnam County, Ohio State, American and National Homeopathic Medical societies.

Doctor Ruhl has stood forth as a liberal and progressive citizen, and has been called upon to serve in various local offices of trust, his political allegiance being given to the democratic party. As mayor of Leipsic he gave a vigorous and effective administration. He was for two terms treasurer of Leipsic Township, and he served nine years as a member of the Board of Education of Leipsic. He and his wife are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Leipsic, and in the same he holds the position of trustee. In the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with Leipsic Lodge No. 548, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Ottawa Chapter No. 115, Royal Arch Masons; Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters; and the Commander of Knights Templar in the City of Findlay. He is a past chancellor commander of Leipsic Lodge No. 168, Knights of Pythias.

In July, 1894, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Ruhl and Miss Anna L. Moore, who was born and reared in Richland County, Ohio. They became the parents of three children, only one of whom is living, Miss Neva J., who remains at the parental home and who is a successful teacher of music. She graduated from the Leipsic High School and the Davis Business College in Toledo, the while her musical education included a course of one year in the musical department of Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware.

John J. Murray. Born in a mining district of Scotland, and learning his first lessons in mining under his father, John J. Murray for over thirty-five years has been identified with the coal mining industry in Ohio, and for the greater part of that time has been with the Ohio Collieries Company. Mr. Murray is big and strong physically, a man of prompt judgment, efficient at all times, and a real leader among the men working under him. They implicitly trust him, and his reputation as a mining superintendent is widespread over the Hocking Valley. He is superintendent of Mines Nos. 301 and 302 for the Ohio Collieries Company at Congo in Perry County, the mines being located on the Zanesville and Western Railway branch of the New York Central.

Mr. Murray was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, December 18, 1866, son of Joseph and Mary (Johnson) Murray. His father spent his life as a coal miner in Scotland. The only two sons to come to America were John J. and later his brother James, who was killed accidentally at the Crown mines at Crooksville when fifty-nine years of age.

John J. Murray had a few brief terms of school in Scotland, and at the age of twelve went to work for his father. He advanced rapidly in the technique of mining, and was a contractor when he left his native land at the age of twenty-one. Coming from Scotland in 1887 to the Ohio coal fields, he became a miner, and after a day's toil in the shaft attended night school and in that way perfected a good education. In 1895 he entered the service of the Ohio Collieries Company, and has been with that corporation continuously except for one year in the Elk River field in West Virginia. For a number of years he was an under boss, and since 1909 has been mine superintendent.

Mr. Murray married Miss Elizabeth Hazzard, daughter of William Hazzard, of Buckingham. They have been ambitious to give their children the best advantages to equip them for useful careers, and have offered them the opportunities of attending school and college and most of them are college trained. They have four sons and two daughters. The daughter Elizabeth is a graduate of Ohio University and is now secretary of the industrial department of the Young Women's Christian Association of Pittsburgh. The son James, weighmaster under his father, attended Ohio University at Athens three years. William, who attended high school at Drakes, went overseas with the Eighty-third Engineers, was at the battle front, and since his return has been in the mines under his father. The son Joseph was also overseas

with a motor truck corps, and is also in the mines under his father. Both sons returned home with good army records. The daughter Mary, aged nineteen, is a student in Ohio Wesleyan University, while Donald is attending the Congo High School. Mrs. Murray is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Murray is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at Corning, the Royal Arch Chapter at New Lexington, and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias.

A. A. Slaybaugh for more than a quarter of a century has been one of the real leaders at the Putnam County bar and an able lawyer with a large practice, and has filled with credit many offices where his professional training is of value.

Mr. Slaybaugh is a native of Putnam County, born at West Leipsic September 2, 1874, son of Thomas C. and Emma J. Slaybaugh. His parents were born in Pennsylvania. His mother taught school as a young woman. His father served as a soldier in the Union Army during the Civil war, and followed the occupation of a carpenter through his long and active life.

A. A. Slaybaugh spent his boyhood at West Leipsic, and after a course in the Normal School at Leipsic was granted a teacher's certificate at the age of sixteen, and for two years taught school. He taught his first school at Miller City in 1891. In June, 1893, before he was nineteen years of age, he took up the study of law with T. W. Prentiss at Leipsic, and in October, 1896, was admitted to the bar. Since that date his active membership at the bar at Leipsic has been continuous, and he has served with ability a large and important clientage.

In politics he has always been a democrat. He served as mayor of Leipsic from 1900 to 1902, was village solicitor from 1902 to 1912, and again took the duties of that office in January, 1914. In November, 1912, he was elected prosecuting attorney of Putnam County, and served four years, from January, 1913, to the end of 1916. He set a high standard of official conduct during his term of office. Since his close he has resumed his connection with his private law business at Leipsic. In 1920 he was the democratic nominee for Common Pleas judge.

On June 9, 1901, Mr. Slaybaugh married Miss Emily Bradley, who was born at Kalida, in Putnam County, daughter of Patterson and Emily (Turpenning) Bradley. Her father, who was of Irish parentage, served as a Union soldier in the Civil war, located at Kalida soon after the war, and was a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Slaybaugh have two children, Gordon Maxwell and Helen Louise, both of whom graduated from the Leipsic High School in the same class and are now sophomores in Hiram College.

Charles W. Fogle, D. V. S., who is established in the successful practice of his profession at Leipsic, Putnam County, is one of the representatives of his chosen profession in this section of the Buckeye State, and is an active and valued member of the Northwestern Ohio Veterinary Medical Association, of which he was president in the year 1915. He is one of the substantial citizens of Putnam County and is a director of the Citizens' State Bank of Leipsic.

Doctor Fogle claims the Sunflower State as the place of his nativity, his birth having occurred at Williamsburg, Kansas, October 28, 1886. He is a son of Benjamin and Rebecca (Smith) Fogle, both natives of Pennsylvania and both children at the time of the removal of the respective families to Kansas, in the pioneer period of the history of that state, where Daniel Fogle, grandfather of the doctor, was an early trader with the Indians. He purchased land on an Indian reservation in Kansas, where he still maintains his home, he being ninety-two years of age at the time of this writing, in 1923. This patriarchal citizen was a gallant soldier in a Pennsylvania regiment in the Civil war. Of his five children all but one are living. Benjamin C., father of the subject of this sketch, now resides at Fullerton, California, Dr. Charles W. being the elder of his two children, and the younger, Wilber C., being deceased; A. B. and W. C. Fogle still reside in Kansas; F. D. Fogle is real estate editor of the Chicago Herald-Examiner.

The early education of Doctor Fogle was obtained in the public schools of his native town, and included the discipline of the high school. In 1907 he was graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College, from which he received his degree of Doctor of Veterinary Surgery, and in the spring of the same year he established his residence in Leipsic, Ohio, where he has since continued in the successful practice of his profession. He has served continuously since 1914 as a member of the Ohio State Board of Veterinary Examiners, of which he was president in 1923. He is also president of the Ohio State Veterinary Medical Association. The doctor is a stalwart advocate of the principles of the republican party. In the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with Leipsic Lodge No. 548, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; Putnam Chapter No. 115, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is past high priest; Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters; and Findlay Commandery No. 49, Knights Templar, besides which he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the Consistory at Toledo.

Doctor Fogle married Miss Adeline Werner, of Leipsic, she being a graduate of the high school of this place, and their one child is a son, Charles W., Jr., born January 3, 1917.

Clarence J. Ericson, who is proprietor of a mail order printing establishment at Leipsic, took over this business after many years of service at Leipsic as a railroad telegraph operator. He is one of the well known and capable citizens of Putnam County.

He was born at Denison, Iowa, September 12, 1882, son of Lars and Nellie (Olson) Ericson. His parents were born in Sweden, were educated in their native land, and after coming to America were married in Iowa, and have been substantial farmers in that state. His father is now retired and living at Denison. The mother died November 17, 1918. Both were members of the Lutheran Church, and the father is a republican. There are five children: Clarence J.; Oscar M., who is an ex-service man, having been with the Three Hundred and Tenth Signal Corps Battalion in France and Germany, and is now a telegraph operator at Denison, Iowa, with the Northwestern Railway; Pearl, a professional nurse; Enoch, a merchant at Dunlap, Iowa; and Lonnie, who served in a Machine Gun Company during the World war.

Clarence J. Ericson was reared in Iowa, spent his boyhood days on the farm, and acquired a public school education at Denison. He was for four years a wireless operator in the United States Navy, serving on the old Oregon, and leaving that service he became a railroad telegrapher, and for fifteen years was stationed at Leipsic, Ohio, as an operator with the Nickel Plate Railway. It was in 1920 that he took over the business of H. F. Mendel & Company, publishers and printers, and does a business extending over Ohio and other states.

Mr. Ericson is a republican and has served two terms as clerk and two terms as mayor of Leipsic, and is the present chief executive of that city. He

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married Miss Althea Kurtz, of Leipsic. They have two sons, Charles and William, both attending public school. Mr. Ericson is a past master of Leipsic Lodge No. 348, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; is a member of Ottawa Chapter No. 115, Royal Arch Masons; Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters.

J. S. CARTWRIGHT is a native of Putnam County, and knows that county topographically probably better than any other citizen. He has devoted much of his life to civil engineering and is a former county surveyor.

He was born on a farm in Riley Township, February 23, 1855, son of W. W. and P. A. (Boman) Cartwright. His parents were natives of Ohio, his father of Licking County and his mother of Hocking County. W. W. Cartwright went with his parents in 1833 to Putnam County, and the Bomans were also early settlers there. W. W. Cartwright and wife after their marriage settled on a farm in Riley Township. He lived there until he was elected county sheriff, and during his term of four years lived in Ottawa. He then resumed his farm activities, and after retiring spent his last days in Ottawa. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a democrat in politics. Of the nine children four are now living: J. S.; H. A.; Mary, the wife of Pete Meadow, of Marion, Ohio; and Lou, wife of John Lewellen, of Marion.

J. S. Cartwright was reared on the farm, acquired a common school and high school education, and spent one year as a teacher. He learned civil engineering by practical work, and he has been engaged in the work of civil engineering ever since. In 1911 he was elected county surveyor, filling the office until 1915. Since then Mr. Cartwright has been city engineer of Ottawa.

Mr. Cartwright married Miss Anna Duke in 1880. They have one daughter, Nellie B., a graduate of the Ottawa High School and now in business at Ottawa. Mr. Cartwright is a past grand of Ottawa Lodge No. 284, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in politics is affiliated with the democratic party.

GEORGE W. KAHLE, a native son of Putnam County, is cashier of the Bank of Ottawa, and represents a family long prominent in that section of the state. Mr. Kahle is an ex-service man, and was on the front line of duty in France for several months in the great conflict.

He was born on a farm in Greensburg Township, Putnam County, June 27, 1885, son of Ignatius and Mary A. (Miehls) Kahle. His mother was born in Pennsylvania, in 1853, was brought to Putnam County when a girl, and grew up in a country district poorly provided with schools. She is one of a family of nine children, all still living, the youngest past fifty-two years of age.

The late Ignatius Kahle was born in Putnam County, in August, 1850, and died in 1897. He became one of the county's best known citizens. He had a good common school education, at first engaged in farming, served two terms in the Legislature, and subsequently operated a mill and general store at Glandorf. While there he started a small private bank, but subsequently sold out and engaged in banking at Ottawa, and was president of the Bank of Ottawa when he died. He was a democrat in politics, and a devout Catholic. He and his wife had nine children: Frank G., of Lima; Emma, wife of H. C. Gerding, of Ottawa; Adelia, widow of F. F. Laibe; Laura, wife of George Laibe; George W.; Harry, deceased; Al. L., a Buick agent of Putnam County; Bertha, wife of W. D. Geary; and Mary A., deceased.

George W. Kahle was educated in the common and high schools of Putnam County, graduated from a business college at Lima, and for seven years was in the drug business, becoming a registered pharmacist. At the time of the World war he helped raise a company at Ottawa and vicinity, and he served twenty-one months and eleven days with the colors. He was in France and Belgium, and was on five fronts or sectors. He was overseas eleven months, and soon after his return home and discharge from the army he accepted his present duties as cashier of the Bank of Ottawa.

Mr. Kahle married Miss Rose Pfirman on June 27, 1923. She is a graduate of the Defiance High School and Defiance College and before her marriage was a high school teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Kahle are active members of the Catholic Church of Ottawa. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, the Kiwanis Club, is president of the Ottawa Chamber of Commerce, and in politics is a democrat.

FRANK J. CROSBIE, M. D. In the same community where he spent his boyhood and early youth, a rural district of Perry County, Dr. Frank J. Crosbie has been a skilled and capable physician and surgeon for the past twenty years.

His father's farm, where he was born August 10, 1869, was on the line between Perry and Fairfield counties. His grandfather, Gilbert Crosbie, brought his family from County Sligo, Ireland, and homesteaded a tract of land covered with heavy wood, from which he subsequently hewed out the farm where Doctor Crosbie was born. Gilbert Crosbie built a home and lived in that locality all the rest of his life, and his farm is still owned by his descendants. Gilbert Crosbie, who reached a good old age, was a very successful stock dealer, and his fondness for horses has descended through subsequent generations of the family. Gilbert Crosbie had five sons, John, Peter, Michael, William and Bartholomew. William Crosbie, father of Doctor Crosbie, was born in County Sligo, Ireland, and was an infant when his parents came to the United States. After reaching manhood he bought the old homestead farm, but subsequently sold it to his brother Michael, who now, at the age of eighty-six, still occupies it. William Crosbie, who died in August, 1917, at the age of eighty-six was one of the most expert judges of horses in Southeastern Ohio, and made the raising of draft and race horses one of the important features of his farm enterprise. In early years he shipped stock to East Liberty. His brother Michael was at one time sheriff of Perry County, holding that office two terms. As a family the Crosbies have all been democrats and members of the Catholic Church. William Crosbie's first wife was Katherine Powers, who represented a family of early settlers in Perry County. She died in 1870, leaving three children. William Crosbie subsequently married Mary Nangle, who died in 1922, at the age of seventy-five, but there were no children by this marriage. The three children by the first marriage were: Joe, a grocer at Lancaster, Ohio; Miss Mary, of New Lexington; and Frank J.

Dr. Frank J. Crosbie attended rural schools near his birthplace, and he spent five years as a teacher. He finished his literary education in the National Normal University at Lebanon, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree. He was there two years, and subsequently entered Starling Medical College of Columbus, where he was graduated in 1903. At the time of his graduation he had to borrow ten dollars to have his diploma registered and pay his way home. He chose to begin his professional work in the same locality where he had known the people from boyhood, and in the town of Junction

City, Perry County, he still has his home and offices. He is a member of the County and State Medical societies, and for eighteen years has been president of the local school board, reelected in 1923. On the 1st of January, 1924, he was appointed health commissioner of Perry County.

Doctor Crosbie married Anna Frumate, of Somerset, Perry County, daughter of Joseph and Isabel Frumate. They have had four children: Joseph, attending a business college at Columbus; Isabel, a student in Saint Aloysius Academy; Philip, who died in childhood; and Margaret, attending the home school. The family are members of the Catholic Church. Doctor Crosbie is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Earl H. Hanefeld is serving his second term as clerk of courts of Putnam County. He was born in that county, and for a number of years before going into county office, was a successful educator.

He was born July 20, 1889, on a farm three miles west of Kalida, on the bank of the Auglaize River, son of Fred and Minnie (Oglesbee) Hanefeld. His mother was a daughter of Joseph D. Oglesbee, who served as a Union soldier in the Civil war. Fred Hanefeld was born in Germany, January 1, 1865, son of Henry Hanefeld, who two and one-half years later brought his family to the United States and settled in Putnam County, a mile and one-half north of Fort Jennings. Fred Hanefeld was educated in Ohio. He and his wife were married in 1883, and then located on a farm where they have lived for forty years and where their son, Earl H., was born. They are among the substantial and industrious citizens of Putnam County, are active church workers, and he is a Mason and a democrat. There were three children: Mattie, born January 28, 1885, wife of George Andrews, an engineer of the Clover Leaf Railway; Harry, born October 7, 1891, died March 6, 1900; and Earl H., the second child.

Earl H. Hanefeld grew up on the old farm near the Auglaize River, attended common schools there, graduated from the Kalida High School, and subsequently at different times pursued his higher education in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, in Defiance College and the University of Michigan. Mr. Hanefeld was engaged in educational work as a teacher for nine years. He became democratic candidate for clerk of courts of Putnam County, was elected, and his efficiency in office has received the mark of approval by reelection.

July 15, 1915, he married Miss Zella Rower. Mr. Hanefeld is a member of the Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter and Council of the Masonic Order of Ottawa, also of the Eastern Star, and of the Modern Woodmen of America.

Roy N. McCullough is a native of Putnam County, has been identified with its affairs as a practical farmer, as a worker for good government and clean politics, served as a soldier in the World war, and recently had the enviable distinction of being the first republican ever elected sheriff of this county.

He was born in Blanchard Township, at Gilboa, October 31, 1887, son of D. T. and Margaret (Norton) McCullough. His father was born in the same township May 7, 1856, and his mother in Pleasant Township of Putnam County September 23, 1855. They were reared on farms, attended public schools, gained a good education, and after their marriage settled on a farm in Blanchard Township, where for many years they have been among the most honored and respected residents. D. T. McCullough was for fourteen years superintendent of the Sunday school of the Gilboa Methodist Episcopal Church, and during all that time was absent from his duty only twice. He has been an official of the church, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Grange, and is a republican in politics. There were in the family five sons and five daughters: Bessie M., wife of William B. Gearhart; D. U., a farmer in Putnam County; Rose Pearle, wife of Howe Davis, a farmer in Union County; Harry W., deceased; Mabel J., wife of Ben Joseph; John, a blacksmith at Gilboa; Roy N.; Edward W., a farmer in Hancock County; Leona, wife of Frank Hechter; and Miss Lena, at home.

Roy N. McCullough grew up on the old homestead, gained his education in the common and high schools of the county, and as a young man took up farming on his own responsibility. He was on the farm until he volunteered early in the World war, in 1917, and after training in home camps he went overseas with the Thirty-seventh Ohio Division and shared in some of the brilliant record of that division. He was overseas eleven months and was discharged as a first class sergeant.

On May 29, 1918, a short time before going to France, he married Anna A. Evans, of Columbus Grove, Ohio. She was educated in a commercial school and before her marriage was a stenographer and bookkeeper. Mr. and Mrs. McCullough have two daughters, Margaret Ann and Alice Eulyn. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Columbus Grove.

Sheriff McCullough is a charter member of Ottawa Post of the American Legion. Before going into the service he was a member of the County Executive Committee of the republican party in Putnam County.

Ephraim Richard Eastman, judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Putnam County, was admitted to the Ohio bar nearly forty years ago, and in his profession, in business and as a citizen, his life has conformed to the strictest standards of integrity and usefulness.

Judge Eastman is a descendant in the eighth generation of Roger Eastman, who with two brothers came to the American colonies in 1628. They were the sons of John Eastman, who lived in England. Roger Eastman was the only brother to marry, and was the ancestor of practically every Eastman in the United States. The line of descent, naming the heads of families in the successive generations, was: Roger Eastman, Joseph, Peter, Joseph, John, Apolus, Richard K., and Ephraim Richard.

Judge Eastman was born in Champaign County, Ohio, May 6, 1854, son of Richard Kimball and Christian (Groves) Eastman. His father was born in Madison County, Ohio, January 8, 1832, and was reared and educated there. For a time he worked on a farm in Champaign County, and Christian Groves, who was born in Union County, Pennsylvania, May 22, 1832, was also employed at the same farm. They were married in 1852, and for two years they rented a farm in Champaign County. In 1856 they removed to Union County, Ohio. Richard K. Eastman entered the Union army, serving as a corporal, and participated in the battle of Stone River, in the siege of Vicksburg, at Chickamauga and Lookout Mountain, was with Sherman in the Atlanta campaign, on the march to the sea and thence up through the Carolinas and participated in the Grand Review at Washington after the war. For about a year he was on detached service as provost marshal. The State of Ohio gave him a medal of honor for his services, this medal being in the possession of his son, Judge Eastman. After the war he returned to Union County and resumed farming. In 1868 his

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first wife died, leaving seven children. This broke up his home, and he placed his children in different places. Later, after his second marriage, he moved to Van Wert, Ohio, and after the death of his second wife he entered the Old Soldiers' Home in Sandusky, where he died in 1898. He was a Baptist, and was frequently honored with some public responsibilities in the communities where he lived. By his first marriage he was the father of seven children. Two sons, John and Martin, are now deceased. Those still living are: Ephraim Richard; Mrs. Malinda Marks, a widow in Tennessee; Anna T., widow of Frank Stewart; Clara S., wife of A. C. Powers; and Howard E.

Judge Eastman was fourteen years of age when his mother died, and he helped take care of his younger brothers and sisters. Thus he learned the lessons of self reliance at an early age. He was educated in the district schools of Union County, and for twelve years he was a teacher in that and Putnam counties. He also worked as a carpenter. While teaching he studied law at Defiance, Ohio, was admitted to the bar in 1885, and then returned to Putnam County and began practice at Ottawa. Judge Eastman went to Oklahoma at the opening of the southwestern section of that territory in 1901, acquired a claim and improved a farm, and was also engaged in the practice of law at Lawton, the principal town in that district. He remained there about two years, returning to Putnam County, Ohio, in 1903.

Judge Eastman was postmaster of Westerman, Ohio, for a time prior to his admission to the bar, was school director in Monroe Township of Putnam County, was a member of the Putnam Board of Elections and has been one of the spirited speakers in political campaigns, beginning with the presidential candidacy of J. G. Blaine. He became identified with the progressive party in 1912, and was chairman of the Fifth Ohio District in that campaign.

He was elected judge of the Court of Common Pleas in November, 1920, and his term on the bench expires in May, 1927. He has for many years been an influential member of the State Bar Association of Ohio. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has long been prominent in the Masonic order and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a past master of Ottawa Lodge No. 325, Free and Accepted Masons; past high priest of Ottawa Chapter No. 115, Royal Arch Masons; thrice illustrious master of Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters, a member of Shawnee Commandery No. 14, Miami Lodge of Perfection, Knights Templar, Northern Light Council, Princess of Jerusalem, Fort Industry Chapter of Rose Croix, and the Toledo Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and has filled several chairs in the Eastern Star. He is a past noble grand of the subordinate lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, a member of the Encampment and the Rebekahs. Judge Eastman is a thorough scholar, and has the ability to read seven different languages. He has helped promote the business interest of Putnam County, and some years ago he organized the Ottawa Home and Savings Association, and was one of its officials and is still a stockholder.

Judge Eastman and Miss Elizabeth Ellen Parrett were married October 18, 1884. She is a daughter of John S. Parrett, who came to Ohio from Virginia. Mrs. Eastman has been a prominent member of the Woman's Federation of Clubs of Putnam County, president of the County Woman's Suffrage Association and active in various civic and educational movements. Of the eleven children born to Judge and Mrs. Eastman eight are living. Lillian, a graduate of the Ottawa High School and Ohio Wesleyan University, is the wife of F. H. Wolf, judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Fulton County. Orille M., the second daughter, graduated from the same schools as her sister, took post-graduate work in Columbia University, was a high school teacher, and is now the wife of Harry W. Turner. Ivan L., the oldest son, was educated in Ohio State University, in Berea College in Kentucky, and is a graduate mechanical and electrical engineer from Ohio Northern University at Ada. He was a member of the American Rifle Team in the Olympic Games in England in 1908. Maud E. was educated in the Ohio Wesleyan University, the Ohio State University, graduated as a trained nurse from the Protestant Hospital of Columbus, and is the wife of Dr. E. A. Murbach, of Archbold, Ohio. Leroy E. is a graduate of Berea College in Kentucky, attended the Yale Law School one year and spent one year in the Ohio State Law School, practiced with his father for a time and is now a successful attorney at Toledo. Ethel I. was educated in Ohio State University, in Oxford College at Oxford, Ohio, and is the wife of Clinton J. Hixson, an engineer living at Schenectady, New York. Herbert P. was educated in Berea College, spent one year in Union University at Schenectady, New York, also attended Ohio Northern University, and is now practicing law with his father at Ottawa. Marie Eastman was a student for two years in Ohio Wesleyan University after completing her high school work, became a teacher and died May 14, 1924. Harold G., the youngest of the children, finished his education in California. Judge Eastman has achieved distinction in his own career, but he has the most reason to be proud of the splendid family of sons and daughters he has reared and sent into the world so well equipped in education and character.

Howard Espich Kelly, mayor of Hamilton, is one of the expert traffic men of this industrial city. He was formerly in the railroad service. A comparatively young man, he has since boyhood been making his own way, and acquired a liberal education in the intervals of regular employment.

He was born at Middletown, Ohio, August 3, 1888, son of Samuel James and Viora (Law) Kelly. His mother died August 2, 1909. His father is now routing clerk for the Middletown postoffice. Howard Kelly first attended the public schools of Middletown. He was earning his own way while in the later grades. He also paid his expenses in the McClelland Business School at Middletown, studied commercial branches in a Toledo night school, in the La Salle Extension University, and a Catholic school at Middletown. For a time he was employed as a construction engineer with the Cortlandt Construction Company, and then entered the railroad service, filling a number of positions in the yards until he was made yardmaster. From 1910 to 1914 he was assistant general yardmaster.

Mr. Kelly's home has been made at Hamilton since 1909. Since August 13, 1914, he has been with the Hooven-Owens-Rentschler Company as traffic manager. In 1921 Mr. Kelly was the republican nominee for the office of mayor of Hamilton, and was defeated by a very small majority. He was again nominated for the same office in 1923, and was elected in November by over 400 majority, taking up his official duties as chief executive of the municipality on January 1, 1924. Elected as a reformer, he has since entering office put his announced policy into effect with a vigor that has pleased his supporters and has won him the support of the best elements in the city.

Mr. Kelly is a past grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is affiliated with the Eagles and Moose, and in Masonry is a member of the Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council, Consistory and

Shrine. He married Miss Marie Elizabeth Smalley, of Hamilton, daughter of Francis M. and Abbie G. Smalley. She was educated in the public schools and is a member of the Hamilton Woman's Club and the Woman's Civic Club. Both are active in the Presbyterian Church, Mr. Kelly being soloist in the church choir. They have two children, Law Espich, born in 1911 and a student in the public schools, and Howard Bobbie, born in 1921.

W. P. Anderson. One of the representative members of the Lima bar who enjoys public respect and commands confidence because of professional ability and honorable standards of practice is W. P. Anderson.

Mr. Anderson was born at Bluffton, Ohio, March 22, 1877, a son of Harrison and Margaret (Rambo) Anderson, and a grandson of William Anderson. He comes of pioneer ancestry, for his grandfather, who was born at York, Pennsylvania, came to Ohio when young and lived in Columbiana County until 1840, when he removed to Bluffton and bought farming land in Allen County, on which he lived until his death about 1860.

Harrison Anderson, father of W. P., was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, and accompanied his parents to Allen County in 1840. When the Civil war came on he was one of the first to enlist for service, and was a member of Company B, Ninety-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, for three long years of march and battle, but lived to return to the old homestead in Allen County after his honorable discharge from the army. He remained on the old farm for the rest of his life, and died there at the age of seventy-four years. He married Margaret Rambo, who was born in Pennsylvania, and they had one son and one daughter. Mr. Anderson's parents were members of the Presbyterian Church.

W. P. Anderson had public school opportunities in his boyhood and subsequently attended the Ohio Normal School, after which he taught school for a time and in the meanwhile began the reading of law, in preparation for entering the law department of Ohio Northern University, from which he was graduated in 1902. On passing his law examination he was admitted to the bar in the same year and established himself first at Bluffton, but after a year of practice there came to Lima, in October, 1903, and this city has been his personal and professional home ever since. He has built up a very substantial practice here with reputable clients, and for some time has been counsel for the Citizens Loan & Building Company. Under appointment he has served as judge of the Municipal Court.

Mr. Anderson married, June 1, 1905, Miss Blanche Leyde, of Newton Falls, Trumbull County, Ohio. Her father, Cyrus B. Leyde, was a cousin of President U. S. Grant. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are members of the Market Street Presbyterian Church. He belongs to the Allen County Bar Association, and to the Fraternal Order of Moose. In political sentiment he is a republican, as was his father.

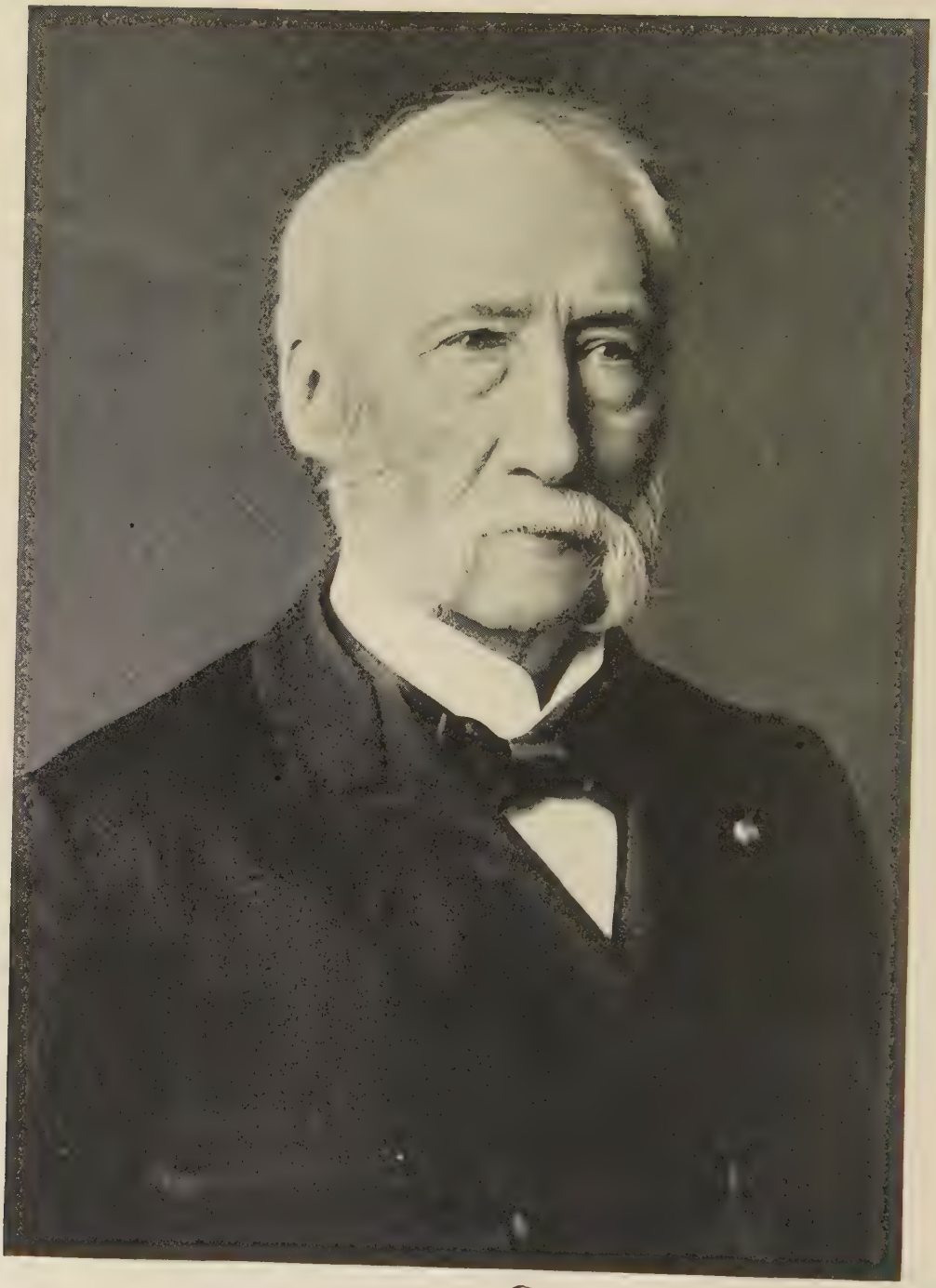
Reed M. Winegardner. One of the alert and able young men of Lima, who is building up an excellent practice as an attorney, is Reed M. Winegardner, with offices in the Steiner Building. He was born at Harrod, Allen County, Ohio, March 2, 1900, a son of Lewis J. and Mary (Turner) Winegardner, and grandson of Anthony Winegardner, a native of Perry County, Ohio. The paternal great-grandfather was born in Virginia, but when a young man he migrated to Ohio. The maternal great-grandfather, Lot Turner, a native of Virginia, came to Ohio at an early day, and married a lady whose first name was Elizabeth, and who was a native of Greene County, Ohio. Both the Winegardners and Turners acquired land and followed farming with profitable results. A grandaunt, Mary, married Jefferson Winegardner, a distant relative, and one of the most successful men of Fairfield County, Ohio, who at his death left an estate of a quarter of a million dollars. The mother of Mr. Winegardner of this review was an educated lady, and taught school for some time. While she was acquiring her preliminary education she was a classmate of present United States Senator Hon. S. D. Fess. All her life she took an active interest in church and welfare work. She was born at Harrod, Ohio, May 26, 1863, and died February 1, 1910. Her brother, P. W. Turner, is a successful business man and inventor at Ada, and is now president of The Turnerized Roofing Company, whose plants are located at Ada and New Orleans, Louisiana. In addition to his interest in this mammoth enterprise he has extensive land holdings in various sections of the country. The father of the Mr. Winegardner of whom we write was born at Harrod, and he survives the mother, and makes his home at Marion, Ohio. After the death of his first wife he married a Miss May Royce, of West Virginia, who was brought to Lima by her parents when she was four years old. There were four children by the first marriage: Stanley, who is employed by the Huber Manufacturing Company of Marion, Ohio, and travels considerably for his house; Edna, who married C. B. Johnston, and lives near Harrod, Ohio, where she and her husband own and operate a large stock farm; Byron, who died in May, 1922, aged twenty-four, had already had a successful business career; and Reed M., who was the youngest child of his parents. By his second marriage the father also had four children born to him, namely: Earl, Beulah, Lewis J., and Wanda.

After going through the grade schools Reed M. Winegardner was graduated from the Harrod High School, and he also had one year in high school at Lafayette, Ohio. He then entered the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, and in 1921 was graduated from its law department with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Immediately thereafter he came to Lima and entered at once upon a general practice.

On August 7, 1919, Mr. Winegardner married Miss Lorine Ohler, born in Auglaize County, Ohio, a daughter of Floyd and Avis (Davison) Ohler, the latter of whom is deceased. Mr. Ohler has been very successful and owns a number of valuable farms. His brother James is a large landowner in Lima, and Los Angeles, California. Mr. and Mrs. Winegardner have two children: Evelyn and Muriel. Mr. Winegardner belongs to the Allen County Bar Association. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, and the Loyal Order of Moose, being vice-dictator of the Lima lodge of the latter order. A young man of a strongly religious turn of mind, he is a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a teacher in the Sunday school, treasurer of the Allen County Sunday School Association, and belongs to the Young Men's Christian Association, as well as to many other social and civic organizations in the city.

J. J. Weadock, one of the able attorneys practicing at the bar of Lima, has won his present prestige in his profession by the exercise of his natural abilities.

He was born at Lima, September 4, 1873, a son of Thomas M. and Catherine A. (Gormley) Weadock, natives of Canada, and Brooklyn, New York, respectively. Thomas M. Weadock acquired his preliminary educational training in the schools of Canada, and then, deciding upon a professional career, studied medicine at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor,



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Michigan, from which university he graduated in 1871. Following the acquisition of a diploma he located at Lima and began the practice of medicine, remaining here from then until his death, January 20, 1905. During this long period he built up a very large connection which extended throughout Allen County, and he was beloved by the many to whom he ministered. For a number of years he was head medical examiner of the Catholic Knights of Ohio. Three children were born to him and his wife, namely: J. J., who was the eldest born; Dr. Edward G., who succeeded to his father's practice; and M. Catherine, who is a teacher now connected with the University of Arkansas.

A graduate of the Lima High School, class of 1892, J. J. Weadock later attended Assumption College, Sandusky, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1894. His legal training was secured in the law department of his father's alma mater from which he was graduated in 1896, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Coming to Lima, he took the necessary state examinations, and was admitted to the bar of the state that same year. For a year he practiced alone, and then for two years was in partnership with Hon. Kent W. Hughes. Mr. Weadock then entered the firm of Motter & Mackenzie, the name becoming Motter, Mackenzie & Weadock. With the death of Mr. Motter the name was changed to Mackenzie & Weadock. Later Ralph P. Mackenzie was taken into the firm, and still later Paul L. Landis became a partner, so the firm name now is Mackenzie, Weadock, Mackenzie & Landis. This is one of the strongest legal associations in Allen County, and the partners enjoy a very large and remunerative practice, handling some of the most important jurisprudence of this part of the state. For four years, between 1911 and 1914, Mr. Weadock served for two terms of two years each as prosecuting attorney of Allen County, and in this connection, as in all others, displayed that attention to duty and strong sense of personal responsibility so characteristic of him.

On June 24, 1903, Mr. Weadock married Miss Mary A. Cunningham, a daughter of P. J. and Mary Cunningham, old residents of Lima. Mr. and Mrs. Weadock have had the following children born to them: James J., who attended the parochial schools of Lima and the Lima High School, was graduated from the literary department of the University of Michigan, and in the fall of 1924 will enter the law department of that same university to prepare himself for the legal profession; Mary L., who is a student of the Lima Ohio High School. Very prominent in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Mr. Weadock has served the Lima Lodge as exalted ruler.

ERNEST M. BOTKIN. Among the well known professional men of Lima, one who has made rapid progress in the law and proved capable and efficient wherever duty has called is Ernest M. Botkin, a leading member of the Lima bar, who is now serving in his second term as justice of the peace.

Judge Botkin was born at St. Marys, Auglaize County, Ohio, October 20, 1888, a son of George and Mary (Lutterbein) Botkin, and a grandson of John Botkin, who was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, in 1823. His father, William Botkin, came to Montgomery County from Virginia, and was a pioneer settler there, and later was one of the earliest permanent settlers in Shelby County. George Botkin, father of Judge Botkin, was born in Shelby County, Ohio, and was a farmer there until 1902, when he came to Lima and entered the employ of the Lake Erie & Western Railroad Company. He married Mary Lutterbein, born at St. Marys, Ohio, who died in 1893. Of their four children Ernest M. was the youngest.

Judge Botkin remained with his father on the home farm until the latter came to Lima, when he went to the home of an uncle near St. Marys. He had public school advantages there and later entered the law department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, completed his law course and was admitted to the bar of Ohio in December, 1913. He immediately established himself in practice at Lima, and this city has continued to be his home and the scene of his professional success. He began as a general practitioner, but very early in his career displayed such knowledge and understanding of the law as to attract attention and without effort on his part, placed him in direct line for a judicial appointment. Four years after he had commenced practice he was elected county judge of the Appellate Criminal Court. He served as such from 1917 to 1919, and in the fall of the latter year was elected justice of the peace for Ottawa Township, which includes the City of Lima, and in 1923 was reelected for four more years.

Judge Botkin married at Cincinnati, Ohio, in October, 1917, Miss Thelma Dunham, daughter of Rev. W. J. and Grace (Cooper) Dunham. The father of Mrs. Botkin is pastor of the Hyde Park Methodist Episcopal Church at Cincinnati. He has long been prominent in the councils of that religious body and formerly was superintendent of the Dayton District. Judge and Mrs. Botkin have one daughter, Marjory. They are active members of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church at Lima, the judge being a church trustee and superintendent of the Sunday school. His political affiliation has always been with the democratic party, but those who know Judge Botkin best are well aware that no bias of any kind sways his judgment or alters his decision from what he knows to be right. For a number of years he has belonged to the fraternal orders of the Elks and the Moose.

HON. E. B. FOLLETT, who went on the bench of the Court of Common Pleas at Marietta at the age of thirty-two, is a prominent member of the bar of Washington County. He is a son of a former justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio. Judge Follett served with the rank of major in the advocate general's office during the World war.

The home in which he was born July 10, 1878, is one of the historic places of the old City of Marietta, known as the Governor Meigs Mansion, fronting the Muskingum River. Governor Meigs started the building of this house in 1800 and it was finished in 1802 and stood sturdily for over a century. The parents of Edward B. Follett were Judge Martin Dewey and Abbie (Bailey) Follett.

Judge Martin Dewey Follett was born at Enosburg, Vermont, in 1826, son of John Fassett and Sarah L. (Woodward) Follett. John Fassett Follett brought his family from Vermont to Ohio overland in a covered wagon, and was a pioneer settler of Granville, Ohio. All the sons of John Fassett Follett became men of distinction, including Judge Charles A., of Newark, Ohio; John, of Cincinnati, who served as a member of the Legislature and speaker of the House; Alfred, who became a physician at Granville; George and Austin, who were New York business men.

Judge Martin Dewey Follett graduated with highest honors from Marietta College in 1853, and received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1856. He was admitted to the bar in 1859, and for many years enjoyed an extensive general practice. He acquired a competency, but did not value money for itself. He sought the comforts of life, and his purchase of the Governor Meigs Mansion was for the purpose of secur-

ing a comfortable home. He was a stockholder in the Marietta Chair Company.

He was elected a justice of the Ohio Supreme Court in 1883, and served until 1885. He was a democrat, and frequently honored by his party, being a member of the National Democratic Committee in 1864, and democratic nominee for Congress. He was one of the earliest Ohio men to take an interest in prison reform, and was a delegate to the International Prison Congress at Brussels in 1900. He was a member of the State, National and International Prison associations, the State Board of Charities of Ohio, the American Bar Association and the National Society of Charities. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, and a life member of the Historical and Archæological Society of Ohio. He was a trustee of the First Congregational Church and for many years a trustee of Marietta College.

Judge Martin D. Follett, who died in 1911, married in 1856 Harriet L. Shipman, of Marietta. By this marriage there were three children: Grace, who died in girlhood; Charles, who was drowned while skating on the Muskingum River, and Alfred Dewey, who became a Marietta attorney, serving as city solicitor, trustee of Marietta College and director of the Peoples Banking and Trust Company and died in 1918. In 1875 Judge M. D. Follett married Abbie M. Bailey, of Lowell, Massachusetts, and of this marriage Edward B. Follett is the only child. Abbie M. Bailey was educated in Andover, Massachusetts, and for a time was a teacher in the famous Phillips Academy there, and later she taught in the public schools of Ohio. Three of her ancestors fought in the battle of Bunker Hill at the beginning of the Revolutionary war. She is now seventy-eight years of age and a resident of Marietta.

Judge Edward B. Follett acquired his early education in the public schools of Marietta, spent one year in the Marietta Academy and graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Marietta College in 1900. He had one year of study in the Harvard Law School, and finished his legal education in the Western Reserve University at Cleveland. In his early law practice he was associated with his father in the firm of Follett and Follett. He served as prosecuting attorney of Washington County in 1906-10, and in 1910 was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court. He went on the bench in 1911, and in 1916 was reelected without opposition, but in 1918 resigned his place on the bench to accept the rank of major in the judge advocate general's office, serving as camp judge advocate at Camp Lee, Virginia. Since the close of the World war, Judge Follett has resumed his general law practice at Marietta.

He was elected the first commander of the local post of the American Legion, and was the first president of the Rotary Club. He belongs to the Country Club, is a Knight Templar Mason, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. He is a member of the Congregational Church and his wife is a Unitarian. Judge Follett married Miss Janette Lockwood, daughter of Thomas J. Lockwood. They have an adopted son, Thomas L.

WILLIAM LEONARD MACKENZIE. Perhaps no member of the legal profession at Lima occupies so assured a position at the bar, or is more thoroughly representative of all those qualities which combine to make worthy citizenship, than William Leonard Mackenzie, senior member of the law firm of Mackenzie, Weadock, Mackenzie & Landis, of this city, general practitioners and corporation lawyers and consultants.

William Leonard Mackenzie was born at Lima, Ohio, July 10, 1859, son of Judge James and Lucina P. (Leonard) Mackenzie, and grandson of William Lyon Mackenzie, and with an illustrious background of ancestral Mackenzies who, in their achievements, illustrate many pages of old Scotland's history.

William Lyon Mackenzie was born in Scotland, March 12, 1795. In 1820, an ambitious, gifted, conscientious young man, he came to the Dominion of Canada, and in 1824 established his newspaper, the Colonial Advocate, at Toronto, and four years later was elected to the Provincial Parliament for York. He at once embarked on a public career that aroused personal admiration and enthusiasm on the one side, but, because of the ever present public conflicting interests, great animosity on the other. Plunging into politics, he became the leader of the Reform Party, and in 1832, upon the termination of his first four years in Parliament, was sent as a delegate to present Canada's grievances in London. In 1834 he was elected the first mayor of Toronto. He was earnest and in his battle for reform in every branch of the government, he publicly attacked the lieutenant-governor of the Province in his newspaper, and in 1837, despairing of redress, headed a band of armed insurgents who demanded of this high official a settlement of grievances so generally complained of. Although long since reforms far more radical than the insurgents asked for have been granted, Mr. Mackenzie and his followers were not successful in 1837 and he was banished from Canada. During his period of exclusion from the Dominion he made his home in the United States, but under the amnesty proclamation of 1849, returned to Canada, where he again took an active part in public affairs, and was a member of the Dominion Parliament again from 1850 until 1858. He died at Toronto in 1861.

James Mackenzie was born in Dundee, Scotland, July 14, 1814. He learned the printing trade in his father's office, and all his life, notwithstanding heavy responsibilities and high honors in other directions, he maintained an interest in journalism. He was fully in accord with his father's reform ideas and practically gave demonstration by accompanying and fighting with the insurgents on the frontier in 1837, and later retired from Canada with his father to the United States. He founded a newspaper at this time at Lockport, New York, the Freemans Advocate, designed to help the Canadian cause, and conducted it for two years and then became a reporter and local editor of the Workingmans Advocate, published by Vick & Co., at Rochester, New York.

In the meantime Mr. Mackenzie had determined on the law as a career, and with this end in view came to Cleveland, Ohio, to continue studies commenced at Lockport, and completed his law course in the office of Bishop & Backus, Cleveland, and was admitted to the bar in 1843. He opened a law office in Henry County, Ohio, was elected township clerk in 1844 and prosecuting attorney for Henry County in 1845, but removed to Putnam County, where he again entered journalism, purchasing the Kalida Venture, which he successfully conducted for ten years. He served as prosecuting attorney of Putnam County during 1846, 1847 and 1850, and in 1853 was elected to the Ohio State Legislature. In 1858 he removed to Allen County and edited and published the Allen County Democrat for two and a half years, and from 1861-3 served as prosecuting attorney. In 1865 he was elected judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and again in 1869 and in 1874, not retiring from the bench until 1879, when he resumed private practice in association with Theodore D. Robb at Lima. His death took place in this city May 9, 1901. By his marriage with Lucina P. Leonard seven children were born.

Arthur J. Kennedy, M. D.

William Leonard Mackenzie attended the public schools at Lima and afterward read law under his father's supervision and also in the office of Isaiah Pillars, attorney-general of Ohio. He was admitted to the bar in 1862, and established himself in practice at Lima, where he has ever since continued, choosing his associates carefully in the building up of a strong firm that, like himself, stands for hard work, honorable effort and professional ability and integrity. He is senior member of the law firm of Mackenzie, Weadock, Mackenzie & Landis, general attorneys and corporation lawyers. This firm has, together with lesser interests, the bulk of the legal business of the leading banks, railroads, building and loan, manufacturing and other corporate interests, and a large amount of business is handled.

Mr. Mackenzie married, June 14, 1884, Miss Florence E. Holmes, daughter of Branson P. Holmes and Jane Williams Holmes of Lima, and they have two sons: William H. and Ralph P. From the public schools of Lima the youths entered the famous college preparatory school at Lawrenceville, New Jersey, and both subsequently were graduated from Yale University. William H. Mackenzie was engaged in banking for some time afterward, but now gives his time and attention to the management of his large real estate holdings. Ralph P. Mackenzie spent three years in the law school at Ann Arbor, Michigan, where he graduated after graduating from Yale, was then admitted to the bar and is now a member of his father's law firm at Lima. Later he returned to Michigan for post-graduate work. The Mackenzie name is still a notable one in Canada, being borne by no less a distinguished statesman than Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie-King, who is a first cousin of William Leonard Mackenzie of Lima.

EDMUND G. DEMPSTER. In naming Lima's representative citizens of the present day, familiar old pioneer names are very apt to be disclosed, for that sturdy stock has greatly prevailed in Ohio, generation after generation maintaining its old basic principles that honest industry and Christian living are the best assurances of future independence. Such a reputation pertains to the Dempsters, who came to Ohio in 1830, and a prominent member of this honorable old family is Edmund G. Dempster, an able member of the bar and an expert accountant at Lima.

Edmund G. Dempster was born at Ada, Hardin County, Ohio, September 18, 1877, one of a family of four sons born to George and Mary Susan (Clark) Dempster, and a grandson of Albert Dempster and Thomas Clark. In 1830 Albert Dempster and an older brother came to Ohio from Pennsylvania, and about the same time came Thomas Clark, also from Pennsylvania. They came to make permanent settlement, and both located in Hardin County, settling in the heavy timber, where they practically carved out homes and developed farms from the wilderness.

George Dempster, father of Edmund G., was born on his father's pioneer farm in Hardin County. He attended the country schools, for this class of pioneers early built schools and churches, but in his youth evidenced so alert a mind that it was most fortunate that already a school had been founded in which he could pursue higher branches of study. This institution was a small college that had been started at Ada by Professor Lehr, an Eastern scholarly man, and among his earliest pupils were George Dempster and Mary Susan Clark, the latter of whom was the first to enroll as a student of music. From that beginning has been developed the Ohio Northern University, with its scores of graduates all over the world. George Dempster had a scientific mind, became an expert mathematician, and later engaged in construction work and engineering. His death occurred in 1911, in New York City. He was a man of high personal character, and from youth a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married his college mate, Miss Mary Susan Clark, who survives and resides at Lima. They had four sons born to them.

Edmund G. Dempster received his early educational training in Hardin County, but after his parents settled at Lima, in 1886, he attended the graded schools and also pursued some branches of study in the night schools before entering the Ohio Northern University, from which he was graduated in 1903, and in 1904 was graduated from the law department of the same with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the bar immediately afterward, and opened his law offices in the Holmes Building at Lima, where he has continued to maintain them. In 1904 he was elected to the office of justice of the peace, and in 1907 he was reelected and served four terms. For some years past Mr. Dempster has also been in business as an expert accountant and administrator, and one of his particularly successful administrative cases was that of the Ada Telephone Exchange. Mr. Dempster took charge of its affairs when they were in a deplorable condition, while now, through his able management, the business has been placed on a sound foundation and is a paying enterprise.

Mr. Dempster married at Lima, Ohio, October 3, 1903, Miss Lelia M. Maxwell, daughter of Charles C. and Katie (Meyers) Maxwell. Her grandfather, Jackson Meyers, belonged to a pioneer family of Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Dempster have seven children: Russell Ellis, who is a student in the mechanical engineering department of Ohio Northern University at Ada; Dorothy May, who is attending the classical department of De Pauw University, Indiana; and Eleanor, Edith, Martha, Edmund G. and David, all of whom are attending school at Lima. Mr. Dempster is one of the city's busy professional men and enjoys the reputation of being one of the most trustworthy. He is no seeker for political preferment, although now, as always, a loyal supporter of the principles and candidates of the republican party. He is a member of the Market Street Presbyterian Church, while Mrs. Dempster was reared in the Christian Church. He is a Mason of advanced degree, belonging to the Chapter, Commandery and Consistory, and he belongs also to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

ARTHUR J. KENNEDY. Nestled among the trees and valleys of Brown County, Minnesota, stood a small log cabin in which on April 30, 1877, was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Kennedy a brown-eyed baby boy who was named Arthur James.

At an early age he began his education receiving all that was taught in the eight grades in the little red brick schoolhouse. After attending the State Normal School at Mankato, Minn., he taught school, then completed the course offered at the Mount Vernon College, in Mount Vernon, Ohio. June 2, 1902, he founded the Newark Sanitarium, Newark, Ohio.

On September, 1905, he was united in marriage to Miss Dora Jean Swanson of Newark, Ohio. Ever keeping in mind the needs of suffering humanity he decided to attend medical school in Chicago, Ill. Then to Hartford, Connecticut, finishing a course in Natureopathy in which line he is practicing at 163 W. Main Street, Newark, Ohio.

He is the father of six children, namely, Edna M., Kathryn Ruth, Arthur James, Jr.; Eleanor F., Robert Bruce and Ralph Newton. Edna M., born in Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, the rest all born in Newark, Ohio.

Arthur J. Kennedy, specialist in electrical and natureopathic treatments and founder of the Newark Sanitarium, has been identified with Newark as a professional man and citizen for over twenty years. When he first came to Newark the science of electrotherapy was in its infancy, and he has kept pace with the remarkable progress made in that field every successive year. He has maintained the sanitarium with the most approved and modern devices available for his work, and is licensed to practice under the Limited Practitioners law of Ohio.

Doctor Kennedy prepared for his profession in various medical and professional schools of the highest standing. He was born and spent the years of his childhood at the Village of Sleepy Eye in Brown County, Minnesota. Soon after coming to Newark in 1902 he founded the Newark Sanitarium of which he was the proprietor until 1924 when it was taken over by E. E. Opdyke. Doctor Kennedy remains in the institution and all his work in electro-therapy and natureopathic treatments is done at the sanitarium. It is an institution which due to his intelligent and skillful direction has enjoyed a notable success.

Doctor Kennedy's high standing as a citizen and professional man was shown by his election in 1923 to the office of president of the Newark Kiwanis Club. It was no doubt his work in connection with his profession that led to this honor. In 1921 he delivered a series of eighteen health talks to the pupils of the Newark Public schools. He was one of those who inaugurated the movement for furnishing pure milk for undernourished children, the entire financing of which was undertaken by the Kiwanis Club, of which he is now president. In various other ways Doctor Kennedy has given his aid and encouragement to civic welfare in Newark.

Capt. Neil R. Poling. A capable and efficient attorney and jurist, Capt. Neil R. Poling, judge of the Criminal Court of the City of Lima, is a man whose conscientious performance of duty and excellent judgment mark his decisions in the cases brought before him. He was born near Ada, Hardin County, Ohio, June 17, 1895, a son of James C. Poling, grandson of Samuel Poling, and a descendant of Jonathan Poling, the progenitor of the family in Ohio, where he arrived in 1775. Farming has been the principal occupation of the Poling family in Ohio, although some of its members have entered the professions. James C. Poling, who was born near Ada, is a civil engineer, but his father, born in Hocking County, Ohio, was an agriculturist. In addition to carrying on a general engineering practice, James C. Poling has served as county engineer of Hardin County. For some years he has been one of the representative men and good citizens of Kenton, Ohio. His wife, who was Miss Charlotte Robinson, was born in Hardin County, Ohio.

The eldest of a family of three children, Judge Poling attending the grammar and high schools, and was graduated from the latter at Ada. He learned what hard work meant in his youth, and this rigid training is of great assistance to him now. When a case is brought up to him he can view it from a workingman's standpoint, as well as from that of a legalist and jurist. In 1914 he entered the law department of the Northern Ohio University, from which he was graduated in 1920, and his admission to the bar followed that same year.

His long term of six years of professional training was interrupted by his military service. On July 13, 1917, he enlisted in Company G, Second Ohio Infantry, was mustered in at Ada, and sent to Montgomery, Alabama. There he remained until June, 1918, when he was sent to France as a corporal, under Colonel Pickering, of the One Hundred and Forty-sixth Infantry. For a short time he was in the Argonne sector, where he attended the Officers' Training School, and while he was there the armistice was signed. Early in April, 1919, he was returned to the United States, and was mustered out. Shortly thereafter his commission as a second lieutenant was sent him, but he did not accept it.

Coming to Lima following his admission to the bar, he became associated with the Ohio National Guard as a second lieutenant, and in March, 1923, he was elected captain of Battery D, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery, which rank he still holds.

In September, 1923, he was appointed judge of the Criminal Court to fill out an unexpired term, and was elected to the same office, for a four-year term, in November of that year.

On April 23, 1921, Judge Poling married Miss E. Ruth Hardesty, a daughter of Charles L. Hardesty. Judge Poling belongs to the Masonic fraternity, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the American Legion.

Emmit E. Everett. Standing deservedly high among the able men practicing at the bar of Lima, Emmit E. Everett measures up to the highest standards of American citizenship, and is recognized as a credit to his profession. He was born in Monroe Township, Allen County, Ohio, May 21, 1876, a son of Jasper and Margaret (Reeder) Everett, both natives of Allen County, Ohio. The paternal grandfather, Jacob Doty Everett, and his wife, Elizabeth (Bush) Everett, were both natives of Pennsylvania, and the maternal grandparents, Henry and Sarah (Hawk) Reeder, were also born in the Keystone State. Henry Reeder walked from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Allen County, Ohio, in 1837, following in his trip the blazed trail of those before him when he could, and when there was none, put his own marks on the way to guide others who might follow. Upon his arrival in Allen County he located in Jackson Township, and was one of the pioneers of that region. The Everetts upon coming to this country first located in Massachusetts, where they became very prominent in the affairs of the colony. The City of Everett, Massachusetts, is named in honor of the family, and in it is a bronze statue of Edward Everett, one of the early governors of Massachusetts. Jacob Doty Everett, the paternal grandfather, came to Ohio in the late '30s and located in Monroe County, where he acquired a large amount of land. While he was a man of great energy, he died at an early age, not having been spared to enjoy the fruits of his hard work. On the other hand, the maternal grandfather, Henry Reeder, lived to the age of seventy-three, and then met his death in an accident with his team while hauling timber without any assistance. He, too, was a man of great energy, and up to the age of seventy could outwork any man half his age.

Jasper Everett, the father, is still living, being now seventy-three years old, and during his active years he was engaged in farming. At present he is still residing on some of the land his father secured upon coming to Ohio. All his life he has been deeply interested in public affairs, but, although often urged to do so, has never been willing to serve in office save that of school director and trustee. Too young for active service in the war of the '60s, he followed in spirit the fortunes of an elder brother, who was a soldier in General Sherman's memorable "March to the Sea," and those of another brother who was confined as a prisoner at Andersonville.

Emmit E. Everett attended the district schools of Monroe Township, and at the age of eighteen years began teaching school, first in Allen County and later

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in Montgomery County. Subsequently he was a student of the Lutheran College at Lima, from which he was graduated. During his spare moments he studied law, and in 1903 entered the law department of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1905, and that same year was admitted to the bar. He began practice in Lima, where he has since continued, building up a large and valuable connection. From 1908 to 1916 he was a justice of the peace.

On August 26, 1900, Mr. Everett married Miss Gracia Crum, of Tiffin, Ohio, a daughter of Henry O. and Belle (Meyers) Crum, both natives of Seneca County, Ohio. The paternal grandfather was a sergeant in the Union army. The maternal grandmother, Olive Priscilla Greene, was a daughter of Captain Greene, a soldier of the War of 1812, who was with General Jackson at the battle of New Orleans. He was a son of General Greene of Revolutionary fame. Mr. and Mrs. Everett have two children: Paul, who is attending college; and William Howard, who is attending high school. Mr. Everett has taken a most active part in Masonry, and is a past master of the Blue Lodge, past high priest of the Chapter, and has been advanced through the thirty-second degree in that order. He is also a royal arch captain of the Grand Chapter of Ohio. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The Methodist Episcopal Church is his religious home.

Hon. Thomas Roy Hamilton. An able attorney, Hon. Thomas Roy Hamilton, of Lima, is a credit to his profession and state. He was born in Orange Township, Hancock County, Ohio, February 26, 1867, and belongs to old American families on both sides of his house. He is a son of Jonathan and Sarah Ann (Anderson) Hamilton, both natives of Ohio, the former born in 1842. In August, 1862, Jonathan Hamilton enlisted in the Ninety-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war of the '60s, although he was at the time of his honorable discharge, in July, 1865, attached to the Fiftieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, to which he and the remnant of his regiment had been transferred. With his command he participated in the Grand Review of the victorious troops at Washington. The transfer of his original regiment was made after the battle of Chickamauga, in which the Ninety-ninth was almost exterminated. The Hamilton family came originally of Scotch-Irish stock, Presbyterian in faith, and was established in the New World by the great-grandparents of Mr. Hamilton of whom we write. His grandparents, John and Elizabeth (Shaw) Hamilton, were Pennsylvanians, who later migrated to Ohio and became pioneers of Hancock County. Mrs. Hamilton, mother of Thomas Roy Hamilton, was a very active church worker, and a lady of lovely character. She and her husband were successful farmers of Hancock County for many years.

After a boyhood and youth spent in youthful occupations and public school attendance, when he reached his majority Thomas R. Hamilton began teaching school during the winter months, and during the summer ones attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and pursued this course for seven years, for three years of this period being superintendent of the high school at Beaver Dam, Ohio. On October 4, 1894, he was admitted to the bar of Ohio, and began a legal practice in the firm of Ridenour & Halphill, and six months later, opened an office of his own. He has since conducted a large practice, and is recognized as one of the leaders of the bar of Allen County.

On August 14, 1895, Mr. Hamilton married Miss Leta McBride, a daughter of William and Lilly (Gates) McBride, the former a successfull merchant of Beaver Dam, and a most highly respected citizen. Mrs. Hamilton died January 8, 1916, leaving the following children: Ruth Ardella, who attended the Lima public schools, the Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, and the Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio, was graduated from the last-named institution, and is now taking a post-graduate course at Western Reserve College; and Helen May, who is attending the Western Reserve College at Cleveland.

On October 27, 1923, Mr. Hamilton married Miss Nell E. Leyde, a member of an old family of Newton Falls, Ohio. Mrs. Hamilton was physical director of the Young Woman's Christian Association at Patterson, New Jersey, for some years prior to her marriage. Mr. Hamilton is a loyal and public-spirited citizen, an able and conscientious lawyer, and stands deservedly high in the esteem of the people of Allen County. He is a member of the Church of Christ, belongs to its Official Board, and is teacher of the Men's Class of 100 members in the Sunday school. Fraternally he belongs to the Sons of Veterans, the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Robert W. Murray is one of the notable figures in the mining industry not because he has acquired and operated extensive mining properties, but because he has given the industry an invention that has increased efficiency and the economical working of mines. His invention is one of the many that have served to lighten the burdens of the world in producing the necessities of life.

Mr. Murray was born at Frostburg, Maryland, April 3, 1877, a son of David and Christina (Brinstine) Murray. His father was born in Scotland, and was brought to the United States at the age of two years, while the mother was one year old when brought from Amsterdam, Holland. David Murray served as Union soldier in the Civil war, participating in many battles, and being forty-eight days at the siege of Vicksburg. For many years he was a practical coal miner, working in Maryland, in and near Birmingham, Alabama, and also in the Hocking Valley coal field of Ohio, at Corning and Shawnee. Now, at the advanced age of eighty-three, he lives at Frostburg, Maryland. He is affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife died in 1916, at the age of seventy-three. They had six children, three sons now living: Charles, John and Robert W. Charles and John are practical miners at Corning.

Robert W. Murray after attending public schools started to dig coal in the mines at the age of fourteen, and subsequently became an engineer, operating the pumps and engines.

One of the great problems of mining was due to the injurious action of water on the pumps and other machinery. Water in the mines frequently carries large amount of injurious chemicals and other materials in solution. Particularly in coal mines is the water contaminated with sulphur and its various compounds, including sulphuric acid. Sulphuric acid is one of the most destructive agents known on all metals, even brass or bronze. Consequently the old type of iron pump was quickly corroded, and not only was replacement heavy expense, but work had to be completely interrupted while new installation was being made. It has long been known that wood will withstand the action of mine acid and sulphur waters better than any other substance. However, the making of a practical pump from wood remained for the experimental genius, Robert W. Murray, to achieve. While he was working as a miner in Sunday Creek Mine 253 at Rendville, he made his first wood pump,

in 1906, whittling it out in his spare time. That was eighteen years ago, and the first all wood pump he built is still in use. It was installed in Mine No. 253. He then built a pump for the Tropic Mining Company at Rosefarm, now a part of the Ohio Collieries, for which concern Mr. Murray has built two of the largest pumps of their kind in the State of Ohio. The Tropic Mine was almost unworkable on account of the large amount of sulphuric acid in the water, the only metal pump that could be used at all being one made of brass or bronze. At that time Mr. Burger was general superintendent of the Tropic Mine. It was the success of the Murray all wood pump at the Tropic mines that made it possible for Mr. Murray to start an independent industry for the manufacture of his type of pump. At first the Star Manufacturing Company of New Lexington manufactured the pump, but subsequently he erected a plant of his own, and late in 1923 his company known as the Murray Pump and Valve Manufacturing Company, entered its handsome new modern factory. This company is the only manufacturer of the all-wood pump for mines in the country, and the pumps were all originated by Mr. Murray. The company manufactures an extensive line of many types, suitable for all conditions, and many of the largest coal operating companies in the Middle West use the Murray all-wood pumps exclusively.

Mr. Murray married in 1904 Miss Mary Murray, daughter of Owen F. Murray of Rendville. She died in 1910, leaving two children, Mary and Eugene, now attending school at New Lexington. In 1920 Mr. Murray married Miss Esther Bowen, daughter of John Bowen, of New Lexington. They have one daughter, Martha. Mr. Murray is a Catholic, is a member of the Elks, and is a director of the Kiwanis Club of New Lexington.

H. Edmund Garling. The legal profession at Lima, Ohio, is ably represented by men of talent and education, who are creditable members of the community socially. A well known member of this professional body is E. Edmund Garling, who for the past eighteen years has been engaged in the practice of law here and has won high standing in the profession.

Mr. Garling was born at Port Jefferson, Shelby County, Ohio, October 10, 1881, and is a son of William E. and Anna (Hicks) Garling, and a grandson of William F. Garling. The grandfather was the pioneer of the family in Ohio, coming from Pennsylvania in early manhood, he located first in Fairfield County but later settled permanently in Logan County. He acquired land and cleared and cultivated it, married and reared a family, and passed away on his own farm, at the age of eighty-four years.

William E. Garling was born in Logan County, Ohio, and, like his father, followed mainly an agricultural life on the old home farm. He was a well educated man, however, and for a number of years varied the monotony of farm life by teaching school and taking an active part in local public affairs. He married Anna Hicks, who was born in New Jersey, and they had four children, H. Edmund being the first born.

Mr. Garling received his early education in the district schools but later became a student in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and afterward, until he completed his university course, alternated his university work with teaching school. In 1903 he entered upon the serious study of law, and was admitted to the bar in 1906 and shortly afterward came to Lima and entered upon the practice of his profession, for a time being alone but later, with a partner, was junior member of the law firm of Emmons & Garling. An interval of four years again alone subsequently followed, when he admitted Mr. Kies to partnership, and this connection continued until 1923, since when Mr. Garling has again been alone. He has met with professional success, and on many occasions has been associated with court cases of great importance. For three years he served as city attorney of Lima, one year by appointment and two years by election. He is a member of the County, State and National Bar associations.

Mr. Garling married, December 28, 1908, Miss Ethel Huber, who was born in Logan County, Ohio, daughter of Isaiah Huber, and they have one son, Eugene Huber. Mr. Garling is prominent in republican politics in the state, and is chairman of the executive committee of the republican party of Allen County.

Augustus H. Wehinger, who at the present time is secretary-treasurer of the Ottawa Tile Company at Ottawa, Ohio, was born in Piqua, Miami County, Ohio, on the 4th of October, 1874, and is the son of Anton and Abbie (Lenhart) Wehinger. The father was born at Fort Loramie, Shelby County, Ohio, on February 10, 1853, and the mother was born near Riney, Shelby County, Ohio, in 1849. After a useful and creditable life the mother passed away on October 25, 1921. Both father and mother were reared on farms, and there received their education and generally their early training in good citizenship and exemplary conduct. The homes of both were on farms in Shelby County and their schooling was obtained in the somewhat deficient rural houses where the best teachers were seldom found and the best courses and surroundings lacking. But both came forth for life's duties well prepared for that deficiency. The father soon after attaining early manhood learned the shoemaker's trade at Frysburg, Auglaize County, and when competent opened his shop in that town and began working at his trade, and continued at the same for about twenty years. His income, while not enormous, was sufficient to meet the demands of his family, with enough left over to lay up sufficient for emergencies and a comfortable home.

At the end of about twenty years he moved to Gutman, Auglaize County, and began the manufacture of a superior grade of drain tile for the farmers, and continued that occupation with fair success and profit for a period of twelve years. During that time his supplies came from the clay piles near his shop, and the tile which he produced had a large sale over a wide section of the state. Hundreds of wet land tracts now owe their fertility and tillable qualities to tile which he turned out. At the end of the twelve years he again changed his location, this time moving to Ottawa, Ohio, in 1907. Here he and his wife resided until her death, and became well known and universally respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. They were earnest members of the Catholic Church, and occupied various positions of importance in that foremost organization. In politics he is a democrat, and is always interested during every campaign in the success of his party.

He and his wife were married at Sidney, Ohio, where they became acquainted and finally engaged, and they became the parents of five children, of whom four sons are living in 1924. Their son, Augustus H., the subject of this narrative, was reared at Frysburg in Auglaize County, Ohio, and in youth received the usual education in the public schools. In his early days he engaged in the tile business with his father in that county, and is thus associated at the present time. The capacity of his tile factory is about one hundred tons per day, and his supplies are

obtained from a tract of forty acres of which he is the owner. He manufactures his own tile products and finds a ready market over a wide section of the country. The merit of his products is not questioned, as they compare with any others in the state for strength and endurance. In early manhood he married Miss Debbie Thrush, of Auglaize County. They are members of the Catholic Church, and are actively associated with its local movements and masses. He is a democrat, but is not an active nor ambitious partisan, though he feels better when his party wins at the polls. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is the owner of the tile plant at Ottawa, and with his brothers owns the large tile plant at Mansfield, Ohio.

Judge Stephen A. Armstrong, of Lima, former judge of the Court of Common Pleas, has recently rounded out a half century of continuous membership at the Ohio bar. This long period of years has been accompanied by many services not only in the interest of his clients, but for the public at large.

Judge Armstrong was born in Mercer County, Ohio, December 18, 1848, son of William and Martha (Livingston) Armstrong. He is of Scotch-Irish ancestry. William and Martha Armstrong came to America in 1832, locating for a time in Philadelphia, then in Canada, and in 1847 the family moved to Mercer County, Ohio. He was a blacksmith and farmer, and died March 20, 1850. His wife survived him until December 13, 1857.

The last survivor of the seven children, Stephen A. Armstrong attended public schools at Celina, Ohio. He was only nine years of age when his mother died. He learned printing, and served that trade under a contract made by his guardian, according to the terms of which he was to receive $40 for his services the first year, $60 for the second year and $120 for the third year. When he was seventeen years of age Judge Armstrong began teaching, and taught a number of terms in district schools in Mercer County, and finally was elected superintendent of schools at Celina.

In 1871 he entered the University of Michigan, where he pursued both the law course and the course in engineering. Just recently Judge Armstrong attended the fiftieth reunion of the members of the class of 1873. Of the 127 graduates only thirty-seven are now living. This class included a number of men who have reached prominent positions in affairs. Judge Armstrong graduated May 1, 1873, was admitted to the Michigan bar, and in the same year to the Ohio bar, and then located at Celina, where for twenty-five years he successfully carried on a general practice as an attorney. He was elected and served two terms as prosecuting attorney of Mercer County, from January, 1876, to 1880. After leaving that office he resumed his private practice, and he continued his work at Celina until 1899.

In 1898 he was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court in the First Division of the Third Judicial District of Ohio, his subdivision comprising Allen, Auglaize, Mercer, Shelby and Van Wert counties. Judge Armstrong was on the bench two terms, until January 9, 1909. Since leaving the bench he has conducted a general law practice at Lima. In the course of his legal career he has been employed as counsel for many large corporations, but now specializes in a general practice, and is one of the instructors in the law department of Northern Ohio University at Ada.

During his residence in Celina he held several offices, having been president of the Board of Education and president of the Mercer County Teachers' Institute. He has been a loyal disciple of the democratic party all his life, and has rendered many services to the party, for a time being chairman of the democratic committee of Mercer County.

On December 28, 1870, Judge Armstrong married Miss Alice Jane Shipley, daughter of Samuel Shipley, of Celina. She was educated in the public schools of Celina and at St. Marys. Seven children were born to Judge and Mrs. Armstrong, William, Russell, Edward, Samuel F., Stephen A., Alice May and John Richard. Of these, two are now deceased, William and Edward. The sons Russell and John are engaged in the real estate business in New York City. Stephen A., formerly a reviewer in the war risk insurance department, is still a resident of Washington, D. C. The other son, Samuel Floyd, is a locomotive engineer, and for some years has been in the oil industry, now in Ohio.

Alice May Armstrong, the only daughter of Judge Armstrong, is a very talented musician. She has given concerts throughout the country. Her soprano voice has elicited praise from many discriminating critics. During the war she sang for the returned soldiers in the government hospitals in the camps, and the government awarded her an honorary certificate for such work. She has studied under some of the best teachers in the country, and is now doing concert work in Chicago.

Charles John Gruenbaum is one of the outstanding leaders in commercial school education in Northwestern Ohio, being president of the Lima Business College.

He was born in Union County, Ohio, April 10, 1879, son of John Gruenbaum, and grandson of John Gruenbaum. The Gruenbaum family came from Germany and located at Lockburn, southeast of Columbus, in pioneer times. His father, John Gruenbaum, has spent his active career as a farmer, and is now living near Marysville, being a strong democrat and an active member of the Lutheran Evangelical Church. He has served as township trustee, has been influential in promoting good schools in his community, and has filled other minor positions. In the family were seven children, six now living, five sons and one daughter.

Next to the oldest in this family, Charles John Gruenbaum had a farm training and environment as a boy, and up to his thirteenth year attended the Lutheran parochial and public schools. At the age of fifteen he entered the Darby Public High School, graduating three years later. Mr. Gruenbaum had five years of practical experience as a teacher in country schools in Union County. Following that he spent two years in Valparaiso University in Indiana, completing the commercial course, and filled a position as bookkeeper and in general accounting for sometime before he took commercial college work.

Mr. Gruenbaum has been a resident of Lima since 1904. For seven years he was an instructor in the Lima Business College. This college was incorporated in 1895, with Mr. H. W. Pears as president, and Mr. I. F. Clem, secretary. Mr. Gruenbaum finally bought the interests of Mr. Clem, and became secretary and treasurer, Mr. Pears remaining as president. In 1914 the college was reorganized, the capital being increased from $5,000 to $50,000, and the new management built a new modern fireproof block for the school, this building having been completed January 1, 1915.

The death of Mr. Pears, president of the school, occurred December 17, 1917, and in the following January the directors chose Mr. Gruenbaum as president and general manager. He has very successfully directed the destinies of this splendid business college for the past six years, and has given it a very high rating among institutions of the kind. It is a

member of the National Association of Accredited Commercial Schools.

Mr. Gruenbaum is a member of the Kiwanis Club, is a democrat, and is prominent in the Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church of Lima, having served as secretary and treasurer of the church for a number of years and is now superintendent of the Sunday school.

GEORGE BRUNTON KNAPP, a veteran of the World war, represents a very old and influential family of Marion County, and is himself actively engaged in the real estate business in the City of Marion.

He was born at Marion, May 4, 1880. His great-grandfather, William Knapp, who was born at Warsaw, New York, in 1752 and died in 1800, was a private in the New York militia and a minute man during the Saratoga campaign in the Revolutionary war. The grandfather of Mr. Knapp was John R. Knapp, who was born in New York State in 1787, was a soldier in the War of 1812, and an early settler at Marion. He served as mayor of the town in 1851, and in 1853 was appointed postmaster. His name is identified with the old Marion Mirror as its editor. He died in 1864.

James Andrew Knapp, father of George B., was born at Marion, January 20, 1853, and for a number of years was in the insurance business. The past twenty years he has devoted entirely to the affairs of Masonry, being secretary of Marion Lodge, Marion Chapter, Marion Council, and Marion Commandery, Knights Templar, at Marion, a member of the Scottish Rite Consistory, and was elected to the thirty-third degree in 1924. He is a republican and a Methodist. James A. Knapp married Rose Tavenner, who was born in Virginia, March 12, 1853, and died September 9, 1903.

George Brunton Knapp after graduating from the Marion High School in 1898, became a reporter for the Marion Tribune. From 1901 to 1908 he was publisher of the Marion Republican, a weekly republican paper. In 1908 and 1910 he was chairman of the Republican County Central Committee, and from 1908 to 1912 was president of the Monarch Republican Company, printers, binders and dealers in office supplies. In 1912 he left Marion and became general manager of the Hopley Printing Company at Bucyrus, Ohio, publishers of the Bucyrus Evening Telegraph and the Bucyrus Journal. Mr. Knapp returned to Marion in 1916, and with his brother Frank M. established the firm of J. A. Knapp & Sons, general insurance and real estate.

He left this business soon after America declared war against Germany, and on May 12, 1917, entered the First Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. He was commissioned a captain of infantry, and on August 31, 1917, was assigned as commanding officer of Company A of the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Infantry, Eighty-third Division, later serving as battalion commander and regimental commander. On December 31, 1917, he was promoted to major. During that time he was with his regiment at Camp Sherman, Ohio, but on May 29, 1918, was ordered for overseas service. From June 12 to June 24 he was on board the U. S. S. Plattsburg, as commanding officer of the troops. He served with the Eighty-third Division in France from June, 1918, until January, 1919, returning to the United States on board the U. S. S. Frederick, and on February 4 returned to Camp Sherman, where he served as regimental commander of the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Infantry until the final discharge of the regiment on March 31, 1919.

After the war Major Knapp engaged in the real estate business individually, and in addition is secretary of the Vernon Heights Realty Company, which was organized in 1920 and has promoted and marketed Vernon Heights, the finest residential section of Marion. Major Knapp was the second president of the Marion Real Estate Board, is a member of the Board of Governors of the Ohio Realtors, and a member of the National Real Estate Board.

He belongs to Bird McGinnis Post No. 162 of the American Legion, is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, a republican, a Presbyterian, a member of the Marion Country Club and Marion Club, and in Masonry is affiliated with the Lodge, Chapter, Council and Knights Templar Commandery and the Scottish Rite Consistory.

He married Miss Edna DeWolfe, of Marion, daughter of the late Simon DeWolfe, who for over fifty years was in the grain and elevator business, operating the Marion Elevator from 1854 to 1904. Major and Mrs. Knapp have one daughter, Virginia, and reside at 512 Vernon Heights Boulevard.

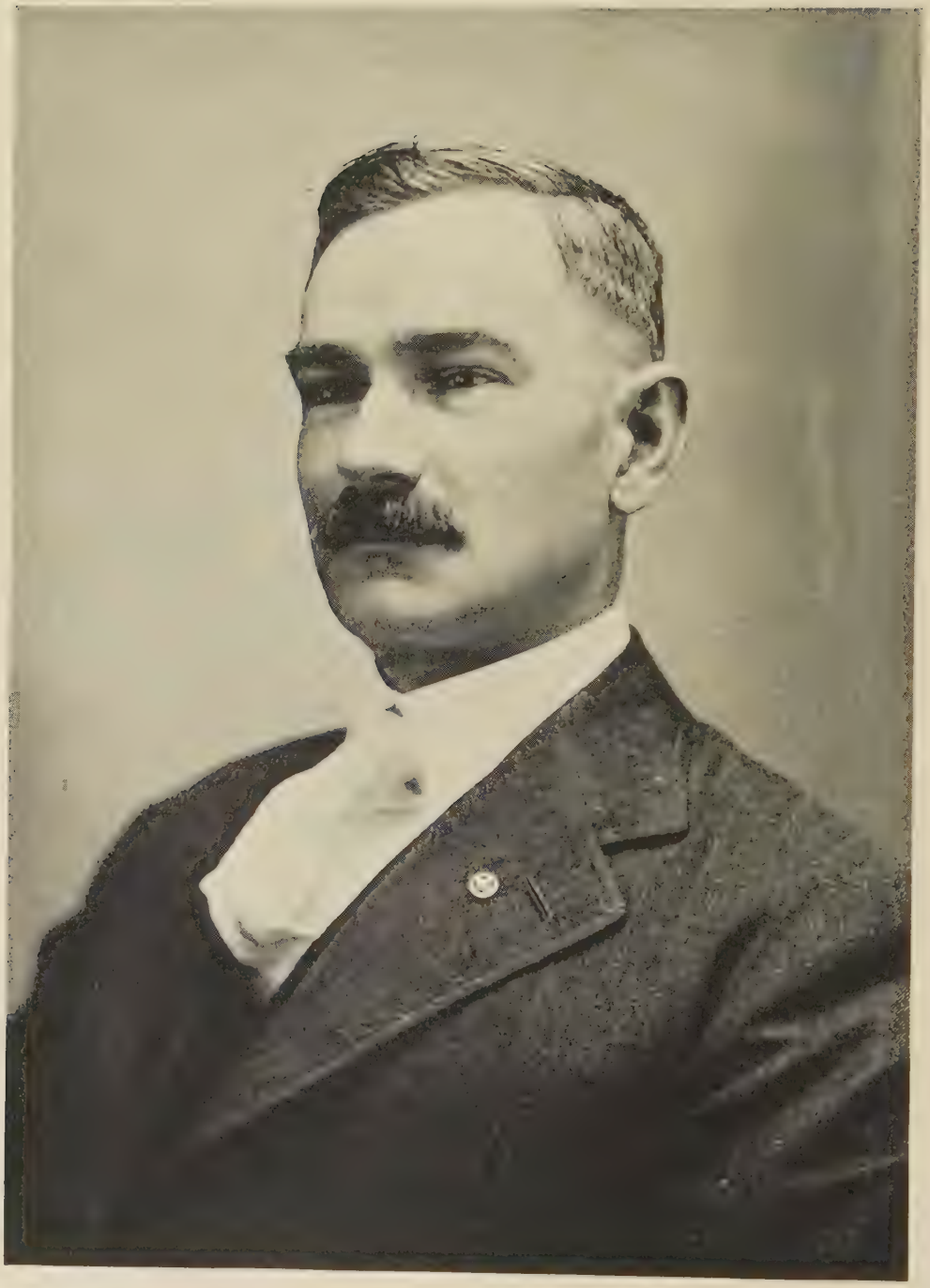
MICHAEL WADDELL. The business distinction by which Michael Waddell is best known in his home City of Marion has been his long official service with the Home Building Savings & Loan Company, of which he is president. His name has been prominently associated with a number of organizations that promote the social welfare of the community, and not least he is one of Ohio's foremost Masons, one of the few to obtain the supreme honorary thirty-third degree.

Mr. Waddell was born in Richland Township, Marion County, May 2, 1853, son of Samuel and Catherine (Jacoby) Waddell. Both parents represented pioneer names in Marion County. The Jacobys were of Holland Dutch ancestry. Five brothers of the name served in the war for independence, and in 1819 the family came to Ohio from Pennsylvania and in 1824 made settlement in Richland Township of Marion County. The maternal grandfather of Michael Waddell was Michael Jacoby. The paternal grandfather, John Waddell, was born near the Ohio River, in Wheeling, West Virginia, and in March, 1821, arrived in Marion County, settled on Government land in Richland Township, and devoted the rest of his active years to clearing a farm out of the woods. Samuel Waddell was born in 1827 and died in 1909, and his wife was born in 1835 and died in 1882. He was a well to do farmer, served as county commissioner, was a democrat, and an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Michael Waddell was one of a family of eleven children by his father's first marriage, had a farm training, attended a country school, taught school for a time, and for several years represented the Ohio Farmers' Insurance Company in Marion and Wyandot counties. In 1894 he was elected clerk of courts, and served two terms in that office, until 1900.

In 1900 Mr. Waddell became secretary of the Home Building Savings & Loan Company, which had been organized in 1898. He was secretary and administrative official of the association for twenty-four years, and was elected as president January 1, 1924. In no small degree his personal integrity has come to permeate the entire spirit of this, one of Ohio's most successful building and loan companies. Mr. Waddell is also a director of the Marion County Bank.

He served two years on the Carnegie Library Board, three years on the School Board, and has been president of the Marion County Children's Home, and became one of the trustees upon the organization of that institution. His uncle, Benjamin Waddell, gave to Marion the Waddell Ladies' Home, and Michael Waddell has been secretary of that institution since it was established. He has for many years been a



N. C. McDougal

loyal member of the Methodist Church and the Knights of Pythias.

His chief hobby and study has been Masonry, and his Masonic record should properly be stated in some detail. He is honorary member of Sojourner's Lodge No. 653, Free and Accepted Masons, which, as acting grand master, he instituted December 1, 1920. In Marion Lodge No. 70, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master, he was E. A., March 22, 1889; F. C., April 26, 1889; M. M., May 24, 1889. Of Marion Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is a past high priest, he was M. M., January 21, 1890; P. M., January 28, 1890; M. G. M., February 4, 1890; and R. A., February 11, 1890. He is a past thrice illustrious master of Marion Council No. 22, Royal and Select Masters, in which he took the Royal Masters degree, September 23, 1890, and Select Masters degree, February 2, 1891. He is a past eminent commander of Marion Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar, and was made a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus April 9, 1897. He took the Scottish Rites degrees in Scioto Consistory at Columbus April 17, 1914, and on September 16, 1919, at Philadelphia, received the Supreme Honorary (thirty-third) degree in the Scottish Rites, Northern Jurisdiction, and is a thirty-third degree honorary inspector general. He also belongs to Kadgar Grotto and the Eastern Star, and for the past six years has been treasurer of the Marion Masonic Temple Company. Mr. Waddell gave fully of his time and means to promote all war causes, and had a son with the colors.

He married in 1879 Miss Mary Rupp, a native of Marion County, daughter of George W. Rupp. She died in 1886, leaving two children: George Earl, formerly a grocery merchant, and well known citizen of Marion, who is a past eminent commander of Marion Commandery of the Knights Templar; and Bessie, wife of Dr. C. H. Weisman, of Spokane, Washington. Mr. Waddell in 1887 married Nettie Redd, daughter of P. O. Redd, a Marion County farmer. Three children were born to this marriage. Roy E., the only son, secretary of the Home Building Savings & Loan Association, was with the first American Division of the Expeditionary Forces of the World war, and is a past eminent commander of Marion Knights Templar. The daughter, Helen Grigsby, lives at Marion, and the other daughter, Donna L. Harris, is a resident of Detroit.

Alvah Covert McDougal as a boy was ambitious to become an attorney, but had to depend entirely upon his own efforts and earnings to qualify for the legal profession, and those early years of struggle strongly impressed him with courage and self-reliance that have been characteristic of his career as a member of the Monroe County bar.

Mr. McDougal was born in Sunsbury Township of Monroe County, February 18, 1873, son of William and Harriet Matilda (Mallory) McDougal. His grandfather came from Dalkeith, Scotland, and settled in Sunsbury Township, October 1, 1838, and is still blacksmith and farmer. William McDougal was born in Sunsbury Township, October 1, 1838, and is still living on the old homestead that was his birthplace. He is a stonemason and farmer, served over twenty years as justice of the peace, was one of the organizers of the East Sunsbury Baptist Church, and is a democrat. His wife, Harriet Matilda Mallory, was born at Powhatan Point in Belmont County, Ohio, and is now deceased.

Fourth in a family of eight children, Alvah Covert McDougal was reared on a farm, making the most of his advantages in the local schools, and by teaching several terms obtained the money for his higher education. He worked his way throught old Scio College, since merged with Mount Union College, and he continued teaching while studying law under F. A. Jeffers of Woodsfield. After being admitted to the bar he engaged in general practice at Woodsfield, and has handled a large amount of professional work. He is best known in a public way through his service as prosecuting attorney of Monroe County. He held that office from 1914 to 1918, including the World war period, and in 1922 was again chosen prosecuting attorney. Both times he has been in the office he has shown unusual ability in getting results from a campaign of law enforcement. He is a member of the Democratic Central Committee of Monroe County, is on the Official Board of the Methodist Church and teacher of the Goddard Bible Class. He is affiliated with Woodsfield Lodge No. 189 of the Masonic Order, has filled all the chairs in Woodsfield Lodge No. 377, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is past patriarch and present scribe of Woodsfield Encampment No. 168 of Odd Fellowship, and a member of Monroe Lodge No. 645 of the Rebekahs. Mr. McDougal is a great lover of outdoor life, his hobby being practical botany and flower culture.

On February 24, 1906, at Beallsville, Ohio, he married Miss Edna Frances Bolon, of Beallsville. He is active in church and fraternal work. They have eight children: Frances Edna, wife of Emmett Barnes, of Woodsfield; Mildred May, Laura Edna, William Henry, Charles Wilson, Mary Virginia and Martha Lee, twins, and George Alvah.

Hon. Grant Earl Mouser, Sr. Marion has a number of distinguished men whom it seeks to honor, realizing that one who has achieved excellent results in one office is certain to render an equally efficient service in another. One of these native sons of the Buckeye State, now one of the highly esteemed residents of Marion, is Judge Grant Earl Mouser, Sr., judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and former United States Congressman. He was born at La Rue, Ohio, September 11, 1869, a son of Dr. Justus A. Mouser, and grandson of Isaac Mouser, who came from Virginia to Ohio at a very early day, and in early years was a surveyor. Later he became a farmer and large land owner. With the organization of the republican party he espoused its principles. The Methodist Episcopal Church had in him a zealous member, and he was one of the first of that denomination in Marion County. Dr. Justus A. Mouser was born on a farm in Marion County that is now included in the City of Marion, December 13, 1835. He married Sarah De Long, who was born in Hardin County, Ohio. Her family came to Ohio in 1810, first settling at Marietta, but in 1832 moved to Hardin County.

Doctor Mouser received his preliminary education at La Rue, and in order to earn the money to further pursue his studies, taught school. In 1862 he was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University, and in 1865 was graduated in medicine from the Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati. During the war between the North and the South he served as regimental surgeon. Upon his return to civil life, after receiving his honorable discharge, he entered upon the practice of his profession at La Rue, where he remained until his death in 1903.

Growing up at La Rue, Judge Mouser attended its public schools and the Ohio Northern University. Like his father, he entered the educational field for a brief period, and then took up the study of law at the Cincinnati Law School, from which he was graduated in 1891, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. For the succeeding three years thereafter he was associated with Judge Boston G. Young, and then for five years had as his partner, Harry Q. Quigley. From 1893 to 1896 Judge Mouser was prosecuting attorney

for Marion County. Becoming active in politics, he was elected in 1904 to the National Assembly, and was returned to that body in 1906 from the Thirteenth Ohio District, and served in the Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth Congress. In 1908 Judge Mouser formed a partnership with W. P. Moloney, and this association was maintained until 1916, when he was appointed by Governor Frank B. Willis, judge of the Court of Common Pleas, when the firm was dissolved. Judge Mouser was elected and reelected to this exalted office, and his present term will expire in 1929. Since 1919 he has been president of the Marion County Bar Association. Fraternally he belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias. During the late war he was chairman of the Marion County Chapter, American Red Cross. Both the Marion Club and the Marion Chamber of Commerce hold his membership. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is one of its pillars at Marion. His hobby is reading, and he is the owner of one of the finest libraries in Ohio. He is a republican.

On March 30, 1894, Judge Mouser married Della E. Ridgeway, who was born on a farm near La Rue, Ohio, a daughter of Basil R. Ridgeway, now deceased, who was born at Marion. During the War of the '60s he served in the One Hundred and Twenty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry for four years and two months. Following his return to private life he turned his attention to agriculture, and became one of the prominent farmers of Marion County, and specialized in raising fine cattle. Judge and Mrs. Mouser have three children: Helen, who married James Young, of Cleveland, Ohio; Annabelle, who married Herman Collins, of Lorain, Ohio; and Grant Earl, Jr. Judge Mouser is not only a shrewd lawyer and able jurist, he is also a practical man of affairs, skillful, far-seeing and reformatory. He is an originator of actualities as well as an originator of good and new movements. While a member of Congress he distinguished himself as an advocate of much needed laws and reforms. On the bench he has proven himself a jurist fair in his opinions, courteous in his manner, and one whose improvements in procedure greatly facilitate the dispatch of the business of his court.

Grant Earl Mouser, Jr., city solicitor of Marion, and one of the able young attorneys of Marion County, is fortunate in the choice of his profession, for its employments are congenial to him, he follows them with unflagging interest and zeal, and inherits his talents in this calling from his distinguished father, Hon. Grant Earl Mouser, Sr., judge of the Court of Common Pleas, ex-congressman, and one of the most prominent men of Marion.

Born at Marion, Grant Earl Mouser, Jr., came into the world February 20, 1895, and was reared by watchful parents. He first attended the public schools, and later, during 1913 and 1914, the Ohio Wesleyan University. Deciding to follow in his father's footsteps, he took his legal training at the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1917, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

In the meanwhile this country had entered the World war, and Mr. Mouser offered his services to the Government and was sent to Army School, Washington, District of Columbia, as part of the Ambulance Unit of the Western Reserve College. He was graduated in bacteriology and chemistry, and commissioned a second lieutenant of the Sanitary Corps, and September 16, 1918, was sent to Plattsburg Barracks, New York, as post adjutant and judge advocate. There he remained until he was honorably discharged in September, 1919. He is a past commander of Bird McGinnis Post No. 162, American Legion, and has served on the Legislative Committee of the American Legion, Department of Ohio.

Upon his return to private life Mr. Mouser entered upon the practice of his profession at Marion, first being a member of the firm Justice, Young & Mouser, but since 1924 his firm has been Justice & Mouser. He is a republican, and November 7, 1923, was elected city solicitor of Marion. In 1924 he served as president of the Marion County Republican Club, and is admitted to be one of the leaders in local party affairs. He belongs to the Lodge and Grotto of the Masonic fraternity, to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, Phi Gamma Delta, and Phi Delta Phi. The Marion Country Club, the Marion Club and the Marion Kiwanis Club hold his membership, and he was the first secretary of the last named. Reared in the faith of the Presbyterian Church, he early united with it.

On November 7, 1918, Mr. Mouser married, at Marion, Miss Hilda Gorham, a daughter of S. K. Gorham, a retired merchant of Marion. Mr. and Mrs. Mouser have two children: Gwendolen and Grant Earl III. Belonging as he does to one of the old and prominent families of Marion County, Mr. Mouser is well known in this locality, and during the brief period he has been practicing at the bar of his native city he has proven his right to be considered, either as a lawyer or man, as one who is straightforward, fairminded and forceful.

Louis Edmund Myers, one of the able attorneys practicing at the bar of Marion, and a former senator of Ohio, is one of the most representative sons of Ohio, and a man whose professional and personal reputation is not confined to local boundaries, for he is known all over this and adjoining states. He was born at La Rue, Marion County, Ohio, October 9, 1874, a son of William J. and Emma (Topliff) Myers.

Through his mother Louis Edmund Myers is connected with two of the oldest families of Massachusetts, the Topliffs and Bents. The genealogy of the Topliff family is as follows: Clement Topliff, the American progenitor, was born November 17, 1603, and in 1635 came with his wife, Sarah, to Dorchester, Massachusetts. They had five children. He died December 24, 1672, and she survived him until July 29, 1693. Samuel Topliff, son of Clement and Sarah Topliff, was born May 7, 1646, and died October 10, 1722, having had nine children born to him. One of the nine children, also Samuel Topliff, was born May 30, 1695, and died November 1, 1754. He had ten children born of his marriage. Calvin Topliff, one of the ten children of the second Samuel, was born August 24, 1729, died December 23, 1809, having had sixteen children. Horatio Topliff, son of Calvin, was born August 31, 1785, and died April 16, 1851, having had twelve children. Louis Topliff, son of Horatio, was born at Dorchester, Massachusetts, August 12, 1807, and died February 20, 1867, at La Rue, Ohio. He married Dorcas Bent. Emma, daughter of Louis and Dorcas (Bent) Topliff, and mother of Louis E. Myers, of this review, was born November 16, 1856, and married William J. Myers on October 1, 1873.

In the eighth generation from the American founder of the Topliff family is Louis E. Myers, son of Emma (Topliff) Myers. The American founder of the Bent family was John Bent, born at Penton-Crofton, England, in 1596, married in 1624, and with his wife, Martha, sailed in the ship Confidence out of Southampton, England, in 1638, to Sudbury, Massachusetts. There he died September 27, 1672. She survived him until May 15, 1679. Peter Bent, son of John and Martha Bent, was born at Penton-Crofton, England, in April, 1629, and died May 1, 1678. The

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records show that in 1656 he was a petitioner for the laying out of Marlboro, Massachusetts. Hopestill Bent, son of Peter Bent, was born at Marlboro, Massachusetts, January 17, 1672. He later moved to Sudbury, Massachusetts, and died at Wayland, Massachusetts, August 18, 1725. In 1690 he served in King William's war. He married Elizabeth, a daughter of Maj. Thomas Brown, November 27, 1700. She was born at Sudbury, Massachusetts, March 17, 1678. They kept the Bent Tavern. Elijah Bent, son of Hopestill, was born at Sudbury, Massachusetts, August 15, 1713. He kept the Pequot Inn. He married Susanna Stone, who was born April 20, 1720, and died July 3, 1801. Silas Bent, son of Elijah, was born at Sudbury, Massachusetts, April 14, 1744, died at Belpre, Ohio, April 4, 1818. From April, 1760, to December of that year he served in Capt. Ephraim Jackson's Company, in Canada in the French and Indian war, and at Lexington Alarm, 1775. He marched to Cambridge, Massachusetts, as a private in Capt. Thomas Justis' Company, Fourth Massachusetts Line, and was an ensign in Capt. Adam Wheeler's Company. On January 1, 1776, he was made a first lieutenant in the Fourth Continental Line; in 1781 was made lieutenant-colonel of the Seventh Massachusetts Continental Militia, which rank he held until 1789. He started in an ox cart to Ohio, and located at Marietta. His wife, May Carter, was born at Sudbury, Massachusetts, March 22, 1747, and died June 10, 1831. Abner Bent, son of Silas and May (Carter) Bent, was born at Rutland, Massachusetts, September 22, 1780, and died in Marion County, Ohio, July 12, 1834. Dorcas Bent, daughter of Abner Bent, was born December 9, 1820, died at La Rue, Ohio, in 1908. She married Louis Topliff. Emma Topliff, daughter of Dorcas Bent and Louis Topliff, was born November 16, 1856. She married William J. Myers. Louis E. Myers, son of Emma Topliff and William J. Myers, was born October 9, 1874, in the ninth generation from John Bent, the American progenitor of the Bent family. Louis E. Myers attended the La Rue High School, and, after reading law, was admitted to the bar when he reached his majority. In 1895 he took his degree of Bachelor of Laws from the Cincinnati Law School. He began his practice at Marion, Ohio, where he has since remained, building up a wide connection as a trial lawyer in criminal cases. His powers of oratory are well known and generally recognized, and he possesses the ability to so present his arguments to the jury as to usually secure a verdict for his client. Always active in politics, he served, before he was twenty-one years old, on the Marion County Central Committee, and has been on this body continuously since 1895. For three terms he was on the Board of Elections for Marion, and was a member of the Upper House of the State Legislature during the Eighty-first Assembly. Mr. Myers has large land and city realty interests, including his handsome residence at 832 East Center Street. Through his Revolutionary ancestors he belongs to the Sons of the American Revolution. For some time he has been local attorney for the American Federation of Labor. During the World war Mr. Myers was very active in all local war work, prior to being called into the army, and was attorney for the Civilian Relief Commission Allotments-Allowances, and was on the Legal Advisory Board. In August, 1918, he was sent to Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois. On November 7, 1918, he received orders to proceed to Camp Knox, Central Officers' Training Camp, but the signing of the armistice cancelled these orders.

On June 15, 1905, Mr. Myers married Mrs. Ethel Burnett. Her mother, Mrs. Missouri Clark McAdams, died July 29, 1924. She was a member of the prominent McAdams family of Ohio. Mrs. McAdams was born in 1843, and had been a life-long member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and in 1873 was a crusader in the cause of temperance. Mr. and Mrs. Myers have no children.

GEORGE B. MCCLELLAN SCOFIELD. The name Scofield has been distinguished at the bar of Marion County for more than half a century. The first to lend distinction to the name in this profession and as a public man of the county was Capt. William E. Scofield. One of his sons was the late Judge W. E. Scofield, and another son is George B. McClellan Scofield, who since 1888 has practiced law at Marion and is also a banker and business man.

Capt. William Scofield was born in Waldo Township, Marion County, was educated in Ohio Wesleyan University, was admitted by the Supreme Court and practiced law until his death in 1883. He served as captain of Company A of the Eighty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and became a member of Gen. George B. McClellan's staff, naming his second son in honor of that Civil war leader. Captain Scofield was himself a leader in democratic politics, and was a member of the Ohio State Constitutional Convention in 1872. He was a Presbyterian. His older son, Judge W. E. Scofield, was highly honored both on the bench and as a practicing attorney, and died in 1916.

George B. McClellan Scofield was born in Marion, July 13, 1862, was educated in the Marion High School and read law with his brother W. E. Scofield until admitted to the bar in 1888. He practiced for a time as member of the firm Scofield & Scofield, the firm's title being then Scofield, Durfee & Scofield until 1916, then Scofield, Durfee & Hardin, until 1924, and at present is Scofield & Hardin. The firm does a general law practice.

Mr. Scofield was for several years president of the Marion Water Company, is a director of the Fahey Banking Company, and is president of the Marion County Law Library Association. He was a member of the Ohio Legislature in 1889-90, and has been active in democratic politics all his life. During the World war he was chairman of the County Draft Board. Mr. Scofield is a member of the Marion Country Club and the Marion Club. He married, October 26, 1887, Miss Oda Monnette Wright, a native of Crawford County, Ohio. She is an active member of the Presbyterian Church at Marion.

FRANK J. BEASLEY. The substantial business interests of Athens County have no more enterprising figure and factor than Frank Beasley. Mr. Beasley for a number of years has been identified with the milling industry, and is organizer and head of the F. J. Beasley Milling & Grocery Company at Athens. His milling plant is one of the most modern and efficient in Southeastern Ohio.

Mr. Beasley was born near Amesville in Athens County, November 22, 1863, son of William and Melvine (Moore) Beasley. The Beasley family is of old Virginia ancestry. William Beasley died in 1909, at the age of eighty-six, and his wife in 1902, aged seventy-four. William Beasley was a well known business man of Athens County. He was a stock dealer, and in early days was a drover to Baltimore and other eastern markets over the old national road. Later he shipped his livestock by railroad. He was a republican in politics, and his wife was a devout Methodist. They had a family of eleven children, six sons and five daughters. All the sons grew up on the farm, attended the public schools of Amesville, and have filled various positions in the world of affairs.

Frank J. Beasley and his brother, D. M. Beasley, now retired at Athens, were for many years actively associated in business. They started as farmers and

subsequently bought a small grist mill at Amesville. This plant they enlarged and successfully conducted for many years. Frank J. Beasley remained at Amesville until 1917, when he moved to Athens and built the modern mill, which has a two hundred barrel capacity. He also established the wholesale grocery business, and his enterprise has done much to make Athens a supply center for a large surrounding territory. He is also a director of the J. H. Grayson Company, stove manufacturers.

Mr. Beasley is a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Masonic Order and the Country Club. In 1886 he married Miss Jane Johnson, daughter of A. B. Johnson, of Morgan County, Ohio. To their marriage were born eight children: Bessie B. is the wife of A. L. Elliott, grain dealer, of Toledo, Ohio; Fred R. is a live business man of Athens County, a representative of the Ford Motor Company at Athens, Nelsonville and other places; Edna Marie is the wife of Rev. C. L. Strecker, a Methodist minister at Cincinnati; Carl H. is actively associated with his father in business; Edith is the wife of J. C. Briggs, of Columbus, salesman for the J. H. Grayson Stove Factory; Letha married R. C. Hess, of Athens, Ohio, manager of the shipping department of the F. J. Beasley Milling & Grocery Company; Otha Claris married R. H. Galigher, of Athens, Ohio, credit manager of the F. J. Beasley Company; and Norris is at home.

John Wilbur Jacoby has been a member of the Marion bar since 1897, and is an attorney with many commercial and civic interests to identify him as one of the prominent men of his community.

He is a native of Marion County, born December 23, 1871. He was reared in the country, attended rural schools, and from boyhood his ambition was directed steadily to a career as a lawyer. He spent five years in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, graduating with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1895, and in 1898 his Alma Mater bestowed upon him the Master of Arts degree. In the meantime, in 1897, he had taken the Bachelor of Laws degree from Cincinnati Law School, was admitted to the bar, and from 1897 to 1902 engaged in an individual practice at Marion. From 1902 to 1911 he was in partnership with Hoke W. Donithen in the firm of Jacoby & Donithen, and since 1911 has again been alone in practice. Much of his work as a lawyer has been done in connection with commercial organizations, and he has himself acquired a number of business interests. He is president of the Marion Development Company, president of the Economy Lumber Company, vice president of the Marion Savings Bank, vice president and attorney of the Citizens' Building & Loan Association, and is secretary of the New Hotel Company, which built the Harding Hotel, one of the finest hotels in the state. He also has some extensive farming interests.

Mr. Jacoby's hoppy has been the study and writing of history, and he is author of a history of Marion County and was an associate editor of the history of Northwest Ohio. He has a fine private library. Mr. Jacoby served from 1900 to 1904 as city solicitor of Marion. He was a member of the Board of Education from 1908 to 1912, is a member of the Marion and Ohio State Bar associations, is independent in politics, but has given much attention to civic affairs. From 1916 to 1922 he was chairman of the Marion Red Cross Chapter, and in 1922 was chairman of the Marion Centenary Celebration, observing the hundredth anniversary of the founding of Marion. In 1924 he was appointed by the State Tax Commission as a member of the committee to draft a new tax amendment to the state constitution. He is a former director of the Marion Country Club, a member of the Marion Club, belongs to the Odevene Country Club of Delaware, is one of the Board of Governors of the Ohio Realtors' Association, and is president of the Ohio Wesleyan Alumni Association, which is an international association. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church and a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Mr. Jacoby married, August 8, 1900, at Covington, Kentucky, Miss Edna Bird. Their two sons are Wilbur Bird, a junior, and Robert Bird Jacoby, a freshman, at Ohio Wesleyan University. Mr. Jacoby is a descendant of John and Catherine Jacoby, who established a home in Marion County a century ago. They were born in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, and both were descendants of Holland Dutch. The John Jacoby family came to Ohio in 1819, first settling in Fairfield County, and in 1824 moved to Richland Township in Marion County. Their son, Michael Jacoby, grandfather of J. Wilbur, was born in Pine Grove Township, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, March 30, 1809, and was about ten years of age when his parents came to Ohio. J. Wilbur Jacoby is a son of Michael and Catherine (Emery) Jacoby, both natives of Richland Township, Marion County, where the father was born May 24, 1843.

James Hepburn Eymon, while a practicing attorney at Marion for over twenty years, had an ambition when a boy to become a mechanic, and his career has been largely molded by his propensity for mechanics. He is inventor of a device largely used by railroads and manufactured in one of the large industrial plants at the City of Marion.

Mr. Eymon was born on a farm near Circleville, in Pickaway County, Ohio, December 19, 1872, son of Samuel and Catherine Ann (Hepburn) Eymon. His father was born near Washington Court House, Ohio, and his mother, at Circleville, and both of them died when about seventy-four years of age, having spent their active lives on a farm.

James Hepburn Eymon was reared on the home farm, attended country schools, the high school at Williamsport, and was usually occupied when not in school or engaged in other labor with some mechanical experiments and studies. For seven years he taught country and village schools, and studied law at the University of Michigan, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1903, and was admitted to the bar the same year. Since that year he has been engaged in a general law practice at Marion. He is district attorney for the Pennsylvania Railway Company.

His most important result of mechanical experiments was the Eymon patent interlocking railroad crossing, which he invented and which is now used by the Pennsylvania, Hocking Valley, Baltimore & Ohio, Big Four & Toledo & Ohio Central railroads. It is manufactured by the Eymon Crossing Company of Marion, of which he is a director.

Mr. Eymon was one of the organizers and since the organization has been attorney for the Marion Humane Society. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, is a past master of Marion Lodge No. 70, Free and Accepted Masons; a member of Marion Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons; Marion Council No. 22, Royal and Select Masters; Marion Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar; Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rites; and is a past worthy patron of the Marion Chapter of the Eastern Star. He also belongs to the Marion County and Ohio State Bar associations, and is a republican. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Eymon married at Circleville, August 10, 1896, Miss Nina A. Slyh, daughter of the late Jacob and Margaret Slyh, farming people in Pickaway County. Mrs. Eymon is secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion. Three children were born to their marriage. The only son, Harold S., enlisted and served as a mechanic, with the rank of corporal, in the One Hundred and Twelfth Signal Corps, and died while in France. Margery graduated in 1924 from the Teachers' Training College of Ohio State University, and Katherine is attending high school.

FREDERICK WASHINGTON WARNER has been a practicing attorney in the City of Marion for twenty years, has likewise been an influential figure in the republican party, and is a leader in business, fraternal and civic affairs.

He was born in a log cabin on a farm in Union County, Ohio, February 22, 1882, son of Francis Marion and Florence May (Miles) Warner, and is of Scotch-Irish ancestry. His father was born in Union County, in 1853, while his mother was a native of Galesburg, Illinois. Francis M. Warner moved to Marion County in 1884, engaged in business as a dairy and stock farmer, and he died on the home farm near Marion, June 15, 1924. He was formerly very active in republican politics and was a Baptist.

The youngest of four children, Frederick Washington Warner acquired his early education in country schools, attended the high school at Green Camp, Ohio, and subsequently on his own resources acquired his higher education, attending the Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1903, and in 1904 received his law degree. He had previously read law at Marion with two prominent lawyers, Harry N. Quigley and Judge Grant E. Mouser. Mr. Warner was admitted to the bar, December 22, 1904, and has been in active practice at Marion since January 2, 1905. For two years after his admission he was associated with F. L. Carhart, then conducted an individual practice three years, following which he resumed his association with Mr. Carhart, and the firm Carhart & Warner is still in existence, handling a general practice in all courts and acting as attorneys for a number of corporations, including the New York Central Lines, the Toledo & Ohio Central Railway, the American Railway Express, and a number of local corporations. Mr. Warner was admitted to practice in the United States District Court in 1907. He is a director of the Houghton Manufacturing Company.

Since 1905 he has been an influential worker in the republican party, and he served twice as city solicitor of Marion, in 1912-13 and 1914-15. He was county prosecuting attorney in 1921-22 and again elected for the term 1923-24, being the first republican ever twice elected to that office and receiving the largest majorities ever given a candidate in the county. In 1923-24 he was state central committeeman. Mr. Warner gets away from his professional work annually for a fishing excursion in Northern Michigan. While on the trip in 1924 he was elected by the Republican Central Committee to the position of chairman of the Republican State Central and Executive committees. He is a member of the Marion Club, the Marion Country Club, Marion Lodge No. 32, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a past master of Marion Lodge No. 70, Free and Accepted Masons, a member of Marion Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons, is a past thrice illustrious master of Marion Council No. 22, Royal and Select Masters, a member of Marion Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar, and is chief justice of Kadgar Grotto of Masons. In the Knights of Pythias he is a past chancellor and commander of Marion Lodge No. 402, and a member of Marion Company No. 15, Uniformed Rank Knights of Pythias. He belongs to the Order of Druids, to the Chamber of Commerce, the Young Men's Christian Association, the First Methodist Episcopal Church, and during the World war, was a four-minute speaker in all the campaigns.

He married at Chillicothe, Ohio, November 7, 1906, Miss Edith Grace Lockwood, daughter of Dewitt and Angeline Lockwood, the former deceased and the latter living at Marion. Her father was a farmer. Mrs. Warner is active in church, social and club life at Marion. Four children were born to their marriage: Persis Lucille, Robert, John and Frederick Washington, Jr. The son Robert is now deceased.

CHARLES DELNOW HOPKINS is a lawyer by profession, having qualified as an attorney thirty years ago. His practice brought him into connection with some of the large coal companies of Southern Ohio, and in later years he has given practically all his time to his executive duties as president of the Hocking Mining Company, with operations at Carbondale in Athens County, and the Eureka Coal Company, which has four operations at Montgomery, West Virginia. Mr. Hopkins has been more or less actively identified with coal mining for twenty years.

He was born July 28, 1869, at his father's farm, about three miles from Athens, near the present Country Club. His parents were George W. and Rachael (Cline) Hopkins, both natives of Albany, Meigs County, Ohio. After their marriage they moved to Athens County. George W. Hopkins was a Union soldier in the One Hundred Forty-second Ohio Infantry, and for many years was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He was possessed of a quiet disposition, had no interest in politics beyond voting as a republican, and was a member of the Masonic order and a trustee of the Methodist Church. He died August 21, 1914, at the age of seventy-six. The widowed mother, now eighty-one years of age, lives with her daughter in Baltimore, Maryland. Of the four children, Charles D. is the oldest. Glen F. is a merchant at Baltimore, Maryland. George is an automobile dealer at Athens. Wealthy is the wife of John W. Race, of Baltimore.

Charles D. Hopkins spent his early years on his father's farm, attending the district schools, and subsequently entered Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1891. While getting his higher education he taught school in Meigs and Delaware counties, and after graduating he served one year as principal of schools at Delaware. He began the study of law in the office of Judge Freshwater, and in 1892 entered the senior law class of Ohio State University, where he received the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1893. For a brief time he was associated as partner with C. E. Peoples at Pomeroy, but soon returned to Athens, and for two years was associated in partnership with Charles Townsend, former secretary of state. His most diversified experience as an attorney was gained during the eight years he filled the office of city attorney at Athens.

As a corporation lawyer Mr. Hopkins helped organize a number of the big coal companies in Southeastern Ohio, and thus readily found opportunities for executive position in some of these operations.

On October 8, 1895, Mr. Hopkins married Miss Adda Carpenter, daughter of Judge Rufus and Elizabeth (Cornell) Carpenter. She was his classmate in Ohio Wesleyan University. Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins have two children. Rufus, who was educated in Ohio University and Ohio State University and was a lieutenant in training for service during the World war at Camp Grant, is now treasurer of the two coal companies of which his father is president. The daughter, Rachael, is a graduate of Ohio University

at Athens. Mr. Hopkins is affiliated with the Masonic and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Since 1915 he has been chairman of the finance committee of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University. He is chairman of the County Republican Committee, a member of the District Executive Committee, and for a number of years has attended all the republican conventions in his county and district.

THOMAS A. LANKER, chief of police of the City of Lima, is an old and experienced police officer in Ohio, and for a number of years was with the department of Dayton, where he rose from the ranks to second in command of the entire police force.

Chief Lanker was born June 13, 1878, in Wyandot County, Ohio, next to the youngest of nine children, all living. His father, Rev. M. B. Lanker, who died in 1906, was a minister of the United Brethren Church, and well known in his section of Ohio. Thomas A. Lanker attended grammar schools in Auglaize County, and as a youth learned the butcher's trade. About the time he was twenty years of age he enlisted in the Regular Army, in Company L of the Fourteenth United States Infantry, and had a service record of three years and three months. He was in the Spanish-American war, also in the Philippines, and went with the American forces to China during the Boxer rebellion. He participated in the battle of Peking, the fighting leading up to the gates of the Celestial City. He was severely wounded in that engagement. After his wound he was kept in a hospital in China from June to August, was then returned to the hospital relief ship for thirty days, and then transferred to the general hospital at the Presido at San Francisco. After four months there he was granted his honorable discharge, on December 1, 1900.

Soon after leaving the army he returned to Ohio, spent a year at home, and on October 6, 1901, married Miss Bessie C. Nuhfer, daughter of Jacob Nuhfer, of Grand Rapids, Ohio. Mr. Lanker and wife had three sons and three daughters, the oldest son being now a clerk in the locomotive works at Lima, while a daughter is a proofreader in the office of the Lima News. The other children are students in high school.

After his marriage Mr. Lanker spent two years in the grocery and meat business, and then, having passed a successful examination under civil service rules, was appointed a member of the Dayton Fire Department. He was in the service two years, and having in the meantime taken the examination for the police force he resigned from the fire department and was appointed a patrolman in Dayton. He was with the Dayton Police Department for ten years, was promoted to sergeant, then to lieutenant, and was the second highest officer on the force. While in Dayton he took a course in the New York Police School, and is thoroughly acquainted with metropolitan methods of police management. Soon after his return to Dayton he started a training school, and trained three classes of twenty-four men for police work. He also furnished the plant police protection for the airplane manufacturing interests at Dayton, and had a large amount of extraordinary responsibilities during the World war.

After leaving the police department at Dayton Mr. Lanker was financially interested in and on duty at the Overland automobile plant for two years, these duties taking him to Toledo. At the beginning of 1923 he was called from Toledo to become chief of the police department of the City of Lima, beginning his duties on April 1. His appointment was unprecedented in the municipal history of Lima since it was the first time that the city had gone outside in selection of a chief of police. However, only a short time before Lima had gone under a commission form of government, and the city manager had also been brought from the outside. Chief Lanker has accomplished almost a revolution in the Lima Police Department, especially through his effective discipline and leadership in doing away with the old controversies. Since taking charge he has kept the local police in training and working for greater efficiency all the time. He has also installed a comprehensive and practical criminal record under the Bertillon Fingerprint System, and has an organized traffic squad and has divorced the police telephone from the regular telephone system of the city, installing a modern police signal system.

HENRY DENNIS BEACH. The distinctive contribution made by Coshocton to American business and industry has been as a center for the manufacture of advertising novelties. Through printing and kindred trades many substantial business fortunes have been developed in this Ohio city. Of the individuals who have contributed to this business, none has perhaps been more influential than Henry Dennis Beach, founder of three of the principal organizations in the advertising novelty industry today.

He was born at Fredericktown, Ohio, September 9, 1850, son of Daniel C. and Eliza (Amadon) Beach, the former, a native of New York, and the latter, of Vermont. Daniel C. Beach, after coming to Ohio, learned the tailor's trade at Fredericktown, and in 1806 they located at Mount Vernon, where for two years he operated a clothing store and tailor shop, and after 1862 his home was in Coshocton where he built up a prosperous business as a clothing and tailoring merchant.

Henry D. Beach was twelve years of age when the family settled at Coshocton, and has since spent his years, save for a few brief intervals in Coshocton. The success he has achieved in business has been the result of determined energy on his own part, since he began life without special opportunities, having had limited advantages in the public schools. When he was seventeen he became an apprentice at the printing trade. His first newspaper experience as publisher was the founding and conducting of the weekly newspaper known as the Saturday Visitor. This paper suspended after he sold his interests. For a short time he was in the state printing office at Columbus, and then was lessor and publisher of the Eaton Democrat at Eaton, Ohio. Returning to Coshocton he opened a job printing shop and subsequently spent another three years in the state printing office at Columbus. On returning to Coshocton in 1879, Mr. Beach founded the weekly newspaper, the Democratic Standard, and published it ten years, during the latter part of the time W. H. McCabe being his associate partner. While in the newspaper business Mr. Beach served four years 1885-89 as postmaster of Coshocton during President Cleveland's first term.

In 1889, on selling his newspaper Mr. Beach engaged in the advertising business, establishing the Standard Advertising Company. This was consolidated in 1900, with the Tuscarora Advertising Company, and became the Meek & Beach Company, which in turn was succeeded in 1905 by the present American Art Works of Coshocton. In the meantime, however, in 1901 Mr. Beach had sold his interest in the Meek & Beach Company and in January, 1902, bought a lithographic sign plant at New York, reorganizing it as the H. D. Beach Company. This corporation was continued for six months in New York City, and was then removed to Coshocton. The H. D. Beach Company has enjoyed a marvelous growth and is one of the largest institutions of its kind in the country, manufacturing from sheet steel an extensive line of decorated display devices and signs for merchants. Then in 1907 the Beach Leather Company was organized to manufacture leather goods for advertising purposes. This was followed in 1913 by the organization of the Beach Enameling Company. These three companies

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constitute an industrial group that gives Coshocton a large part of the prosperity it enjoys from year to year. Of these companies Mr. Beach has continued the active head and president, although on account of failing health he has given up his active connections.

From the outset of his participation in the advertising novelty business, he has had as an active associate his son Harry L. Beach, who is now vice president and active manager of the three companies above named. He holds the post of general manager of the H. D. Beach Company.

Henry D. Beach is a democrat in politics, is a member of the Presbyterian Church, is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He married in 1871 Miss Camila S. Cantwell, of an old and respected family of Coshocton. She died several years ago, and her six children, who grew to mature years were Harry L., born at Richmond, Indiana, March 20, 1872, and married in 1894 Elizabeth Clendenning. Bessie, who keeps house for her father; Edwin, deceased. Alice, wife of Hervey L. Speckman of Coshocton, and Daniel, deceased, and Louis K. Beach.

Peter P. Pomerene, M. D. A notable Ohio family is that of the Pomerenes. In addition to the distinction given to the name by the career of former United States Senator Atlee Pomerene, other members of the family have been persons of solid importance in the state and in their home localities. One of the very able physicians of Holmes County was the late Dr. Peter Pomerene. Senator Pomerene was a son of this old time physician.

Dr. Peter P. Pomerene was born in Holmes County, September 18, 1832. His grandfather, Julius Pomerene, was a native of France, and came to the American colonies during the Revolutionary war as one of the French volunteers under General Lafayette. Following the war he settled at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and later moved to Allegheny, Pennsylvania, near Pittsburgh, where he died. His son, Julius Pomerene, father of Dr. Peter P. Pomerene, was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and in 1821 settled in Holmes County, Ohio, where he spent the rest of his life. He married Elizabeth Piersol, and had a family of four sons and two daughters.

Peter P. Pomerene was reared in Holmes County, and began the study of medicine under his brother, Dr. Joel Pomerene, of Mount Hope. Dr. Joel Pomerene was a Union soldier in the Civil war and was surgeon of General Garfield's regiment. Peter Pomerene began the practice of medicine at Berlin in Holmes County. In 1861 he was graduated from the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. He had a successful career in the medical profession for over thirty years, and was a charter member of the Holmes County Medical Society, and also a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations, and the International Medical College. For a time he lectured in the medical department of Ohio State University.

Dr. Peter P. Pomerene died at Berlin in 1892. His first wife was Annie Maxwell, who died in 1862. She left one son and two daughters, Ada Z, Haidee Aldee, who died when two years old, and Da Costa. The second wife of Dr. Peter P. Pomerene was Elizabeth Wise. She was the mother of seven sons and two daughters: Former United States Senator Atlee Pomerene; Harry P., a physician and surgeon at Canton, Ohio; Celsus, a lawyer at Canton; Lister, physician and surgeon at Coshocton; Ida; Ora; Lee, deceased; Melvin, deceased; and Myron B., a physician and surgeon at Millersburg.

Myron B. Pomerene, M. D. Several of the sons of the pioneer physician, Dr. Peter P. Pomerene, followed the profession of medicine, including Dr. Myron B. Pomerene of Millersburg. The name Pomerene has been associated with the profession of medicine in Holmes County for over sixty years. Dr. Myron B. Pomerene was born at Berlin in Holmes County, February 14, 1876, and was liberally educated. He finished his literary education in Georgetown College at Georgetown, Kentucky, and then entered the Hospital Medical College at Louisville. He received his Doctor of Medicine degree there in 1902. Doctor Pomerene has never been out of touch with the advancing progress in medicine and surgery. He has supplemented the opportunities of his own practice with numerous post-graduate courses and fellowship with prominent members of the profession. He has taken seven post-graduate courses in the Chicago Polyclinic, beginning in 1906, and beginning in 1915 has attended every alternate year.

After graduating he practiced in his father's old town, Berlin, and in 1913 moved to Millersburg, where he is a member of the Holmes County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Association. Doctor Pomerene married in 1907 Miss Florence E. Maxwell, of Holmes County. Their three children are Elizabeth, Collista and Margaret.

William B. Linville, D. O. The first osteopathic physician to locate in Butler County, Ohio, and one of the first in the state, Dr. William B. Linville, of Middletown, grew up in that section of Missouri where the science of osteopathy had its birth, and was one of those early attracted to the school at Kirksville. He has practiced in Southern Ohio for over twenty years.

Doctor Linville was born March 4, 1876, son of Joseph and Rebecca (Findley) Linville, of Edina, Missouri. He attended public schools in Sullivan County, Missouri, high school at Kirksville, and in February, 1900, graduated from the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville. On the 14th of February, 1900, he located at Middletown, Ohio, and was licensed to practice under the State Board in 1902. Doctor Linville continuously for nearly twenty-four years practiced in the same office.

In the meantime he has taken many post-graduate courses, attending Dr. S. S. Still's Osteopathic College at Des Moines, Iowa, in 1902, in 1919 attended the Chicago College of Osteopathy, and in 1922 and again in 1923 did post-graduate work in the Delaware Springs Hospital at Delaware, Ohio. In 1903 he took a special course in the Illinois School of Electro-Therapeutics at Chicago, and in 1924 a post-graduate course in the Andrew Taylor Still College, at Kirksville, Missouri. Doctor Linville has not missed attending a state or national meeting of the osteopathic societies in twenty-four years. He served one year as president of the Dayton District Osteopathic Society, and has been active in the Ohio State and American Osteopathic associations.

He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Middletown Civic Association and the Baptist Church. He owns a beautiful home with adjoining office at 121 South Main Street in Middletown. Doctor Linville married, on September 14, 1902, Miss Bertha Barlow, of Franklin, Ohio, daughter of Arthur and Martha G. (Girard) Barlow. Her mother, being left a widow, taught in one school in Franklin for over forty years. Doctor and Mrs. Linville, have one daughter, Martha Elizabeth, born in 1918.

Harold Karl Mouser, M. D., has practiced medicine and surgery at Marion since 1912, except for the period of the World war, while he was a medical officer in home camp and with the Expeditionary Forces in France.

Doctor Mouser was born at La Rue, Ohio, July 13, 1884, son of Dr. Justus A. and Sarah Ellen (Delong) Mouser, his father dying in 1898 and his mother, in 1908. Dr. Justus A. Mouser was born in 1832, and graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1862 with the degrees Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts, and in 1865 graduated from the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati. He began the study of medicine under Dr. Robert L. Sweeney, one of the pioneer physicians of Marion County. J. A. Mouser practiced for many years at La Rue.

Harold Karl Mouser, one of a family of nine children, was reared at La Rue, attended high school there, and spent one year in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He became a Phi Delta Theta at Delaware. He graduated in pharmacy from Ohio Northern University at Ada, and in 1907 graduated from the Indiana University Medical School at Indianapolis. He acted as resident house physician to the institution for the Feeble Minded Youth at Fort Wayne until 1910, and from 1910 to 1912 practiced medicine at Oakwood, Ohio. In 1912 he located at Marion, and for several years has specialized in surgery, in which his skill is pronounced. He is a member of the Marion County, Third District, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Mouser was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps in 1917, and attended the Medical Officers' Training School at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. He was then sent to Camp Lee, Virginia, and in New York City took a special course in military surgery at Rockefeller Institute and Bellevue. He remained at Camp Upton until August, 1918, when he went overseas with Evacuation Hospital No. 15, this hospital being located at Verdun, France. While overseas he was promoted to captain, and altogether he served with the Expeditionary forces ten months. Doctor Mouser is a member of the American Legion, belongs to the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church at Marion, and in Masonry is affiliated with the Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council, Knights Templar Commandery, Grotto and Scottish Rite Consistory.

He married, January 1, 1910, Miss Faye Strother, a native of Paulding County, Ohio, and daughter of Clarence B. Strother, who is connected with the Galion Iron Works at Galion, Ohio. Mrs. Mouser attended Oberlin College, and has been active in musical and literary circles at Marion.

HENRY ACKERMAN. It is not until after a man's earthly career is ended, and all that remains of his mortality has been consigned to the earth from which he sprung, is his spiritual side truly appreciated. Then it is that his deeds through life stand forth, and his accomplishments receive their real status. To his former associates the man himself is then revealed, and in this piercing light the life work and personality of the late Henry Ackerman of Marion are shown as worthy of the highest commendation. During the years he lived at Marion he was connected with many important movements, and his influence was always exerted to raise the standards in his home community.

Henry Ackerman was born at Nieder Modau, Germany, February 2, 1845, and died at Marion, December 3, 1923. He was a son of George and Margaretta B. (Bossler) Ackerman. Educated in his native city, and at Darmstadt, he also learned the trade of a barber. According to the customs of his country he was obligated to give a military service to his country, and this took the years between 1866 and 1868, inclusive, but with it completed, in November, 1868, he came to the United States. After a stop of a few months at Crestline, Ohio, in 1869, he located at Marion. For a time he conducted a barber shop, but like so many of his countrymen he was very musical, and it was not long before he began to carry on a musical business. The latter grew to such an extent that he was soon forced to abandon his trade to give it his attention. What he had commenced in a small way expanded in the course of time into the Henry Ackerman Piano Company, and he was its president until his death. In addition to doing a large retail business this company for years manufactured pianos at Marion. For over twenty-five years he was president of the Home Building & Loan Association. He had extensive real estate holdings, was a director of the Marion County Bank, and was otherwise interested in local enterprises, which he believed in encouraging. One of the founders of the Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church of Marion, he continued zealous in its behalf the remainder of his useful life.

A man very active in fraternities and social organizations, he belonged to the Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery in Masonry at Marion, and to Aladdin Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Columbus. He was also a member of Kosciusko Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Marion Lodge No. 402, Knights of Pythias; Marion Lodge No. 32, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and had held all of the offices in the Grand Lodge of Ohio, had represented Ohio in the Supreme Grove, and was treasurer for life of the Supreme Grove of United and Ancient Order of Druids. The Marion, Marion Country and other local clubs held his membership, as did the Marion Chamber of Commerce, and he participated actively in every civic or public movement promulgated for the uplifting of Marion.

On December 26, 1868, Mr. Ackerman married at Crestline, Ohio, Miss Elizabeth Matthes, who was born in Germany, May 18, 1847. She is deceased. They had two children, William Henry and Alice P. William Henry Ackerman died at the age of twenty-eight. He married Pauline E. Blaich, of Marion, who survives him, and they had one son, Henry C. Ackerman, who was born August 23, 1894. He is a resident of Marion, and is secretary and treasurer of the Henry Ackerman Piano Company. Fraternally he is a Scottish and York Mason, and belongs to the Mystic Shrine and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Alice P. Ackerman is the wife of O. H. Boyd, president of the Henry Ackerman Piano Company.

JULIUS E. FOSTER. During his residence of over thirty years in Coshocton County a number of interesting activities have contributed to make Julius E. Foster a man of enviable leadership and prominence in the community. He is still active in business as an insurance man, and is a former representative of the county in the State Legislature.

He was born on a farm in Wayne County, Ohio, March 9, 1867. His parents, John and Eliza (Juillerat) Foster, were born in Switzerland, where the father of John spent all his life, while Adolph Juillerat, coming to the United States, lived in Wayne County, Ohio, and joined a son at San Francisco, California, where he died. John Foster became a potter by trade. On his farm near Mount Eaton, Ohio, he operated as a potter for several years. He died when fifty-three years of age. His first wife was a Miss Rudy, and by that marriage there were three sons and one daughter. By his marriage with Eliza Juillerat the only child was Julius E. His widow survived him, passing away at the age of seventy-three, having married, her second husband being Ulysses Marchand, by whom she had two sons and one daughter.

Julius E. Foster was nine years old when his father died, and practically from that age has been dependent upon himself and has made his own way in the world. He did a variety of common farm labor without wages until he was twelve, and then for four years

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received in addition to board and clothing only $25 per year. As a monthly wage worker he was on farms until he was nineteen, in the meantime spending the winter seasons in country schools. For one year, at the age of nineteen, he worked at the trade of carpenter, then for several years clerked in a general store at Mount Eaton and when he was twenty-three years of age he put into practice a resolution long before made, using his savings to put him through the veterinary college at Toronto, Canada, where he was graduated in 1891. As a doctor of veterinary medicines he returned to Ohio, practicing a year and a half at Navarre, in Stark County, and since then has been a resident of Coshocton. For thirty years Doctor Foster had an extensive practice covering practically all of Coshocton County and became one of the leading veterinarians in his section of the state. When he finally gave up his practice he took up a new business interest, life insurance. He now devotes all his time to his duties as an agent for the Columbus Mutual Life Insurance Company.

From 1908 for a period of nine and a half years Doctor Foster was health officer for the City of Coshocton. He was elected a member of the Legislature on the democratic ticket, serving first in 1917 and was reelected for a second term. While in the Legislature he was a member of a number of important committees, including public health, chairman of the food and dairies, secretary of the liquor traffic and temperance, the joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, and the joint committee on the reorganization of the House and Senate. Mr. Foster is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Knight Templar and Shriner, also belongs to Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

He married in 1891 Miss Tillie Cabut, who was born and reared in Wayne County, Ohio, daughter of Stephen and Zeline (Schaffter) Cabut. They have one son, Glenn W. Foster.

Carl Frederick La Marche, through his connection with the American Malleable Castings Company, is wielding a strong influence, and is doing his part as one of the determining factors in the industrial life of Marion. Since 1918 he has held the office of vice president and treasurer of this company, starting with the company in 1912, and he has been connected with it during all of its career.

Carl Frederick La Marche was born in Cleveland, Ohio, July 14, 1894, a son of Charles Louis and Clara Louise (Catoir) La Marche. In 1905 the father moved to Marion, and in the same year assisted in establishing the American Malleable Castings Company, manufacturers of castings for railroads, auto trucks and agricultural implements, of which he has since continued president. The American Malleable Castings Company succeeded the Marion Malleable Iron Company. The plant is a thoroughly modern one, and the trade territory is constantly expanding. In 1920 Charles L. La Marche went to Los Angeles, California, and in 1923 located permanently at Cleveland, Ohio, which continues to be his home.

Growing up at Marion, Carl Frederick La Marche attended its high schools, and the Staunton, Virginia, Military Academy, at which institution he made the Pi Phi Greek letter fraternity. Since 1912, as before stated, he has been connected with the American Malleable Castings Company. With his father at Cleveland, the active management of the company's affairs at Marion is in his hands, and his time and attention are occupied with them to the exclusion of other business connections.

On August 7, 1916, Mr. La Marche married at Marion, Ohio, Miss Mary Faye Huber, a daughter of Frank A. Huber, one of Marion's leading citizens, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this work. Mr. and Mrs. La Marche have the following children: Marian Faye, Charles Richard and Natalie Ann. Mr. La Marche belongs to the Marion Club, the Marion Country Club, the Marion Rotary Club and to the Old Colony Club. He is a member of the Central Ohio Manufacturers' Association, the Railway Business Men's Association and the American Foundrymen's Association, and is active in all of these organizations.

Casmir J. Borkowski, who was born and reared at Steubenville, was away from this community for over two years as an American soldier in the World war, and since his return has qualified and made an enviable success as an attorney.

He was born in Steubenville, March 4, 1895, son of Joseph and Victoria Borkowski, also of Steubenville. All his grandparents were natives of Poland. Joseph Borkowski came to the United States about forty years ago and settled in Steubenville, and has been a veteran employe of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He lost his leg in the service about thirty years ago. Joseph Borkowski had the following children: Joseph; Margaret, who died in 1919; John; Mary; Casmir J.; Helen; and Rose, who died in 1920.

Casmir J. Borkowski attended public schools in Steubenville, from 1908 to 1913, attended St. Mary's Preparatory School at Orchard Lake, Michigan, and then entered Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tennessee, taking the course in its famous law school. Before graduating he returned home, taught school at Steubenville for a time, and in January, 1917, entered Ohio Northern University at Ada.

In May, 1917, he volunteered, entered the First Officers' Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, and was commissioned a second lieutenant. He was assigned duty with the Eighty-third Division, companies C and D, at Camp Sherman, Ohio, and in August, 1918, went overseas, landing at South Hampton, crossed the channel to LeHavre and after a week was sent to a training school at Chatilon-sur-Seine. He was assigned duty with the Three Hundred and Twenty-seventh Machine Gun Battalion in the Eighty-fourth Division, remaining there six weeks, and in October was put in the Thirty-fifth Division, in Company D of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Machine Gun Battalion. This division was then in reserve back of the Appermont in the Verdun sector, but was exposed to shell fire all the time. Later the division started for Metz, the armistice being signed while they were en route. Mr. Borkowski's troops were in St. Mihiel sector and in Toul, and at St. Nazaire embarked for home in April, 1919, landing at Norfolk about May 1. He then was put in charge of a detachment of Ohio boys, taking them to Camp Sherman, where he received his honorable discharge in May, 1919. He had been with the colors two years and one month.

In June, 1920, Mr. Borkowski successfully passed the bar examination, was admitted and since then has engaged in a general practice at Steubenville. Shortly after being admitted he was appointed United States commissioner, which office he still holds.

He married in November, 1917, Miss Catherine Trusilla, daughter of Lewis L. and Victoria Trusilla. Her father is a retired resident of Steubenville, having for many years been in the confectionery business and is a real estate owner. Mr. and Mrs. Borkowski have one daughter, Dorothy. They are members of the Catholic Church. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion. Mr. Borkowski was instrumental in organizing Argonne Post No. 33 of the American Legion at Steubenville, and was elected its first commander.

CHARLES DAVID SCHAFFNER. A man of unusual business capability, Charles David Schaffner has developed his talents in the financial and real estate fields, and is today accepted as one of the most effective workers along both of these important lines in Marion County, while he has played a distinctive part in the advancement of the City of Marion. He was born at Marion, August 7, 1869. His father, Henry Schaffner, was born at Effingen, Canton Aargan, Switzerland, May 31, 1831, a son of David Schaffner. The latter came to the United States in 1848, and first stopped at Mansfield, Ohio, moving from there to Galion, Ohio, in 1850, to Agosta, Marion County, in 1862, and in 1869 went to Dyer County, Iowa, and finally located in Clay County, Kansas, where he died.

Coming to the United States with his parents in 1848, Henry Schaffner located at Marion December 14, 1849, and began an apprenticeship to the cabinetmaking trade. He completed his trade at Kenton, Ohio, and worked at it at Indianapolis, Indiana, and Lafayette, Indiana, but after a short period returned to Marion, and worked at his trade in partnership with Samuel Saiter. During the cholera epidemic at Marion in 1854 they were engaged in manufacturing coffins to bury the victims. Later on, in 1866, he, with his partner, added undertaking to their cabinetmaking business, but dissolved this connection in 1877, and from then until 1882 he was alone as a cabinetmaker. In the latter year he added undertaking, and continued in it until his death May 24, 1906. The business he founded so many years ago is still conducted by his son Frank. During the war between the North and the South Henry Schaffner served in a hundred-day regiment. He was a democrat in his political faith. The Protestant Evangelical Church held his membership. In 1856 he married Margaret Schultz, born in Germany, but brought to the United States by her parents when she was three years old. She, too, is now deceased.

Educated in the Marion public schools, Charles David Schaffner learned furniture and cabinetmaking with his father, but not finding in this line the work he liked he, in 1887, entered the Marion County Bank as collector. After twelve years as collector he was made assistant cashier and April 8, 1907, became cashier, which position he held until 1918. While serving as cashier he became interested in real estate, and in 1918 began operating extensively in building homes for the people of Marion and selling them on the partial payment plan. This proved so profitable that he formed the firm of C. D. & W. E. Schaffner, the junior member being his son, and they are doing a very large business. Through their plan of making payments many working people have obtained homes of their own, and this movement is one which has a number of excellent features. Not only is it economical, and one affording a good investment for the savings of a family, but in giving a man a permanent place of residence, and thus awakening his interest in local improvements and conditions, the best form of patriotism is called forth, and those who are effecting such changes are displaying citizenship of the highest type.

Mr. Schaffner is vice president of the Marion Cemetery Association, which owns one of the finest cemeteries in Ohio, located on the outskirts of Marion. It is planted with every known species of tree or shrub indigenous to the climate, and the well-trimmed lawns are a marvel of landscape gardening. The greenhouses, artificial lakes and Soldiers' Memorial all add to the beauty and dignity of this "God's Acre." This is a self-supporting proposition, and all of its officers, including the Board of Directors, serve without any compensation.

One of the best known men in Marion County, Mr. Schaffner, belongs to a number of the leading associations, and is a member of the Rotary Club, the Marion Real Estate Board, the Ohio Real Estate Board, the National Real Estate Board, the Marion Club, the Marion Country Club, the Marion Chamber of Commerce, and he was active in all of the local war work. Fraternally he belongs to Marion Lodge No. 70, Free and Accepted Masons; Marion Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons; Marion Council No. 22, Royal and Select Masters; Marion Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar; Scioto Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and Aladdin Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a director of the Marion Masonic Temple Company. It is a source of great pride to him that not only was he held in warm friendship and high esteem by the late President Harding, but that the distinguished American made him the executor of his will, and a trustee of his estate, honors Mr. Schaffner most capably discharged. Mr. Schaffner's hobby is nature study and fishing.

In 1894 Mr. Schaffner married Miss Bertha Muntsinger, of Marion, a daughter of the late William Muntsinger, who during life was a drygoods merchant of Marion. Mr. and Mrs. Schaffner have one son, Walter E., who is associated with his father in the real estate business. During the World war he served as corporal of the Three Hundred and Twenty-ninth Supply Train, and as a member of the American Expeditionary Forces spent a year in France.

PETER EVEREST STUDEBAKER. The name of Studebaker has long been connected with the industrial life of Ohio, and products bearing the same name, in different lines, have attained to worldwide distinction. For many years the Studebaker vehicles have commanded the highest price and greatest prestige in every portion of the civilized world, and today the fame of the Studebaker-Wulff tires, tubes, men's rubber belts and running board mats is equally widespread. As a son of one of the five famous Studebaker brothers who founded the famous Studebaker Wagon Works at South Bend, Indiana, Peter Everest Studebaker, president of the Studebaker-Wulff Rubber Company of Marion, Ohio, was early trained as to the importance of excellence of production and honorable dealing, and has never ceased to embody in all of his operations the lessons taught him during the formative period of his life.

Peter Everest Studebaker was born at South Bend, Indiana, July 30, 1877, a son of Henry and Priscilla (Kreisbaum) Studebaker. Henry Studebaker was born at Snider, Pennsylvania, and died at South Bend, Indiana, in 1895, aged sixty-eight years. His wife was born at Elkhart, Indiana, and died in 1915, aged seventy-one years.

Growing to manhood in his native town, Peter Everest Studebaker attended its high school, and later De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, from which he was graduated in 1897. While at the university he was active in all athletics and the Sigma Chi fraternity. Following his return from the university he entered the employ of Studebaker Brothers, and remained with that concern until 1914, when he left it to organize the International India Rubber Company, manufacturers of auto tires and tubes, and continued president of that corporation until 1921, when he resigned to become president of the Studebaker-Wulff Rubber Company. This corporation has two plants at Marion, where the general office is also located, another plant at Wadsworth, Ohio, and a third plant at Carey, Ohio.

In addition to his onerous duties as president of his large industrial enterprise, Mr. Studebaker finds time to devote considerable attention to civic affairs, and is deeply interested in the further advancement of his home city. He is a director of the Marion

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Chamber of Commerce, and belongs to the Marion Club, the Marion Country Club, the Marion Kiwanis Club, and is a life member of the Harding Highway Association. Golf is his favorite recreation. During the late war he was zealous in behalf of all of the war activities, and produced some remarkable results.

In January, 1907, Mr. Studebaker married, at South Bend, Miss Olive Klingaman, a daughter of Henry Klingaman, who after a service as a Union soldier in an Ohio regiment of infantry became a wagon manufacturer of South Bend. Mrs. Studebaker is very active in social life, and in church matters she, like her husband, is a member of the Presbyterian Church life. One daughter, Leah, has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Studebaker.

George Busby Christian, Sr., one of the leading business men of Marion, is a dependable, influential and successful citizen who gives a loyal support to every movement for the betterment of the city and county and for the expansion of the work of the church. Many of the prosperous enterprises of Marion have either been organized or developed by him, and to him is due much of the present prestige of the city.

Mr. Christian was born at Marion, December 27, 1846, a son of Dr. John Miller Christian, who was born in New Kent County, Virginia, March 21, 1821, and came of Huguenot ancestry. Following his completion of a course at Rumford Academy he became one of the pioneer postal clerks of Ohio, and in that position earned the money to carry him through the University of Ohio, Athens, and after being graduated from that institution he, in 1843, located at Marion and became one of the early teachers of this city. While connected with the Marion Academy as an educator he studied medicine, and from 1851 to 1854 was engaged in the practice of homeopathy at Lawrenceburg, Indiana. In the latter year he returned to Marion and continued his practice until his death, March 29, 1882, and became one of the leading physicians of the county. In 1846 he married Pauline Busby, a daughter of Maj. George H. Busby, a native of Pennsylvania, who served in the second war with England. In 1823 Major Busby came to Marion County, and from 1824 to 1837 served as the first clerk of courts, and also as county recorder. Very active in the democratic party, he became its local leader, and served during 1851 and 1852 as a member of the Thirty-second Congress. In 1866 he was elected Probate Judge, and was holding that office at the time of his death in 1869.

Still a youth, attending the Marion schools, Mr. Christian enlisted as a drummer boy with the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, but in June, 1863, he reenlisted in the Fifth Ohio Volunteer Cavalry, and served at Camp Chase, Columbus; Camp Todd, Columbus, and at Cleveland, in the latter city the troops being camped on the present site of Cleveland Heights. His organization became Company B of the Fifth Ohio Cavalry, and was later sent into the mountains of Kentucky, where it remained until March, 1864, maintaining order. The Fourth and Fifth regiments of Ohio Cavalry later were merged into the Thirteenth Ohio Cavalry.

After receiving his honorable discharge following the Declaration of Peace, Mr. Christian returned to Marion, and in 1866 was appointed deputy county auditor, and also discharged the duties of deputy county recorder and deputy county surveyor. In 1873 he was elected county surveyor, but after two years in that office he embarked in the business of building and contracting. It was Mr. Christian who first sounded the tocsin for the good roads movement in Marion County, and from then until the present day, has never relaxed his efforts in behalf of this much needed improvement, and it was he who built the first gravel road in the county, which extends from La Rue to the Union County line. He also built the Radnor Road and the Christian Turnpike, the latter being named in his honor, as being the one to whom the present excellent roads of the county are due.

For some years he was also engaged in the lumber business in conjunction with his building operations, and then, in 1877, he branched out into a new line, becoming editor of the Marion Mirror, a weekly democratic journal. In 1882 he became interested in the lime and stone business. From that year until 1907 he served as president of the Norris & Christian Lime & Stone Company, but in the latter year sold his interest in it and in 1908 organized the White Sulphur Lime & Stone Company, with its plant at White Sulphur, Delaware County, Ohio, and continued as its president until 1922. For several years he was president of the Home Building, Savings & Loan Company, and in 1888 assisted in organizing the Marion Building, Savings & Loan Association. The cause of education has always had in him a strong advocate, and for a number of years he was a member of the City School Board. Reared in a democratic household, he is a democrat by inheritance as well as conviction, and has been active in local politics for many years, but, regardless of this, he supported Warren Harding for President. At present he is engaged in writing the memoirs of his busy life at Marion, which is looked forward to with a great deal of interest. Having numbered many of the leading men of the state and country as his personal friends, he has had many opportunities of getting the inside story of historic happenings, as well as knowing these men as they appeared to their intimates, and his recollections will be entertaining as well as authentic. The Presbyterian Church has him as a member. High in Masonry, he belongs to the Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery and Shrine of his order, and he is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; of Cooper Post No. 117, Grand Army of the Republic, of which he is a charter member, and for several years he has been president of the Thirteenth Ohio Cavalry Association. During the late war he took a zealous part in the local war work, and was especially active as a speaker in behalf of the different drives, his standing and eloquence resulting in some remarkable responses in sales and contributions.

On October 14, 1869, Mr. Christian married Miss Lydia E. Norris, of Green Camp, Ohio, and they have three living children: George Busby, Jr., one of the outstanding figures of President Harding's administration, as he served that distinguished American as his secretary both while he was United States Senator and President; Mary Belle, Mrs. J. F. Dombaugh, of Marion; and Mildred, Mrs. Chester C. Roberts, of Marion, whose husband holds the rank of major in the Reserves.

Roy N. Merryman. A member of the Steubenville bar since 1906, Mr. Merryman has had a very successful practice in business and civil law, and his name is also favorably known in republican politics and public affairs, his reputation being by no means consigned to Jefferson County.

He was born at Steubenville (1882), son of D. M. and H. May (Armstrong) Merryman. The Merryman family have lived in Jefferson County for three generations, the great-grandfather having come from England, and the Armstrongs are likewise of English ancestry. The paternal grandparents were Samuel and Margaret (Frazier) Merryman, and the maternal grandparents were Robert and Hannah Armstrong. May (Armstrong) Merryman died in January, 1921.

D. M. Merryman has been well known in Jefferson County as a contractor and builder, and while living at Bloomingdale was a member of the Town Council. He is a republican, a Presbyterian and a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics. There were just two children, Roy N. and Bessie, the latter the wife of George Deist.

Roy N. Merryman attended public schools at Bloomingdale, finishing his high school course there in 1898. He then attended a commercial college at Pittsburgh, and remained there two years as private secretary to the general manager of the Pittsburgh & Allegheny Telephone Company.

Soon after returning to Steubenville, in 1900, Mr. Merryman began the study of law under Judge Mansfield, his present partner. He had some valuable experience in training through acting as a special court reporter. He also completed a course in law at the Cincinnati Law School, and successfully passed his examinations and was admitted to the bar in June, 1906. He then became associated as junior partner with Judge Mansfield. This firm has handled no criminal practice, and in corporation and civil law has represented many large and important interests at Steubenville.

Mr. Merryman served as city solicitor from 1912 to 1916, and in the latter year was candidate for attorney-general of Ohio. He was chairman of the county committee when Mr. Harding was elected in 1920, and did some good campaign work when Taft was a candidate. In 1924 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Jefferson County. During the World war he was made a special prosecutor of the Federal Department of Justice and was assigned headquarters at Muskogee, Oklahoma, having charge of federal violations. Mr. Merryman is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Elks, belongs to the Country Club and Chamber of Commerce, and to the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

He married at Steubenville in December, 1911, Miss Mary Vorhees, daughter of D. F. and Lyde H. (Hall) Vorhees. Her mother is living but her father died in May, 1920. D. F. Vorhees was well known in Jefferson County, active in politics, was deputy sheriff, also sheriff, and at the time of his death was probation officer of the county. He was a Methodist and a Knight of Pythias. Mr. and Mrs. Merryman have one son, Robert.

Hon. John J. Hane, one of the native sons of Ohio, prominent in financial circles of this city, in later years a leader in movements beneficial to the welfare of the city, was untiring in his energetic work in behalf of the local banks, and displayed remarkable initiative in reorganizing them so as to expand their field of usefulness and secure to the depositors the utmost safety. He was born in Stark County, Ohio, September 13, 1836, a son of John and Matilda (Kitzmiller) Hane, and grandson of Christian Hane, who came to Stark County, Ohio, in 1814, from Pennsylvania.

Until he was eighteen years of age John J. Hane remained on his father's Stark County farm, but was given the privilege of attending school at Canton, Ohio. He began his contact with the business world as a clerk, and soon saw that he needed more training in order to rise. Therefore, he took a course at Duff's Commercial College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and still later one at Granger's College, Columbus, Ohio.

Possessing a mind that found congenial employment in matters of finance, he studied banking, and in 1857 came to Marion as cashier of the Bank of Marion, which had been established in 1851. It was not long before this astute young man recognized the necessity for a national bank at Marion, and after hard work and good management he succeeded in reorganizing the Bank of Marion as the First National Bank, of which he continued cashier. In 1869 this bank was succeeded by the Farmers Bank, a private bank, with himself as cashier, and this bank was succeeded by the Farmers & Mechanics Bank, under state charter. He continued as head of these institutions until his death, which occurred at Marion March 23, 1898. The Marion National Bank was organized by his son, Henry B., in 1902. Mr. Hane was not always content, however, with his accomplishments in the fields of finance. His outlook was broader, and he was always striving to improve the condition of the city and secure its civic betterment. Believing in the encouragement of local enterprises, he invested heavily in a number of Marion business houses, giving to their management the stalwartness of his vigorous mind and great heart, and some of them, surviving today, owe their present prosperity to his initial work in their behalf. A republican of the highest character, he held many offices, being county commissioner, corporation treasurer, presidential elector in 1876, and State Senator from the Thirteenth Ohio Senatorial District.

He was twice married, the second time June 14, 1865, when he was united with Miss Melissa A. Bell, born at Sandusky, Ohio, in 1842. She died September 20, 1924. They had six children born to them, all living. They are: Henry B., Florence A., Alice M., Mrs. Mary John Rapp, Mrs. Eleanor Bell and Walter E.

Henry Bell Hane, president of the Marion National Bank, and one of the aggressive business men of Marion County, comes of one of the old families of the Buckeye State, and one which is honored in local history. His father, the late John J. Hane, was long associated with the banking interests of the city and county, and held offices of importance, for he stood high in public confidence. Through his father and mother, Mrs. Melissa A. (Bell) Hane, Mr. Hane traces his ancestry back through good American stock, and he is proud of his forebears and their connection with the development of the country. Henry Bell Hane was born at Marion, Ohio, April 21, 1866.

His high school courses completed, in 1884 Henry Bell Hane entered the banking business, and July 7, 1902, became president of the Marion National Bank, the outgrowth of the Bank of Marion, established in 1851, and held that office for three years, when he retired. On November 11, 1918, he became secretary and treasurer of the Columbus, Marion & Bucyrus Railroad Company and of the Prospect Electric Light Company. In 1921 he was appointed national bank examiner, city banks only, of the Fourth Federal Reserve District. With the death of J. E. Waddell, then president of the First National Bank, Mr. Hane was induced to resume the presidency of his old bank, and is still serving as its executive head. He is also a director of the Huber Manufacturing Company, and of the Marion County Telephone Company. Always a republican, he served as president of the Election Board in 1900, and has always been active in party affairs. Mr. Hane belongs to the Marion Club, the Marion Country Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Marion County War Board, and other local organizations. A Mason, he belongs to Marion Lodge No. 70, Free and Accepted Masons; Marion Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons; Marion Council No. 22, Royal and Select Masters; Marion Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar; Scioto Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; and Al Koran Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Cleveland.

Cortez L. Williams

On October 14, 1897, Mr. Hane married Ava Wilson at Marion. She is a daughter of the late Harvey Wilson, a hardware merchant of Marion, and a Union Army veteran, having served in the Fourth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Mr. and Mrs. Hane have two children: John J., who is auditor of the Columbus, Marion & Bucyrus Railroad Company; and Henry Wilson, who is assistant bank examiner of the Fourth Federal Reserve Bank District. Mr. Hane's record, in all of its varied phases, is one which reflects honor and dignity upon the city which esteems him. He has been a life-long resident of the city of his birth, and no citizen has been more fearless in conduct, more constant in service, and more stainless in reputation. He has always felt a love for Marion that has been made manifest in countless ways for municipal development and welfare, and the expansion of its business and financial resources.

Cortez L. Williams. In the law, in politics and in public affairs generally Cortez L. Williams is one of the notable figures in the citizenship of Jefferson County. His membership in the bar of Steubenville runs back more than twenty years.

Mr. Williams was born at Bloomfield, Jefferson County, January 15, 1877, a son of William M. and Mary J. (Blackburn) Williams, while his paternal grandparents were William Owen and Margaret (Tipton) Williams. William Owen Williams was born in Wales, came to the United States about 1840, and at once acquired American citizenship. He married in this country, and shortly after the discovery of gold in California he started for the West, and died in the gold fields of California in 1853. The last ever heard from him by his family was a letter in which he stated that he had acquired a fine placer gold mine in the famous mining camp of Grass Valley, and that he would be back home before long. His family waited nearly a year, then one of them went West, but could find no definite information as to his end. The Blackburn family is of English ancestry. The maternal grandparents of the Steubenville attorney were Samuel and Jane Blackburn.

William M. Williams has for a number of years been a contractor and builder of Steubenville. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife are members of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. There are three children, Cortez L. being the oldest. Samuel Owen married Olive Copeland. The daughter, Hattie, is the wife of Arba Williamson, and their three children are named Arba, Jr., Sherman William and Jane.

Cortez L. Williams secured his early education in the public schools at Bloomfield and Steubenville, graduated from the Jewett High School in 1896, and subsequently took his law course at the Ohio State University at Columbus, graduating in 1901. Soon afterward he entered practice at Steubenville. From the first he has taken an active part in politics and public affairs. He was elected and served two terms, from 1902 to 1906, as journal clerk of the House of Representatives, but maintained his law office in Steubenville. He was city solicitor from 1916 to 1920. In 1922 he was a candidate at the primaries for lieutenant-governor of Ohio. Subsequently he was again elected city solictor, his present term in that office beginning in January, 1924.

Mr. Williams married at Jewett, Ohio, December 26, 1901, Miss Mary Estelle McElroy, daughter of Joseph Mitchell and Irene (Winning) McElroy. Her father, who died in October, 1919, was a live stock and grain buyer, was a Presbyterian and a member of the Knights of Pythias. Mrs. Williams has a brother, William H., who married Clara Pratt, and has two children, William and Beatrice, and her other brother, Joseph Harold, married Miss Maud Baird, their four children being Harold, James, Lee and Wilma. One sister, Wilma Catherine, married George J. Barthold.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams have one son, Cortez McElroy. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Williams belongs to the County and Ohio State Bar associations, is a Mason, a Knight of Pythias, and Elks, and a member of the Steubenville Country Club.

John F. McNeal, one of the eminent attorneys and forceful citizens of Marion, always used his fine legal talents in the furtherance of what he conceived to be for the best interests of the city, merging the two characters of citizen and lawyer into a high personal combination which, despite differences of intellectual opinion, has been generally recognized as an example well worthy of emulation. In whatever movement Mr. McNeal participated he stimulated discussion and won the respect of the public because of his flaming sincerity and sterling integrity.

John F. McNeal was born at Iberia, Morrow County, Ohio, April 28, 1840, and died at Marion in 1907, leaving behind him an honorable record of notable achievements. He was a son of Allen McNeal, who was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, June 17, 1809. Leaving his native hearth in 1829, Allen McNeal came to Ohio, and buying a farm in Morrow County, continued to reside upon it until his death, which occurred in July 1883.

A product of the rural regions, John F. McNeal was trained according to the somewhat rigid customs of his day, and from childhood learned stern lessons of thrift, honesty and industry. His early education obtained in the district schools was supplemented by a course at Iberia College. When war was declared between the North and the South he was one of the first to volunteer from Morrow County, enlisting April 22, 1861, in Company I, Third Ohio Volunteer Infantry, as a three-months' man. With the expiration of his enlistment, August 22, 1861, he reenlisted the following day in Battery E, First Ohio Light Artillery, and served with his unit until receiving his honorable discharge September 1, 1864.

Returning to Marion County, Mr. McNeal read law, passed the state examinations, and was admitted to the bar April 8, 1865, and in 1872 was admitted to practice in the United States District courts. Coming to Marion in 1865 he established himself in a general practice, during several years being associated with J. C. Johnson. Dissolving this connection after three years, Mr. McNeal was with Philip Dombaugh, and then from 1879 to 1894 he was senior member of the firm of McNeal & Wolford. In the latter year he took his two sons, L. B. and A. F. McNeal, into partnership with him, the name being J. F. McNeal & Sons. Still later he and his elder son formed the firm of J. F. & L. B. McNeal, which continued until his death. Mr. McNeal espoused the principles of the republican party, as he believed them best adapted to secure the welfare of the public and the perpetuating of good government. For several years he served Marion as mayor, and was one of the best executives the city has ever possessed.

On May 9, 1867, John F. McNeal married Miss Annie M. Francis, and they had two sons born to them: L. B. and A. F. The professional intimates of Mr. McNeal unhesitatingly placed him among the most able general practitioners who ever graced the Ohio bar, as he was perfectly at home in every department, whether civil or criminal, common law or chancery, real estate or corporation law. Because of this breadth of eminence he earned a firm place as one of the great lawyers of the state, whom in many respects had no superior. Throughout his life

he was an associate of great lawyers and statesmen, and barely missed the distinction of being classed with the latter. He was one of the ideal gentlemen in public life—a man of remarkable strength of character, and of unassuming courtesy and tenderness.

HON. LOUIS BERTEL MCNEAL, judge of the Probate and Juvenile courts of Marion County, is a jurist of state-wide reputation, whose connection not only with the bench but the civic interests of Marion are of lasting importance. He was born at Marion, April 28, 1868, a son of the late John F. McNeal, mention of whom is to be found in the preceding sketch.

Judge McNeal was a student of the Marion High School and Wooster College before he matriculated in Cornell University, from which he was graduated in 1892, with the degree of Bachelor of Letters. After graduation from the university he read law with McNeal & Wolford. After his admission to the bar he was associated with J. F. McNeal & Sons from 1894 to 1901, and then for the succeeding six years he and his father were in partnership under the name of J. F. and L. B. McNeal. With the death of his father in 1907, Mr. McNeal entered upon a period of practicing alone, which continued until his elevation to the bench in 1921. Always a republican, he has been active in his party, and was its successful candidate in 1902 for the Lower House of the Ohio General Assembly, in which he served for one term. On February 9, 1921, he was elected Probate and Juvenile judge for Marion County, and is still serving.

Joining the Ohio National Guard, he served as a musician from 1899 to 1917, becoming assistant bandmaster, and as a member of the organization was on the Mexican border in 1916. Upon receiving his honorable discharge he returned to Marion and resumed his practice. With this country's entry into the World war he became active in local war work, and was on the Marion County Draft Board. Subsequently he went to Montgomery, Alabama, and enlisted as a private in the One Hundred and Forty-sixth Infantry Band, and was sent to France with the Thirty-seventh American Division. With his return to the United States and his honorable discharge Mr. McNeal once more resumed his professional work at Marion. He is a member of the American Legion. Fraternally he belongs to the Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery and Shrine in Masonry, and to the Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and other organizations. Music is his hobby, and he has cultivated his talent for this art.

On June 14, 1894, Judge McNeal married Alice H. Fairfield, and they have three children: Dorothy, Mary and John Allen.

EVERETT HUMPHREYS MORGAN, M. D., recognized as one of the leading physicians and surgeons of Marion, is enjoying a large industrial practice in surgery, as he is retained by the numerous plants of this vicinity to care for their employes in case of accident. He is also a veteran of the World war, and a citizen who displays commendable public spirit.

Born on a farm near Gallipolis, Ohio, August 10, 1876, Doctor Morgan is a son of David J. and Mary (Davis) Morgan. The father was born in Wales, but came to the United States in 1842, and bought a farm in Gallia County, Ohio, and there he continued to reside until his death in 1905, at the age of eighty-four years. The mother, also a native of Wales, died September 7, 1915, aged eighty-four years. They were very prominent people of Gallia County.

The fourteenth child in a family of fifteen, Doctor Morgan early formed the ambition to be a physician, and his after life was shaped with that end in view. In order to begin his preparation he supplemented his country school training with a course in the Rio Grande College, and was engaged in teaching in the country schools until he enlisted for service in the Spanish-American war, and was made first sergeant of Company C, Seventh Ohio Infantry, June 30, 1898, at Camp Alger, Virginia.

Following his honorable discharge at the close of hostilities he returned home, and, going to Columbus, he entered Starling Medical College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine April 16, 1903, and as a member of Phi Beta Phi. His first experience as a medical practioner was gained at Montgomery, West Virginia, as surgeon for the Carver Brothers Coal Company. While there he took an active part in school and political affairs, and also was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Montgomery. In 1911 he severed his connection at Montgomery, and, going to Jackson, Ohio, embarked in a general practice, and was later made president of the local medical society. He became interested in banking, and served as a director of the Citizens Saving & Trust Company. In 1916 he went to Saint Paul, Minnesota, and was carrying on a general practice in that city when this country entered the World war. Doctor Morgan then enlisted, May 19, 1917, in the Medical Officers' Reserve Corps, as a first lieutenant. On August 9, 1917, he was sent to Fort Riley, Kansas, and after a course of instructions was retained as instructor in the Medical Officers' Training Camp, and received his commission as captain December 26, 1917. In September, 1918, he was transferred to Camp Meade as director of Ambulance Corps, Eleventh Division, which he organized (Ambulance Sector). In October of that year he was sent overseas to the Army Sanitary School as senior medical officer of the Advance School Detachment and was there when the armistice was signed. Returned to the United States, he was honorably discharged December 27, 1918, having been promoted to the rank of major October 21, 1918. On February 24, 1919, he was commissioned major of the Medical Officers' Reserve Corps, which rank he still holds.

In 1919 Doctor Morgan came to Marion, and has since been located here, and has built up a very large practice, especially in industrial surgery. The County, State and National Medical associations hold his membership. Very active in the American Legion, he is an examiner for the War Veterans' Bureau. Doctor Morgan belongs to the Marion County Club. He is a York Rite Mason, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Astronomy is his hobby, and in this science he has become an expert.

Doctor Morgan married Elizabeth Bovie, of Gallipolis, Ohio, daughter of Fred M. Bovie, a prominent business man of Gallipolis. Mrs. Morgan is an active worker in the Episcopal Church of Marion, and is also active in club life. She and Doctor Morgan have four children: Bovie, David J., Elizabeth and Roger.

CHARLES R. WHITE, newspaper publisher and postmaster at Millersburg, grew up in the atmosphere of a newspaper office. His father was one of the successful men in Ohio journalism in the last century.

Charles R. White was born at Wooster, Ohio, August 6, 1869, son of Henry G. and Mary Elizabeth (Steinman) White. His father was born in London, England, and his mother in Holmes County, Ohio. Henry G. White came to the United States when a young man, learned the printer's trade, and for several years engaged in newspaper business at Wooster. Then with a partner he bought the Holmes County Republican at Millersburg, and continued active in newspaper work there until his death in 1897. The Holmes County Republican was subsequently changed to the Millersburg Republican, and

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finally to the Holmes County Hub, an independent republican newspaper. This newspaper in 1920 was awarded first prize in its class of Ohio papers by the journalistic department of Ohio State University.

Charles R. White was reared in Millersburg, was educated in the public schools, and learned the printer's trade in his father's plant. He succeeded his father as editor and publisher of the Millersburg Republican, and has subsequently changed its name to the Holmes County Hub.

Mr. White has been active in the republican party for a number of years. He has filled the office of postmaster for nine years. He was first appointed to that office by President Roosevelt. In April, 1921, he again took up the duties of this office under appointment by the late President Harding. In 1920 he was presidential elector for the Sixteenth Congressional District. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights Templar Masons and Knights of Pythias, is a member of the Rotary Club and the English Lutheran Church.

Mr. White married in 1898 Miss Bertha V. Mast, of Holmes County, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mast. Four children were born to their marriage: Howard A., Raymond M., Mary R., a student in Wittenberg College, and Lawrence M. The son Howard was a cadet in the Annapolis Naval Academy, but on account of ill health resigned after three years and subsequently took a course in journalism at Ohio State University.

Albert T. Cole, M. D., graduated in medicine thirty years ago. He has practiced almost continuously at Millersburg, the county seat of the county where he was born and reared. Doctor Cole is one of the able men in his profession, and specializes on diseases of the ear, nose and throat. He was born on a farm near Millersburg, July 5, 1872, son of Joseph and Etta (Snyder) Cole. His great-grandfather, Frederick Cole, was born either in Pennsylvania or Germany, and spent the greater part of his life in Pennsylvania. Thomas E. Cole, grandfather of Doctor Cole, was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and married Barbara Ackerman. They reared the following children: Sarah E., Hannah, John, Joseph H. and Jacob E. (twins), Elizabeth, Mary, Fannie, Thomas and Melissa, all of whom have passed away. The sons Joseph H., Jacob E. and Thomas were Union soldiers in the Civil war. Jacob was killed at the Battle of Champion Hill, and Thomas died of typhoid fever at Vicksburg. Joseph was in the army three years and four months, and returned without serious injury. He was for many years a faithful member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Joseph Cole, father of Doctor Cole, was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and was a child when brought to Ohio. He married in 1868 Miss Marietta Snyder, whose father, Reason Snyder, after coming to Holmes County, engaged in the milling business until he retired and moved to Wooster, Ohio, where he died in 1866. His widow is now seventy-seven years of age and lives in Cleveland with her son Joseph H. Joseph Cole was a republican in politics and a member of the English Lutheran Church. They had a family of three children: Altha B., now deceased; Joseph Harold Cole, banker of Cleveland; and Albert T.

Dr. Albert T. Cole spent the first twenty years of his life on the farm, attending district schools. He completed his education in the Millersburg public schools, graduating from high school, and for one term taught in a rural district, but in 1892 he entered Ohio Medical University, was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1895, and in 1896 completed the course and received his diploma from the New York Polyclinic.

During 1897 he was engaged in practice in Chicago, and then returned to Millersburg. He has endeavored to keep his ability and skill equal to the heavy demands made upon him, and has supplemented his experience by post-graduate studies. In 1905 he again attended the New York Polyclinic, and in 1922 attended the Illinois Post Graduate School at Chicago. While engaged in general practice of both medicine and surgery, he is one of the best equipped members of his profession at Millersburg in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He is a member of the County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Cole is a Master Mason, a member of the Rotary Club and the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married in 1896 Alice Cary. They have two sons, Warner C. and Allen A. The son Warner during 1918 spent five months at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station preparing for service in the World war.

Hugh S. Coble. A long, active and prosperous career at Steubenville, during which he has given his aid and encouragement to the management of the city's industries and enterprises, has made Hugh S. Coble one of the best known citizens of the community. He is identified with a number of Steubenville's activities, being secretary of the Jefferson Building & Savings Company, and in the various institutions with which he has been associated his labors have been invariably of a constructive character.

Mr. Coble was born at Leaviddsville, Carroll County, Ohio, May 23, 1850, but has been a resident of Steubenville since his second year, having been brought to this place in 1852 by his parents, Jacob and Jane (Sterling) Coble, the former of whom died in 1877 and the latter in September, 1875. His great-grandfather was of Pennsylvania Dutch descent. His maternal grandfather was Hugh Sterling, who came with his wife, Jane, from Ireland and first settled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Coble's mother was born. Later grandfather Sterling bought the property at Fourth and Adams streets, Steubenville, Ohio, which is now in the possession of his grandson, Mr. H. S. Coble.

Jacob Coble on coming to Steubenville in 1852 began an active career. A merchant by vocation, he built up one of the largest establishments of the community, was likewise prominent in all affairs of public interest, served on the school board and the City Council, and was a leading member and supporter of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, formerly known as Kramer Chapel. He and his wife were the parents of five children: Margaret, who married L. V. Brandenburg and has two children, William C. and Ottomer G.; Mary Hood, who is unmarried; Katherine, who married H. O. Hukill, and has one child, J. L.; Hugh S.; and Martha, who married Rev. W. D. Grace, and has one child, Frank S.

Hugh S. Coble following his graduation from the high school at Steubenville when sixteen years of age, entered his father's store as a clerk, and remained with the elder man as his associate until death claimed the founder of the business. The heirs subsequently selling the business, Mr. Coble then secured employment in the store of Winfield Scott, with whom he remained for eight years as cashier. For some time Mr. Coble had been interested in politics, and at this point in his career was elected county treasurer of Jefferson County, an office in which he served two full terms, followed by a term as deputy county treasurer under his successor. On leaving

the county office he became secretary of the Jefferson Building & Savings Company, of which he is also a director, and which company carries on an extensive building and loan business. He has remained in this capacity to the present, and is accounted one of the able business men of his community. He is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs also to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, the Chamber of Commerce, the Steubenville Country Club and the Century Club, in all of which he has numerous friends.

On October 2, 1872, Mr. Coble was united in marriage at Youngstown, Ohio, with Miss Mary Paine, daughter of O. D. Paine and Susan P. Mostelaur) Paine, both deceased. O. D. Paine was a prominent physician of Youngstown who died in 1910, his wife passing away in 1920. They were the parents of three children: Mary; Ida, who married Mr. Gulick; and Belle, who married Kenneth Reinholt, and had one child, Helen Paine. Mr. and Mrs. Coble had one son, the late Dwight Hukill Coble, who married Alice Bair, and had one son, Dwight Sterling, who is also deceased, although the widow survives.

Christian J. Fisher, attorney and banker at Millerburg, has been a prominent factor in the legal and civic affairs of that community for over thirty years.

He was born March 12, 1861, on a farm in Clark Township of Holmes County. That farm was also the birthplace of his father, and it was originally acquired by his grandparents, Jacob and Catherine Fisher, who came to Ohio from Pennsylvania. The parents of the Millersburg attorney were Jacob and Julianna (Deal) Fisher. Julianna Deal was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Joseph Deal, an early settler in Holmes County, Ohio. Jacob Fisher spent his active career as a farmer, and he served as a county commissioner from 1865 to 1871. He was a democrat in politics, and he and his wife were members of the United Brethren Church. Jacob Fisher died at the age of sixty-five, and his wife at forty-five. They reared the following children: Catherine and Naomi (both deceased), Jemimah, Lizzie Ann, Susanna, Mary Ellen, C. J. and Joseph.

Christian J. Fisher, only representative of the family now in Holmes County, grew up on the old homestead, attended the country schools, and finished his literary education in Ohio Northern University at Ada. For eight winter terms he taught in country schools, carrying on in the meantime his law studies in the office of Wellington & Stillwell at Millersburg. He was admitted to the bar in October, 1892, and steadily since that date has practiced at Millersburg.

Mr. Fisher was elected prosecuting attorney of Holmes County in 1902, and by reelection in 1905 served six years in the office, making a most creditable record. He is a democrat. In 1918 he resigned, after three years of service, as a state deputy supervisor of elections in order to enter a three-cornered fight for the democratic nomination for judge of the Court of Common Pleas. Mr. Fisher is a Master Mason and Knight of Pythias.

In 1889 he married Mrs. Minnie (Thompson) Wisard. Mr. Fisher was one of the organizers of the Farmers & Merchants Bank in 1904, and has been continuously secretary of that institution and also a director and attorney. He was one of the organizers of the Deposit, Building, Savings & Loan Company of Millersburg in 1893, and is director and attorney for that institution as well.

Hon. James Glenn, judge of the Common Pleas Court of Coshocton County, attained the qualifications of a practicing attorney in Ohio a third of a century ago. He is now in his second term on the bench, and his entire record has been in keeping with the character and service he has exemplified as a judge.

Judge Glenn was born on a farm just north of the City of Cambridge, in Guernsey County, Ohio, April 13, 1868. His family had been in Ohio for over a century. Three Glenn brothers came to this country from Scotland in Colonial times, and one of them, John Glenn, settled near Richmond, Virginia, where he lived all his life. His son, John Glenn, who married Nancy Cox, moved from Virginia to Washington County, Pennsylvania, and as early as 1814 moved over into Ohio, settling in Columbiana County, which was then receiving a large volume of Scotch-Irish migration from Pennsylvania and adjoining states. Joseph Glenn, a son of John and Nancy (Cox) Glenn, was born while the family lived in Pennsylvania, accompanied his father to Ohio, and married Anne Moore. After his marriage he moved to Cadiz in Harrison County, Ohio, and also lived in Noble County, but finally returned to Columbiana County, where he died.

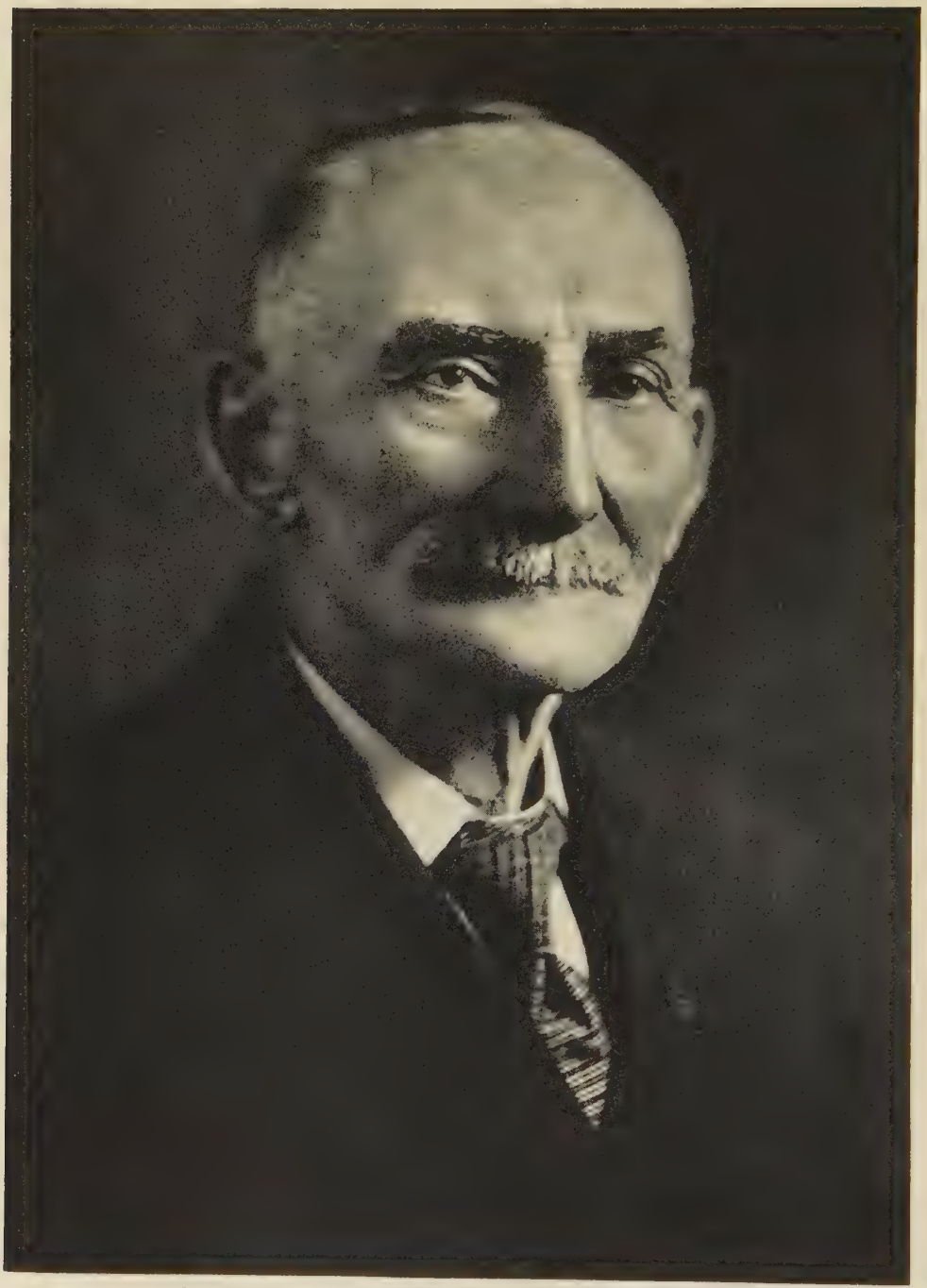
John Glenn, son of Joseph and Anne (Moore) Glenn, was born in Noble County, Ohio, and made a record of three years as a gallant soldier in the Civil war. He was in the Seventieth Ohio Infantry, was with Sherman on the March to the Sea, and following the close of the war he married Margaret Ferguson, a native of Guernsey County, Ohio, and daughter of James and Margaret Ferguson. James Ferguson came from Belfast, Ireland, to this country, bringing enough gold to buy a section of land in Guernsey County, where his subsequent life was devoted to farming. He was of Scotch-Irish ancestry. James Ferguson married Margaret Walters, whose father was William Walters and whose mother was a Miss Stutz. William Walters served as a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and descended from an old Pennsylvania Dutch family.

Judge James Glenn, one of four children, of John and Margaret (Ferguson) Glenn, was reared on a farm in Guernsey County, attended the common schools there, and finished his literary education in Muskingum College at New Concord. For three years he taught school, studied law in an office at Cambridge, was admitted to the bar at the age of twenty-one, and did his first work as a practicing attorney at New Concord, in Muskingum County. In 1891 he came to Coshocton, and soon earned a successful practice here.

Since early manhood he has been affiliated with the republican party. Though living in a normally democratic county, he was elected in 1896, on the republican ticket, a member of the Legislature, and subsequently was elected and served one term as prosecuting attorney. In 1916 he was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court, and was reelected in 1922, in that year achieving a real personal triumph on being elected on the republican ticket against an adverse democratic majority.

Judge Glenn married in 1891 Miss Emma Lee Lawyer, a native of Guernsey County. Seven children were born to their marriage, of whom six are living: Claire Alfreda; Ione, wife of Richard Bixler; Margaret, wife of Draper St. Clair, who was a soldier in home training camp during the World war; John Lawyer Glenn, who married Ann Reed, and during the World war was in the Officers' Training School when the armistice was signed; James Arthur and Annabel Lee. The other child, Emily, died at the age of nine years.

James Clarence Elder, M. D., is a practicing physician now located at Millersburg. Dr. James Clarence Elder represents the second generation of



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the family in the medical profession in Ohio. He is a son of the late Dr. William T. Elder. His grandfather, also William T. Elder, was a native of Pennsylvania, and was about fifteen years of age when he accompanied his mother to Holmes County, Ohio. They settled there about 1840, and William T. Elder reached the advanced age of ninety-one.

His son, Dr. William T. Elder, was born in Washington Township, Holmes County, was a graduate of the Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati, and for a quarter of a century was engaged in a general medical practice at Nashville, Ohio, where he died in 1903. Dr. William T. Elder married Sophrona Vance, who was born in Knox Township, Holmes County, Ohio, daughter of John and Mary (Hughes) Vance, and he was of Revolutionary ancestry.

Dr. James C. Elder, one of three children, was born at Nashville, Ohio, October 6, 1877. He was reared in his native town, was educated in the public schools, and attended one year at Wooster College. He attended high school at Columbus, Ohio, and then entered the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, where he was a student for two years, and finished his medical course in the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, where he remained for three years, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1904. Doctor Elder then returned to Nashville, Ohio, but since 1920 his home and offices have been in Millersburg. He is very proficient in general practice, and has had a heavy weight of professional responsibility. He has served as county coroner, and is a member of the Holmes County, Sixth District and State Medical societies. He is also a member of the County Board of Health. He is serving on the County School Board, is a democrat in politics, and a member of the Rotary Club, Knights of Pythias and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Doctor Elder was commissioned April 1, 1919, a captain in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army. He was very active in the different campaigns during the World war, and assisted both in a professional and a civic capacity in the various war campaigns. He has been president of the County Medical Society.

In 1905 Doctor Elder married Miss Pearl Drake. They are the parents of four sons: Guy P., Marion D., James C. and William T. Mrs. Elder was born in Holmes County, daughter of C. E. and Mary (Ullman) Drake.

Allie L. Schafer has the distinction of being the only woman ever elected to a public office in Holmes County. She has given a very efficient administration of the duties of county clerk, and has proved herself admirably qualified for the duties she now performs.

Mrs. Schafer was born in Shelby County, February 15, 1888, daughter of Charles J. and Carrie A. (Verdier) Frazier. Her parents were born in Ohio, the Fraziers being of Scotch ancestry. Charles J. Frazier was a farmer in Shelby County, but since 1911 he and his wife have lived at Millersburg, in Holmes County.

Mrs. Schafer was reared in her native county, attended public schools there, and after securing a teacher's license was teacher of music in the public schools of Shelby County during 1906-07. In 1908 she was married to William J. Shafer, a native of Shelby County, Ohio. Mr. Schafer was a son of Michael Schafer, a native of Germany, who came to this country at the age of sixteen. In 1911 Mr. and Mrs. Schafer came to Holmes County and located on a farm near Millersburg. At Millersburg Mr. Schafer became one of the industrious members of the rural district, and was prospering until his accidental death in 1915.

Mrs. Schafer at the time of her husband's death was left with four children, Thelma, Eileen, Wayne and Leland. In 1918 she moved to Millersburg, and in 1922 was nominated on the democratic ticket and elected as county clerk for a term of two years. Mrs. Schafer is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

George D. Newcomer was a faithful Union soldier during the greater part of the Civil war, and since the war has been actively identified with farming and other interests in Fulton County. He is now living retired in the City of Wauseon.

Mr. Newcomer was born in Holmes County, Ohio, April 15, 1844. His parents, John and Naomi (Debolt) Newcomer, were natives of Pennsylvania, where his father was born April 17, 1807, and his mother on February 14, 1814. They were married in Pennsylvania, and in 1837 moved to Holmes County, Ohio. In 1844 this family made another move, bringing them to what was then Lucas County, now Fulton County. They were among the first pioneers to break the wilderness in this section of the state. They made the journey from Holmes County with covered wagon, while the mother rode horseback, carrying her infant child, George D. Newcomer, in her arms. They made settlement just north of Wauseon, and the father cleared and developed a farm there, on which he lived until his death on April 23, 1890. The mother passed away in 1886. Both were very active members of the Methodist Church, and John Newcomer was the first candidate for Masonic honors in the Wauseon Lodge of Masons. He afterward served as treasurer of the lodge a number of years, and held the office of master in the York Rite. He was a democrat in politics, and held the office of justice of the peace.

George D. Newcomer is the only survivor of six children. He grew up on a farm and attended the common schools. He was seventeen years old when the war began, and he enlisted in Company D of the Eighty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Subsequently he was transferred to Company D of the Eighty-seventh Infantry. He was captured at Harpers Ferry, but was paroled, and in 1863 enlisted in the Eighty-sixth Ohio Infantry. He was with that regiment six months, being discharged, and in 1864 joined the One Hundred and Eighty-second Ohio Infantry, serving until the close of the war. He was a first sergeant.

When the war was over he returned to Fulton County and engaged in farming. In 1869 he married Miss Clarissa Poorman, and they settled on a farm two miles north of Wauseon. His wife died in 1875. One son, Frank M., was born to this union. In 1876 Mr. Newcomer married Miss Malinda Mikesell. The three children of this marriage are Ethel, Guy and Mary. Their mother died in 1902. Subsequently Mr. Newcomer married Louisa A. Cornell.

He has been commander of the Wauseon Grand Army Post. He is active in the Methodist Church, is affiliated with Wauseon Lodge No. 349, Free and Accepted Masons; Wauseon Chapter No. 111, Royal Arch Masons; Council No. 68, Royal and Select Masters; Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar, and the Scottish Rite Consistory in the Valley of Toledo. He filled all the offices of the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council. He is a republican, and served as township trustee six years and as county commissioner seven years. His home in Wauseon is at 254 Depot Street.

William F. Cary, funeral director at Millersburg, has been one of the conspicuously influential men in his profession in Ohio and is president of the State Board of Embalmer Examiners.

Mr. Cary was born January 31, 1863, son of George W. and Jane (Pinkerton) Cary, his father a native of Holmes County and his mother of Wayne County. George W. Cary was born in Millersburg, June 23, 1824, son of John and Susan (Gibson) Cary. John Cary was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, of Scotch ancestry, and became one of the very early settlers of Holmes County, Ohio, coming here before the Indians had left their homes in the wilderness. He helped to build the first substantial courthouse in Holmes County. He reached the good old age of seventy-five.

George W. Cary attained to the age of eighty-one. He was a merchant, and when the Civil war came on he sold out and in after years was "a street broker," lending money. He was a democrat in politics, and was a liberal supporter of the Methodist Church, of which the Carys have been members for a number of generations. The wife of George Cary died at the age of seventy-six, and they had a family of seven sons and one daughter.

William F. Cary grew up at Millersburg, and that town has been his home practically without interruption since childhood. He was educated in the public schools, and in 1892 engaged in the undertaking business. He is a graduate of the Cincinnati College of Embalming, also the Columbus Training School of Embalmers, and of the Cleveland School of Embalmers, and was engaged in post-graduate study at the Chicago College of Embalmers. He has held all the offices in the State Funeral Directors' Association, and is serving his fifth term of three years each as member of the Ohio State Board of Embalmer Examiners, being president of the board. In this capacity his name has become known in his profession throughout Ohio.

Mr. Cary is a democrat in politics, and has served eight years on the Millersburg City Council, and has held various minor offices. He is a member of the National Funeral Directors' Association and the National Conference Board of Embalmers.

Mr. Cary is a Knight Templar Mason, having filled various chairs in the different bodies of the order, and is past eminent commander of the Knights Templar Commandery No. 48 at Wooster, Ohio. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias and the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1885 Mr. Cary married Miss Mary Lemmon. They have one daughter, Mildred, now the wife of D. D. Miller, a manufacturer at Canton, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have a son, David D.

Clyde C. Miller, county treasurer of Holmes County, was only twenty-eight years of age when elected to that office. He has made an admirable record in public office, and is a member of one of the older families of the county.

He was born on a farm in Holmes County, February 8, 1892, son of William O. and Lucy A. (Martin) Miller. His father was born August 9, 1868, son of John H. and Sydney L. (Kerr) Miller. His grandparents came to Ohio from Pennsylvania. William O. Miller was engaged in farming and stock dealing until 1912, and was also active in the affairs of the Washington Township Insurance Company of Holmes County. He then served two terms of two years each in county office, and still makes his home at Millersburg, where he is engaged in business as a dealer in live stock, real estate and insurance. Clyde C. Miller spent his early life on the farm, acquired a high school education, and attended commercial college. He acquired his familiarity with the routine of the county treasurer's office as deputy under his father. Then, in 1920, he was elected to that office on the democratic ticket, and in 1922 was reelected, his present term expiring in 1924.

Mr. Miller is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Maccabees, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. He married in 1918 Miss Wilda M. Badger, of Holmes County, daughter of Dr. William Badger of Millersburg.

Scott V. Mast, former deputy county treasurer, and now deputy auditor of Holmes County, was born in that county and represents a pioneer family in that section of Ohio.

He was born at Berlin, Holmes County, March 31, 1877, son of Joseph A. and Ellen E. (Hitchcock) Mast, and grandson of Abraham and Sarah (Beechy) Mast. Abraham Mast was born in Pennsylvania, of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. The founder of the family in Ohio was Jacob Mast, father of Abraham. He was an early settler in the eastern part of Holmes County. Joseph A. Mast was born in Holmes County, learned the wagon makers' trade, and for eight years he and his wife were superintendent and matron of the Children's Home of Holmes County. He then engaged in the musical instrument business at Millersburg, but is now retired. He is seventy and his wife is sixty-six years of age. He has always voted the democratic ticket, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Church, though the earlier members of the Mast family were Mennonites. Ellen E. Hitchcock was born near the Village of Berlin, in Holmes County, daughter of John and Ruth (Rainsberg) Hitchcock. Her father was born in Harrison County, Ohio, but lived most of his life in Holmes County.

Joseph A. Mast and wife had two children, Scott V. and Nellie, the latter the wife of W. G. Lerch, of Akron. Scott V. Mast spent the first eighteen years of his life on his father's farm. He attended the public schools and Wooster Business College, and for eight years was employed as a clerk in Millersburg. Since then he has given most of his time to public service. For six years he was deputy county treasurer, and in 1910 was elected county auditor, holding that office two terms of two years each. He was elected on the democratic ticket. After leaving the county office he was deputy internal revenue collector in the Northern District of Ohio for three years, continuing to reside in Millersburg. He resigned this office in the Federal Government to become deputy county auditor in 1919, and has filled that position in the courthouse for the past five years.

Mr. Mast is a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, and a Methodist. He married in 1902 Miss Helen E. Smith, daughter of James A. and Isabelle Smith. They have one son, Lyman C., born in 1907.

Alexander C. McDonald, postmaster of the City of Coshocton, has in varied forms of usefulness contributed his character and activities to that city and county for over forty years. He has been one of the very successful men in educational affairs in the county and is also a former sheriff.

Mr. McDonald was born on a farm in Virginia Township of Coshocton County, April 14, 1860, son of William T. and Jane (McClanahan) McDonald. His parents were born in Muskingum County, but spent the greater part of their lives in Coshocton County, where his father was a substantial farmer and highly respected citizen.

One of a family of seven children, Alexander C. McDonald grew up in a rural environment, attended country schools and had two years of college instruction, first at Antioch and then at Wooster College. He was only eighteen when he did his first teaching in public schools. Altogether thirty-six years of his life has been spent in teaching, either in country schools or as principal of town schools. His longest

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connection with any one community was with the Roscoe School, where he served a total of thirteen years as principal. Mr. McDonald has been more or less closely affiliated with the republican party in Coshocton County since early manhood. In 1908 the republicans nominated him for the office of sheriff, and at the polls in the regular election he overcame a normal democratic majority of several hundred votes, giving him election to the office. In 1910 he was reelected for a second term of two years. He left this office with an enviable record of efficiency in every department and exigency of duty. Early in his term as sheriff he established his home in Coshocton and has lived there ever since. After his term as sheriff he engaged in the life and general insurance business, but was again recalled to the principalship of the village schools of Roscoe. He was there five and one-half years, and in August, 1923, was made postmaster of Coshocton.

Mr. McDonald is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he and his wife are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married in 1884 Miss Jennie Finnell. They are the parents of two children: Newton G. and Blanche McDonald.

THADDEUS LEMERT MONTGOMERY. From the point of continuous experience one of the oldest bankers in Central Ohio is Thaddeus Lemert Montgomery, of Coshocton. In 1887, thirty-seven years ago, soon after leaving university, he began employment with the Franklin National Bank at Newark. Ten years later, with Melville Q. Baker, he moved to Coshocton and the two organized the present Coshocton National Bank. Mr. Baker is still president of this institution, one of the most prosperous and strongest banks in the county. Mr. Montgomery was cashier from the opening of the bank on March 1, 1898, until 1916, since which year he has held the executive office of vice president. Three generations of the Montgomery family have lived in Ohio. Mr. Montgomery's grandfather, a native of County Tyrone, Ireland, on coming to the United States, settled in Licking County, Ohio, and lived out his life there. He reared a family of five sons and two daughters, the son Henry A. Montgomery having been born and reared in Licking County. Moving to Muskingum County, he married Mary E. Lemert, a native of that locality, and they lived for a long period of years on a farm there, finally moving to Newark. Henry A. Montgomery and his wife were each eighty-six years of age when they died, and they had enjoyed a singularly long married conpanionship, living to celebrate their sixty-third wedding anniversary. Henry Montgomery was a soldier of the Union army in the Civil war, being a lieutenant in an Ohio company of infantry under Captain Little. For many years he was identified with the Grand Army of the Republic, and in politics was a staunch republican. He and his wife reared four sons and three daughters.

Thaddeus Lemert Montgomery was born on the home farm in Muskingum County, July 3, 1868. He and the other children were given superior educational advantages, all of them attending some institution of collegiate rank. In addition to banking he has other business connections, and he has also regarded it as one of his personal obligations to give time and work to the public welfare. He has been for several years a trustee of the Public Library of Coshocton, and is chairman of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church. A republican, he has never sought or held a public office.

Mr. Montgomery married Miss Allie Toland in 1900. Her father, Rev. J. W. Toland, was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Three sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery: Benjamin F., Edward E. and John T. Montgomery. The son Benjamin F. was in training as a soldier at Camp Sherman during the World war.

LLOYD SANFORD LEECH. With an active membership in the Coshocton County bar for a dozen years, Lloyd Sanford Leech, who served two terms as prosecuting attorney, represents a family that has been established in honorable station in that section of Ohio for four generations.

Mr. Leech was born on a farm in Mill Creek Township of Coshocton County, February 17, 1887, son of Thomas and Rebecca (Keehn) Leech. His great-grandfather, Robert Leech, a native of Pennsylvania and of English descent, was the founder of the family in the wilderness of Ohio in what was then Coshocton County. His son, George Leech, was also a native of Pennsylvania, and was a boy when they came to Ohio. Thomas Leech, son of George, was born on the old homestead farm in Mill Creek Township, in 1849, and devoted a busy life to agriculture. He died in his native county in 1916, at the age of sixty-seven. His wife, Rebecca Keehn, was born in Coshocton County, in 1858, and died in 1919, aged sixty-one. Her father, Frederick Keehn, a native of Saxony, Germany, was a boy when his parents came to the United States and established the home of the family in Coshocton County.

One of a family of seven children, six of whom are living, Lloyd Sanford Leech spent his boyhood days on an Ohio farm, and his early lessons were acquired in a country district school. He also attended the high school at Keene, and as a means of defraying the expenses of his own higher education he taught in country districts four and a half years. Mr. Leech took his law course at Ohio Northern University at Ada, and graduated with his law diploma in June, 1912. The same month he was admitted to the Ohio bar, and since that date has been achieving a reputation as a Coshocton attorney, a reputation now by no means consigned to his native county. He served four years as deputy county treasurer, and was prosecuting attorney for two terms, from 1919 to 1923.

Mr. Leech is a Democrat in politics. He is a Presbyterian, is a Knight Templar Mason, Odd Fellow and Knight of Pythias. He married in 1915 Miss May Bouvier, of Washington County, Pennsylvania. They have one son, Warren Thomas Leech.

DAVID B. MILLER has been identified with the industrial affairs of the little City of Hicksville in Defiance County for a long period of years. He is proprietor of the Miller Manufacturing Company there.

He was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, February 15, 1857, son of David and Letetia (Gault) Miller, both natives of Lancaster County. She was his second wife. David Miller was born in 1800 and his wife in 1820. He was a democrat, and they were members of the Presbyterian Church. Their four children were: Alice, of Wooster, Ohio, widow of John Martin; David B.; Susan, who died when sixteen years old; Charity, wife of Wilbur Griffith, of Honey Brook, Pennsylvania.

David B. Miller spent his early life on the farm and acquired a public school education in Pennsylvania. He served a three years' apprenticeship at the blacksmith's trade, and had a sound training in mechanics. This training, supplemented by his native business ability, has made him successful in his affairs. In 1879 he came to Hicksville, Ohio, and established a small factory for the manufacture of handles, and has made the Miller Manufacturing Company an important local industry. At the present time his son is associated with him in the business.

In 1880 Mr. Miller married Miss Charlotte Maxwell, daughter of James Maxwell. They are active members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is one of the trustees in the church. He is affiliated with Hicksville Lodge Knights of Pythias, is a democrat, and a member of the Town Council and Water Works Board.

Mr. Miller is vice president of the First National Bank of Hicksville, the other officers being George D. Simmons, president; George B. Wilderson, cashier; and J. C. Wilderson, Frank Miller, Rev. Mr. Lilley, H. D. Rank, L. E. Griffin, Carl Hart, Peter Walter, E. W. Crook and Jacob Hook, directors.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller have four children: Nellie, a graduate of high school and the wife of William Edwards, of Chicago; James D., associated with the business at Hicksville, who married Ethel Kahill; Fay, a graduate of high school and wife of Walter Ferris, of Hicksville; and Amy, wife of Paul Brown, of Chicago.

Seth M. Snyder, former postmaster of Coshocton, has been identified with the business and political life of that city and county nearly forty years. There is probably no better or more favorably known citizen of Coshocton than Mr. Snyder.

He was born there December 24, 1869. His grandfather, George Snyder, a native of Pennsylvania, came to Coshocton in early days, and was a volunteer soldier with the Ohio troops in the Mexican war. His son, Samuel Wesley Snyder, was born in the town of Keene, Coshocton County, in 1840, and for fifty years was in business as a buyer of furs, and also in earlier years was a harness and saddle maker and a merchant at Coshocton. He died in 1921, when more than four score years of age. His wife, Sarah Maxwell, was born in Coshocton County, and passed away when sixty-seven. Their three children are: George M., a resident of California; Seth M.; and Alice M., who graduated in medicine from the University of Michigan and is now the wife of Dr. Hugh C. Thompson of New York City.

Seth M. Snyder grew up in Coshocton, attended the public schools in that city, and was seventeen years old when he began his active business experience in the retail grocery business at Coshocton. Along with business he cultivated an interest in politics and civic affairs. For a number of years he was one of the leaders in the republican party in this county, being a member of the County Central Committee, and for a time was chairman of the Executive Committee. In 1906 President Roosevelt appointed him postmaster at Coshocton, and he was reappointed in 1911 by President Taft. The nine years he served as postmaster marked a progressive administration and many improvements and additional facilities to the postal service at the county seat and all the rural routes radiating out of Coshocton.

For a number of years Mr. Snyder has been more or less actively interested in the real estate business, and since leaving the office of postmaster has devoted all his time to that work. He married in 1893 Miss Laura C. Coe, of Coshocton. They have a family of four children.

Lister Pomerene, M. D. While in the present generation at least the name of Atlee Pomerene is the most distinguished of this family in Ohio, due to the many honors paid him in politics and public life, there have been many other members of the family in its different branches in Ohio who have gone far in attainments and in exceptional work and usefulness in the professional careers of the law and medicine. Lister Pomerene is a son of a late honored Ohio physician, and two of his brothers are likewise members of the medical calling. Of his brothers and also of his father, the late Dr. Peter P. Pomerene, more extended mention is made elsewhere in this publication.

Dr. Lister Pomerene was born in the town of Berlin, Holmes County, November 26, 1867. He grew up there, attending public schools, spent three years as a student at Wooster College, and in 1888 was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts Degree from Princeton University. Three years later Princeton conferred upon him the degree Master of Arts. Doctor Pomerene prepared for his profession as a student in Columbus Medical College, in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College of New York, and in 1891, at the age of twenty-four, graduated Doctor of Medicine from the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville.

His time and thought and energies for over thirty years have been devoted to the work of medicine and surgery, and he has come to rank among the skillful men of his profession in Central Ohio. For fourteen years he practiced in his native town of Berlin. Since 1905 his home has been at Coshocton, where he has been very busy with an extensive practice. He has taken several post-graduate courses in various institutions, including the Post Graduate School of Medicine of Chicago. He is a member of the Coshocton County and Ohio State Medical associations.

In politics, like other members of the Pomerene family, he is a democrat, but has never had any political aspirations. He married Miss Laura G. Whiteley, who was born at Sombra in the province of Ontario, Canada.

Auguste Rhu, M. D. While Ohio has many eminent surgeons, perhaps none has a longer record of notable work in that field than Auguste Rhu of Marion, where he has practiced forty years. His attainments brought him an early election as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

He was born in Seneca County, Ohio, April 5, 1849, and was liberally educated, attending high school at Dayton, Notre Dame University at South Bend, Indiana, and at Marion he studied medicine under Dr. Robert L. Sweney, whose daughter he married. He graduated in 1885 from Western Reserve University, Medical Department, Cleveland, Ohio, and his individual success has brought him association with many world famous men in his profession. He was elected a member of the American College of Surgeons in 1913. Doctor Rhu has been engaged in practice at Marion since February, 1885, and he handled the surgical cases of several of the large industrial corporations in that city.

Doctor Rhu, in his early practice filled the chair of professor of Surgical Pathology in Ohio Medical University at Columbus, at one time was president of the State Pension Board, is a member of the American Association of Railway Surgeons, was three different times elected president of the Marion County Medical Society, was assistant secretary in 1892-93 of the Ohio State Medical Society. Through his reports and addresses Doctor Rhu has contributed the benefits of his wide and unusually successful experience as a surgeon to the world at large, and the profession knows him chiefly through his individual writings and reports of his work. He has the distinction of performing the first successful laparotomy in Marion County in 1888, and in a period of forty years he performed 3,000 abdominal operations, the death rate less than one per cent, and a large number of cranial operations with recovery. Soon after America entered the World war he was made a member of the Federal District Draft Board No. 3, and was accepted as a surgeon in the Medical Reserve Corps. He is a member of the Electro-Therapeutic Society. Doctor Rhu has always found his chief recreation in music,

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of which he is passionately fond. He is a York and Scottish Rite, Thirty-second Degree, Mason, a member of the Kiwanis Club, a past exalted ruler of his lodge of Elks, and has served as president of the Marion Carnegie Public Library.

Doctor Auguste Rhu married, July 7, 1875, Miss Helen S. Sweney, who was born in Marion County in 1853, and died March 29, 1908.

Doctor Robert L. Sweney, her father, deserves a place among Ohio's distinguished men of medicine and surgery during the last century. He was born in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1822, but was reared in Crawford County, Ohio, completed his course in the Cleveland Medical College in 1849, and in 1851 located at Marion. He was called the founder of the Marion County Medical Society, which was organized in 1877, and of which he was president seven years. He was commissioned surgeon of the Forty-third Ohio Infantry during the Civil war, and at the close of the war was made military examining surgeon for Marion County with the rank of major. His professional claim rested upon his achievement as a surgeon and gynecologist. One publication gives him the credit of being the first Ohio surgeon to successfully reduce a retroverted uterus. He died at Marion January 12, 1902. His wife was Elizabeth C. Concklin, oldest daughter of Col. W. W. Concklin. She was the first girl from Marion County to receive a collegiate education, being a graduate of the Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Ladies' Seminary.

Dr. H. S. Rhu, son of Dr. Auguste Rhu and grandson of Dr. Robert L. Sweney, was born at Marion, November 17, 1876, and for a number of years has been associated with his father in handling an extensive surgical practice. He was educated in the Marion public schools, in Kenyon Military Academy, Western Reserve Academy, and graduated in medicine from Western Reserve University in June, 1899. For a number of years his experience was largely in the field of tuberculosis. For two years he was an interne in the Lakeside Hospital at Cleveland, and for several years was in the West and Southwest, being a member of the staff of the Texas Sanatorium, a resident physician of the Tuberculosis Hospital at Llano, Texas, resident physician in the Cragmore Sanitarium at Colorado Springs, and medical director of Dr. Boyd Cornick at San Angelo, Texas. During the World war he served as first lieutenant at Camp Jackson, Columbia, South Carolina. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. In 1924 he was elected secretary of the Marion County Medical Society, and had formerly served as its president, and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations, the Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. He is a Knights Templar Mason and a Presbyterian.

Dr. H. S. Rhu married in June, 1913, Miss Lucy A. White, daughter of J. Herbert White, a wholesale and retail book and stationery dealer in Buffalo, New York. The children born to their marriage are: H. Switzer, born August 6, 1914, Roger Williams, born June 17, 1916, and Helen Louise, born July 28, 1920.

Alexander Alfred Crump, Jr., M. D. The community of Millersburg and Holmes County was honored by, and holds in grateful memory, two men bearing the name Alexander Alfred Crump, father and son, both able members of the medical profession, who gave the best that was in them to a vocation that is one of the noblest among human pursuits.

The father was born in Maryland, near Baltimore, September 13, 1821, third of the nine children of Alfred and Margaret (Walter) Crump. Alfred Crump was a carriage maker by trade, served as a soldier in the War of 1812, and about 1833 came to Ohio. He lived many years at Millersburg, where he died when ninety-two years of age.

Alexander Alfred Crump, Sr., was about twelve years of age when he came to Ohio. He spent his early years at Baltimore, in West Virginia and in Ohio, and acquired a good literary education, becoming familiar with both the English and German languages. When he was twenty years old he took up the study of medicine with Dr. John Dellenbaugh, read under his direction for three years, and then practiced with his preceptor for one year. He practiced two years at Wooster, Ohio, and then located permanently at Millersburg, where he continued his work until old age, and finally passed away at the age of eighty-six. His first wife was Sarah Kelly, of Ashland County, Ohio, who became the mother of Alexander A. Crump, Jr. His second wife was Nancy Venousdal, who became the mother of six children.

Dr. Alexander Alfred Crump, Jr., was born at Millersburg, May 20, 1850, and he was an exemplary member of the medical profession for half a century. He was reared at Millersburg, was educated in the public schools at that place and at Louisville Academy, Stark County, Ohio, and studied medicine with his father, riding with him in his long country drives and getting a practical knowledge of the duties of practice. He started his work as a practicing physician in 1872, and subsequently Wooster Medical College awarded him the degree of Doctor of Medicine. This college was subsequently merged with the Medical Department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland. Doctor Crump is remembered as a physician and friend, kind and sympathetic, working with little thought of reward, and true to the best ideals of the profession. He was a member of the Holmes County and Ohio State Medical societies.

Doctor Crump died January 26, 1922, when seventy-two years of age. He was a democrat, but never thought of political office. His first wife was Lydia Korns, of Berlin, Ohio. She died twelve years after their marriage. His second wife was Mary D. Happer, a native of Holmes County and daughter of John and Margaret J. (Beymer) Happer. Her father was born in Belmont County, Ohio, and her mother, in Guernsey, Ohio. Doctor Crump had no children by either marriage, but he and his second wife reared a nephew, who died when twenty-three years of age.

Carey B. Parker, M. D., one of the prominent physicians and surgeons of the younger generation in Paulding County, is here established in successful general practice at Antwerp. The doctor was born on a farm in York Township, Van Wert County, Ohio, March 18, 1895, and is a son of Albert J. and Mary E. (Tracy) Parker, both likewise natives of the Buckeye State, the former having been born September 8, 1861, in Hocking County, and the latter having been born June 13, 1864, in Van Wert County. Albert J. Parker was a boy at the time of the family removal to Van Wert County, where he was reared on the home farm and received the advantages of the public schools of the period. He and his wife still reside on their fine homestead farm in that county, and both are zealous members of the Church of God. Mr. Parker is a democrat in politics and was at one time trustee of his township. Mr. Parker's first wife bore to him two sons and one daughter, and both sons are deceased, the daughter, Sylvia May, being the wife of Earl C. Hoghe. The children of the second marriage are two sons and two daughters: Pearl is the wife of W. B. Johnson, of Ohio City, Van Wert County; Dr. Carey B., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Donald L., a former student in the Agricultural College of the Ohio State University, is a representative of farm

enterprise in Van Wert County; and Miss Florence B. now resides at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Doctor Parker passed his childhood and early youth on the home farm, and in the meanwhile made good use of the advantages afforded in the district schools. Thereafter he was graduated from the Van Wert High School, and he then entered the Ohio State University, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1919 and with the degree of Bachelor of Science. In the medical department of the university he was graduated in 1921 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He was in service as a member of the Army Training School maintained at the university in the World war period, and was duly mustered into the United States Army. After receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he gave seven months of service as an interne in the City Hospital of Springfield, Ohio, and on the 8th of February, 1922, he established his residence at Antwerp, where he has built up a substantial general practice. The doctor is a popular member of the Paulding County Medical Society, and is a member also of the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is found aligned in the ranks of the democratic party, he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he is affiliated with Antwerp Lodge No. 335, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, as well as with the Phi Rho Sigma College fraternity and with the American Legion, Cottrell Boylan Post No. 253 of Antwerp.

February 16, 1922, recorded the marriage of Doctor Parker and Miss Estel May Cripps, and their fine little son, Jack Basil, was born December 24, 1922.

Edgar O. Selby. With only moderate advantages in youth and early manhood Edgar O. Selby, who has been a resident of Coshocton forty-five years, has achieved a successful business career and has been closely identified with the material upbuilding and progress of this Ohio city.

He was born at Spring Mountain, Coshocton County, May 30, 1857, son of Joseph Benson and Isabel (Sturgeon) Selby. His father was born in the State of Delaware, and his life record was one of prominent association with education. Coming to Ohio when a young man, he taught school, and in Knox County met and married Isabel Sturgeon. From Knox County they moved to Coshocton County, settling at Spring Mountain, where for many years flourished Spring Mountain Academy. Joseph Benson Selby became president of that institution in 1859, and continued in that position until 1865. During the Civil war the enrollment of students was greatly reduced, and in the face of financial adversities Mr. Selby gave up the enterprise as unprofitable and in 1865 removed to Iowa. He located at Centerville, and subsequently removed to a farm nearby, but continued the work of teaching until his death, which occurred at the age of sixty years. Of the five children reared by him and his wife Edgar O. of Coshocton is the only one living in Ohio.

Mr. Selby was eight years of age when his parents moved out to Iowa. His advantages were limited to the common schools of that state. As a youth he clerked behind the counters in the general store in Centerville, and was also bookkeeper in a bank there. With the limited capital represented by his savings carefully accumulated he returned to Ohio at the age of twenty-one and soon became a member of the mercantile firm of Sturgeon & Selby, which was succeeded by Selby, Moore & Caton. For many years this was one of the leading commercial concerns of Coshocton. In addition to his interests there as a merchant Mr. Selby was for fifteen years treasurer of the American Art Works of Coshocton, and was one of the organizers and directors of the Coshocton National Bank, which opened for business early in 1898. He has been continuously a member of its board of directors. Probably no other citizen of Coshocton has done more as a builder, and he is entitled to a high degree of credit for the development of extensive real estate holdings, including the erection of many residences and business houses. He built in 1895 the Selby Building, in which he still has his offices. He has also been interested in a number of industrial enterprises.

His career has been one of strictly practical effort along business lines, without participation in politics beyond passing his vote as a republican. Since early boyhood he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which his wife is a member. He served many years on the official board as a trustee of the church in Coshocton. He is a member in long and honorable standing of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

He married in 1882 Miss Mary Cantwell, who was born and reared at Coshocton, a member of one of the early and highly respected families of the city, and a teacher in the public schools at the time of her marriage. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah Cantwell. Mr. and Mrs. Selby became the parents of three children and have three grandchildren. Their older son, Frank B. Selby, is now connected with the United States Steel Corporation at Gary, Indiana. The other son, Edgar C. Selby, is in the real estate and building business at Gary. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the National Army, and was in training at Atlanta, Georgia. The only daughter, Mary, is the widow of Hugh Rogers, and her three children are: Robert Selby, David Gordon and Marian Rogers.

Edmund Cone Carr, M. D. For more than three-quarters of a century the name Carr has borne honorable distinctions in connection with the medical profession in Coshocton County. The first of the name to practice medicine in the county was the late Dr. James G. Carr. He rounded out sixty years in the profession. For half a century Edmund Cone Carr has been a Doctor of Medicine, more than forty years engaged in practice in the City of Coshocton. A third generation is now represented in the medical profession, though not in Ohio.

The late Dr. James G. Carr was born in Ashtabula County, March 19, 1825, son of Rev. Thomas and Orpha (Seward) Carr. The Carrs are an old Virginia family, coming from Pennsylvania. Rev. Thomas Carr, father of James C. Carr, was born either in Pennsylvania or Virginia, and was one of the pioneer circuit riding Methodist ministers in Ohio. His home was finally established in Portage County. Dr. James G. Carr was reared in Portage County, attending public schools, and studied medicine under Dr. Andrew Bassett at Rootstown in Portage County. It was in the year 1849 that he began his practice in the northern part of Coshocton County. His was a busy career, and as a hard working physician he attended homes far and wide over that territory for thirty-five years. In 1884 he moved to the city of Coshocton, and continued more or less active in the work of his vocation until death called him on October 21, 1910, when he passed away at the age of eighty-five years. He was a soldier of the Union army during the Civil war, going out as a first lieutenant in the medical section in the One Hundred and Sixty-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. In 1864 he was made assistant surgeon in the Twenty-sixth Ohio Infantry, and as such served until the end of the war, receiving his honorable discharge in the fall of 1865. For many years he was a faithful member of the Grand Army of the Republic, was a staunch republican, and he and his

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wife were active in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The first wife of Dr. James G. Carr was Eliza Bond, who died at the early age of twenty-five, leaving one child, Edmund Cone. In 1858 Dr. James G. Carr married Elizabeth Storer, but there were no children of this union. Dr. James G. Carr spent the latter days of his life at the home of his son.

Edmund Cone Carr was born at New Guilford in Coshocton County, April 17, 1850, but grew up in the northern section of the county. He attended the common schools, graduated from Mount Union College in 1872, and in 1875 received his diploma in medicine from the Medical Department of Wooster University. In the meantime he had had three years of experience as a country school teacher. Doctor Carr first practiced medicine at Holmesville in Holmes County, but since 1881 has been identified with professional work in Coshocton. He is now the oldest in point of service among the physicians and surgeons of the county, and his rank in skill and professional ability is in proportion to the years of his practice. He has always been a thorough student, and for about fifteen years has annually taken post-graduate work in various institutions. A general practitioner, he has become perhaps best known through his skill in handling children's diseases. Doctor Carr is a member of the Coshocton County Medical Society, the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

The only public office he ever held was nine years on the Coshocton City School Board. He votes as a republican, is a Methodist and a Knight Templar Mason. Doctor Carr married in 1875 Miss Anna Mary Jack, a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Doctor and Mrs. Carr were happily married for nearly forty-seven years, their companionship being broken with her death on February 28, 1922. They reared five children. Of these the son James G. Carr is now a successful physician practicing medicine in Chicago. The daughter Eliza is the wife of Rev. L. N. D. Wells, pastor of the Disciples Church at Dallas, Texas. Miss Emma is professor of chemistry in Mount Holyoke College, the oldest higher institution of learning for women in the United States. Miss Grace Imogene lives at home with her father. The youngest child is Edmund Cone Carr, Jr., of Cleveland.

George Tryon Harding, M. D. The father of the late President Harding celebrated his eightieth birthday on June 12, 1924. He has been a resident of Marion more than forty years, and he began the practice of medicine more than half a century ago.

He was born in Morrow County, Ohio, June 12, 1844. The Hardings were among the pioneer settlers along the north edge of Morrow County, in the vicinity of the village of Blooming Grove, where Amos Harding located about 1818, his sons Ebenezer, George and Salmon following in the next two or three years. The village of Blooming Grove was laid out by Salmon Harding and George Tryon Harding, Sr. The parents of Doctor Harding were Charles Alexander and Mary A. (Crawford) Harding. The original form of the family name was Harodene and the ancestry of the Hardings runs back thirteen hundred years. The father of Mary A. Crawford was a first cousin of the mother of Jefferson Davis, and the Crawfords were also related to Alexander Stephens.

George Tryon Harding attended public schools in Morrow County, the old Ohio Central College at the Village of Iberia in Morrow County, and also Ontario Academy. During the Civil war he enlisted in the Ninety-sixth Ohio Infantry, but was taken ill in Kentucky and returning home after his recovery, he enlisted as a musician in Company I of the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Ohio and served with the Army of the Potomac in the defense of Washington. After the war he studied medicine, and in 1870 began its practice under a certificate from the Northwestern Ohio Medical Society. He did his early work as a physician at Blooming Grove. In 1873 he was graduated from the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College, following which he practiced at Caledonia, Ohio, until 1882, when he removed to Marion. Doctor Harding served as medical examiner of Cooper Post No. 117, Grand Army of the Republic, at Marion, for over twenty years, was medical examiner of the Ohio State Department of the Grand Army of the Republic, and has been supreme medical examiner for the national organization. He was at one time supreme medical examiner and also supreme commander of the Independent Order of the Red Cross. He is a member of the Marion County, Ohio State and National Homeopathic societies, has been president of the Board of Pension Examiners for sixteen years. He has been affiliated with the Baptist Church since the age of fourteen.

Doctor Harding married in 1864 Miss Phoebe Elizabeth Dickerson, of Morrow County. The father was of English stock, while the mother, who was a Van Kirk, was of Holland Dutch ancestry, and they were natives of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, respectively. Mrs. Harding died May 29, 1910. His second wife was Mary Alice Severns, daughter of Oscar and Mary Severns, of Marion County. The six children of Doctor Harding were: Warren Gamaliel, the twenty-ninth president of the United States; Charity, now Mrs. E. E. Remsburg, living at Santa Ana, California; Mary, deceased, who for over twenty years was a teacher in the State School for the Blind at Columbus; Daisy, superintendent of the Grand Avenue School at Marion; Caroline, wife of Rev. Heber Votaw, of Washington, D. C.; and Dr. George T., Jr., a physician practicing at Columbus, and has the Harding Rural Rest Room at Worthington, Ohio.

Ansel C. Sherrard, M. D., residing in the Village of Oakwood, Paulding County, controls a substantial general practice, the scope and character of which betoken alike his professional ability and his secure place in popular confidence and esteem. Doctor Sherrard was born at Gilboa, Putnam County, Ohio, November 23, 1858, and is a son of William R. and Mary (Caddy) Sherrard, both likewise natives of the old Buckeye State, where the respective families were founded in the pioneer days. William R. Sherrard was born in Muskingum County in 1824 and his wife was born in Allen County in 1833. Mr. Sherrard was a boy at the time of the family removal to Gilboa, Putnam County, where he was reared to manhood and where he learned the trade of cabinet making. He worked at his trade for a number of years in his earlier manhood, and thereafter he was numbered among the successful exponents of farm enterprise in Putnam County. He passed one year in the West, and save for this interval continuously resided in Putnam County until his death, he having been for fifteen years the efficient superintendent of the Putnam County Infirmary, and having served also as township treasurer. His political allegiance was given to the democratic party, and he and his wife were earnest members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the father of Mrs. Sherrard having been a pioneer Ohio clergyman of this church denomination. William R. Sherrard was long affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he passed the various official chairs, including that of noble grand. Of the family of seven children it is to be recorded that six are living at the time of this writing, in 1923: Eva is the wife of Edward Pechinpaugh, of Leipsic, Putnam County; Dr. Ansel C., of this sketch, is a twin brother of Prof. Charles C., who is dean of the faculty of the Tri-State Normal School at Angola,

Indiana; William C. is a retired farmer residing at Leipsic, Putnam County; Henry B. is a farmer in the State of Oklahoma, and is also a skilled mechanic; and Dr. Edward E. is a physician and surgeon now residing in the City of Los Angeles, California.

Dr. Ansel C. Sherrard passed the greater part of his boyhood and youth on his father's farm in Putnam County, and in the meanwhile profited by the advantages of the public schools of the period. In preparation for his chosen profession he entered the Cleveland College of Physicians and Surgeons, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1884. Since thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he has kept insistently in touch with the advances made in medicine and surgical science, both by the study of the best standard and periodical literature of his profession and also by effective post-graduate courses in leading medical institutions in the City of Los Angeles, California, in the years 1910 and 1911, the winters of which he passed in that state. From the year of his graduation (1884) Doctor Sherrard has continuously been engaged in the practice of his profession at Oakwood, and he is now one of the veterans and honored physicians and surgeons of Paulding County, where his professional stewardship and service have covered a period of nearly forty years. He is one of the valued members of the Paulding County Medical Society, and is identified also with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is local surgeon for the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis (Nickel Plate) Railroad, he has served as coroner of Paulding County and also as treasurer of Brown Township, and is found loyally aligned in the ranks of the democratic party. He is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in his home village; in the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with Continental Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and with the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the Commandery of Knights Templar in the City of Defiance, where also he is a member of the lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, besides which he has passed the various official chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

The year 1884 recorded the marriage of Doctor Sherrard and Miss May Lamb, of Findlay, Ohio, and their only child, Nell, a graduate of the Leipsic High School, is the wife of W. W. Simonds, of Toledo, their two children being twin daughters, Mary E. and Josephine.

Edgar Vernon Berry, M. D., an accomplished physician and surgeon at Newcomerstown in Tuscarawas County, graduated from the Ohio Medical University more than twenty years ago. He was an officer in the Army Medical Corps during the World war.

Doctor Berry was born at Quincy, in Lewis County, Kentucky, February 1, 1878, son of John Wesley and Louverna (Thompson) Berry. His parents were natives of Kentucky, his maternal grandfather having been born in Hartford, Connecticut. The Berry family is an old and prominent one in Kentucky's history. John Wesley Berry was also a physician, and gave forty-seven years of his life to the practice of medicine, chiefly at Ashland and Quincy, Kentucky. He was in the Hospital Corps of the Union Army during the Civil war, was a staunch democrat, but never held a public office. He died at the age of seventy-two and his wife, at sixty-nine. They were the parents of one son and three daughters.

Edgar Vernon Berry was reared in Quincy and Ashland, Kentucky, graduated from the high school of the latter city, and for two years attended a Methodist college at Barboursville, West Virginia. He then entered Ohio Medical College at Columbus, was graduated in 1903 and in 1911 took post-graduate work in the New York Post-Graduate School of Medicine and in the intervals of a busy practice has kept in close touch with the advancing progress of his profession. Doctor Berry for six years engaged in private practice at Chester, Ohio, was a physician and surgeon at Lindsey, this state, for two and a half years, practiced one year at Dundee, and in 1915 located at Newcomerstown. Since that date he has built up a large general practice, and to some extent specializes in ear, nose and throat work. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County and Ohio State Medical associations.

Doctor Berry volunteered in the Medical Reserve Corps at the time of the World war, and on June 8, 1918, was commissioned first lieutenant. From August 21 to October 21, 1918, he was in the Medical Officers' Training School at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, and from October 24 to November 1, 1918, took special work in orthopedic surgery at the University of Nashville, Tennessee. On November 1, he was sent to Camp Beauregard, Louisiana, where he remained on duty until February 7, 1919. He received his discharge March 11, 1919. Doctor Berry is a member of the Military Surgeons of the United States and the American Legion. He was recommended for promotion to the rank of captain, but the armistice was signed before it took effect. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, belongs to the Knights of Pythias, and is one of the very public spirited citizens of Tuscarawas County.

Doctor Berry married in 1905 Miss Anna Helwig. She was born in Meigs County, Ohio. They have two daughters, Doris L. and Virginia Y.

Willis H. Keenan, M. D., is a Coshocton physician and surgeon, an Ohio man who earned unusual distinction as a medical officer in war-torn France during the bloody days of 1918. Doctor Keenan was born at Quaker City, Guernsey County, Ohio, June 24, 1878, son of Hugh and Phoebe T. (Hall) Keenan. His mother was also born and reared in Guernsey County. His father, a native of Pennsylvania, was reared in Ohio, and died at the age of seventy-three, his wife passing away when sixty-eight. Hugh Keenan was a farmer and fruit grower, and is remembered for the scientific interest he manifested and the original success he made in agriculture and horticulture. He was a republican in politics, and he and his wife were both devout Quakers.

Willis H. Keenan is next to the youngest in a family of eleven children. Growing up in his native town, he graduated from the Quaker City High School in 1897, and for four years was busy with the duties of school master in country districts. At the same time he was studying medicine under his brother, Dr. Isaac W. Keenan, in Quaker City. He took a course in Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, but completed his education in Ohio State University, where he received his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1905. Doctor Keenan has been active in the work of his profession for nearly twenty years. The first three years were spent at Caldwell, Ohio, but since 1908 Coshocton has known him as a very able and competent doctor and a citizen of fine public spirit. At Coshocton he organized the first hospital in the county, and he built up a large and lucrative practice, being in the high tide of its attendance, activities and service when the World war came on.

Soon after America entered the war he volunteered his services, was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps in June, 1917, and in the following August was called to active duty at Fort Sheridan, Montgomery, Alabama. Later he was sent to the Regular Army Medical School at Chattanooga, Tennessee, and in February, 1918, was ordered over-

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seas. He went over as a casual, and afterward was assigned to the old Fifteenth New York, now known as the Three Hundred and Sixty-ninth New York Infantry. In France Doctor Keenan was soon put on duty at the battle front, and gave service under conditions of exceptional hardship and danger until October 10, 1918. He had been severely wounded while on duty, and as a result of fever, exhaustion, exposure and hunger was then taken off the line of duty and sent to a hospital. He was in the hospital until March, 1919, and on returning to the United States he was kept on duty in hospitals in Pittsburgh, Indianapolis and Chicago until honorably discharged November 2, 1919, at Chicago. In the meantime he had been promoted to captain. Doctor Keenan received a citation for a distinguished service cross, signed by Gen. John J. Pershing. His services on the battlefield were also recognized by France, his citation for the French Croix de Guerre being signed by General Dauvin, and he was also awarded the French Croix de Guerre with Palm, which was conferred upon him by Marshal Petain.

Doctor Keenan is a member of the American Legion. Since leaving the army he has largely confined his professional work to surgery. He is a member of the Coshocton County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, is a member of the Elks Order, and is a republican. Doctor Keenan married in 1914 Miss Marie C. Brucken.

Henry Botts Pigman, the present county superintendent of schools of Coshocton County, is a veteran school man and educator, having given over thirty years of his life to that work. All of his teaching has been done within the border of Coshocton County, and probably no other person in that time has enjoyed such an extended influence on schools and scholars as Mr. Pigman.

A farmer's son, he was born on a farm in Perry Township of Coshocton County, March 20, 1872. The Pigmans were early settlers in this section of Ohio. The family was founded here by his great-grandfather, Joseph W. Pigman, a native of Maryland, who on coming to Ohio shared in the pioneer toils of the early settlers. His son, Rev. James W. Pigman, was born in Maryland, was a farmer by occupation, and for many years was a local Methodist minister. He was closely affiliated with that church, and labored in its ministry the rest of his life. Rev. James W. Pigman married Rachael Hooker. Bene Pigman, father of the Coshocton educator, was born on a farm in Coshocton County in 1839 and spent his long and useful life in agricultural endeavors, passing away in 1919, at the age of eighty. He was identified with the Christian Union Church. He married Hannah Botts, who was born in Licking County, Ohio, in 1846, daughter of Morgan Botts, and died in Coshocton County in 1909. She was reared in and remained faithful to the Christian Church. She was the second wife of Bene Pigman, being the mother of and rearing nine children. The first wife of Bene Pigman was Ella Crowther, and of that union two children grew to mature years.

Henry Botts Pigman through individual experience was competent to understand the problems and conditions of the rural environment. He was reared on a farm and learned many lessons of industry there. His education in the higher branches has been acquired in the intervals of his teaching experience largely, and as a student he has worked in country schools, high schools, normal schools and in the Ohio State University at Columbus and the Ohio University at Athens. He began teaching at the age of twenty-one. For eight years he taught in rural schools. For twenty years he was a superintendent of village schools, all of them in Coshocton County. Mr. Pigman in 1921 was made assistant county superintendent of schools, and January 1, 1924, began his present term as county superintendent. Throughout his career Mr. Pigman has kept in close touch with the progress in educational affairs and changing educational standards. He is a member of the local, district and state teachers' associations. Like his father and grandfather he is a democrat in politics, though not a strong partisan. He belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is a Master Mason and Knight of Pythias. Mr. Pigman married in 1898 Miss Josephine Veatch, who was born and reared in Coshocton County, daughter of Henry and Lavina (Kent) Veatch. They have two children, Mary and Karl Harmon Pigman.

Sheridan Waterman Mattox, M. D. Graduating in medicine in 1896, Doctor Mattox has steadily practiced his profession in Marion County for many years. He has been one of the leading physicians, doing a large general practice as well as specializing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat.

Doctor Mattox is of an old and notable family in this section of Ohio. In fact the Mattox family was one of the very first to establish homes in Marion County. His great-grandfather, whose name was Christopher Mattox, was born in Kentucky in 1763 and died in 1832. He married Christine Hinds, who died in 1834. Christopher Mattox came to Delaware County and took up a section of military land from the Government in that portion of the country that is now Marion County. He received deeds to this land from President James Monroe and President Andrew Jackson. The Mattox family originated in Wales. Christopher Mattox had nine children, as follows: Jacob, Reubin, Isaiah, Christopher, Jr., Benjamin, Nancy, Hannah, Ruannah and Betsy.

Doctor Mattox is a grandson of Jacob and Lydia Lewis Mattox. Both of them were natives of Marion County, Jacob having been born in 1805 and his wife in 1809. Lydia Lewis' brother, Chauncey Lewis, was in the Medical Corps in the Civil war, and was a great-uncle of Doctor Mattox. He was also a pioneer doctor of Marion County and a charter member of the Marion County Medical Society. He was regarded as one of the finest types of the old school physician, and for a long period of years gave the best of his character and energy to the practice.

Jacob Mattox followed farming during his active life and died in 1868, while his wife passed away in 1884. They had seven children, as follows: Chauncy, Eben, Henry, Cyrus, Mary Jane, Lois Delilah and Nancy Elizabeth.

Eben Mattox, father of Doctor Mattox, was born in Marion County, in 1839, and had a brief but very successful career. His death occurred in 1874. He had little opportunity to attend school as a youth, but was well read and a man of fine character. As a farmer he was greatly prospered and in the course of his brief career he owned three different farms in Marion County. He was a democrat in politics, and both he and his wife were very active in the work of the Christian Church. He married in Marion County, and his wife's maiden name was Sarah Priscilla Clark. She was born in Marion County, in 1845, and died in 1870. Her father, Samuel P. Clark, was of Scotch descent and son of John Clark, a very early pioneer in Ohio. Samuel P. Clark was born in Marietta, Ohio, in 1819, spent his active career as a farmer in Marion County, and died in 1887. He married Hannah Williams, a native of Ohio, and they were the parents of Ascha, Sarah P. and Henry N., and one son who died in young manhood. Eben Mattox had four children, two sons and two daughters, three of them are still living: Mattie, wife of Charles Roux, a farmer in Marion

County; Sarah Elvida, wife of L. F. Dickason, of Marion County, Ohio; and Sheridan W. Mattox. He was later married to Jennette Wilson, to whom Minnie May was born, the wife of Albert Roux, of Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Doctor Mattox grew up on his father's farm, attended country schools, the high school at Agosta in Marion County, the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and took a course of the commercial department of the University of Kentucky at Lexington. Doctor Mattox taught school four years, and in 1893 he began the study of medicine in the Eclectic Medical Institute at Cincinnati, where he was graduated in 1896. Soon after qualifying for the profession he began the practice of medicine in Marion County. In 1901 he took advanced courses at Chicago, in 1903 was a student in the Chicago Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Infirmary, and also pursued special work in the Knapp School in New York City. After this he returned to Marion, on January 1, 1904. He continued general work and specialized in the eye, ear, nose and throat.

On July 4, 1918, he entered the medical department of the World war as a first lieutenant and received training as a medical officer at Camp Greenleaf and was stationed at the Base Hospital at Camp Upton, New York, until he was honorably discharged. He is a member of the American Legion and the State and National Eclectic Medical associations and the Marion County and State Regular associations.

Doctor Mattox married, October 27, 1897, Florence Iona Smith. She was born at Marion, daughter of James K. Smith, a farmer of Marion County. Mary Beaver, her mother, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland. They have one daughter, Genevieve Lillian, born January 18, 1899, who graduated from the Marion High School in 1917 and continued her education at the Ohio University at Athens, Ohio, and graduated June, 1921. She later specialized at the Columbia University of New York. She is now a teacher in the Marietta High School.

Doctor Mattox is a republican in politics, a member of the Epworth Methodist Church, and fraternally is affiliated with Marion Lodge No. 70, Free and Accepted Masons; Marion Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Marion Council, Royal and Select Masters; and at Dayton is a member of the Scottish Rite Consistory and Antioch Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to Wayside Lodge No. 864 Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

EDWARD M. WRIGHT, M. D. Representing a family that has been in Coshocton County for three generations, Doctor Wright for over a quarter of a century has practiced medicine and surgery in Coshocton.

He was born on a farm in Jackson Township, Coshocton County, October 20, 1872. His paternal grandparents were William H. and Emily (Croy) Wright, the former a native of Pennsylvania, from which state he came to Ohio and settled in Coshocton County. Benjamin Franklin Wright, father of Doctor Wright, was born in Virginia Township, Coshocton County, July 23, 1851, and devoted a long and useful career to farming. He died in 1921, at the age of seventy. His wife, Martha McCoy, was born in Coshocton County, January 28, 1856, daughter of William and Catherine (Johnson) McCoy, also natives of Ohio.

The marriage of Benjamin Franklin Wright and Martha McCoy occurred November 9, 1871. They reared the following children: Edward M., Earl L., Harry G., Myrtle A., Lavailla, Catherine and Benson F. Benjamin F. Wright was a member of the Masonic Order, was a Baptist, and he and his wife were devout in the Baptist faith.

Edward M. Wright like his brothers and sisters grew up on a farm. He attended the rural schools, subsequently finished high school and for two years of his early life was engaged in teaching. His medical studies were begun under Dr. M. H. Hennel of Coshocton, and from his office he entered the Eclectic Medical Institute, now the Eclectic Medical College, of Cincinnati. He graduated in 1896 with second honors in a class of fifty-two. The first work of his profession was done at Tiverton, Coshocton County, but later he moved to Warsaw in the same county, remaining in practice there for eighteen years, and since 1917 his office and home have been in Coshocton.

Doctor Wright has had some unusual opportunities in his own practice, and has also attended post-graduate schools and clinics to improve his professional qualifications. He did work in a post-graduate school in Chicago in 1906, at a post-graduate school in New York in 1910-1913, also in the New York Polyclinic in 1920, in the Massachusetts General Hospital, and in 1924 in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and again at Chicago. Since 1906, while not abandoning altogether the general practice of medicine and surgery, he has been a recognized specialist in the diseases of women and children.

Doctor Wright is a member of the Coshocton County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Association, the Ohio State Eclectic and the National Eclectic Medical societies. He is a republican, a member of the Church of Christ at Coshocton, and is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner.

Within the limits of his profession he has found satisfaction for his ambition, to be of service to his fellowmen. The only official office he ever held was that of coroner of Coshocton County, a post he filled two years.

Doctor Wright married in 1897 Miss Edith Day, of Tiverton. They have two children, Paul Day and Howard E. Wright.

CHARLES MARION NELDON, M. D. In his ten years of busy service in the fundamentals of general practice Doctor Neldon on that sound foundation has built up a reputation as a specialist in the eye, ear, nose and throat that has made him known not only in his home city of Coshocton but all over that section of Ohio.

Charles M. Neldon was born in Coshocton County, near Warsaw, April 19, 1874. His grandparents, Samuel and Jane (Stewart) Neldon, were natives of Pennsylvania and early settlers at Coshocton. Uriah J. Neldon, father of Doctor Neldon, was born in Coshocton County, and spent his active life as a farmer. He met and married an Illinois girl, Hattie Beeler, who, however, was born in Coshocton County. They were married in 1873, and then returned to Coshocton County and spent the rest of their years on a farm. Uriah Neldon died in 1923, at the age of seventy-six, and his wife passed away in 1914, at the age of sixty-four. They were members of the Methodist Church and Uriah Neldon was a democrat. They reared five children, all of whom are living.

Doctor Neldon grew up on a farm, attended the rural schools and the West Bedford High School, and after that depended upon his own exertions to gain the profession of his choice. Seven years were spent in teaching, an occupation that furnished him most of the money required for his medical education. He began his studies under Dr. M. H. Hennel of Coshocton, and then entered the Eclectic Medical College at Cincinnati, where he graduated in 1901. Since graduating he has practiced at Coshocton, engaging in a general practice until 1912, since which year he has devoted practically his entire time to his work as a specialist. His training outside of his own practice in this field has been the result of many

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post-graduate courses and periods of attendance at clinics and hospitals in some of the most famous medical centers in the world. He has done this work in fourteen different hospitals in New York, Chicago, New Orleans, London, Vienna and elsewhere. He and Mrs. Neldon were in Vienna when the World war broke out in 1914, and encountered considerable difficulty in getting back to London before sailing for the United States.

Doctor Neldon is a member of the Coshocton State and National Eclectic Medical associations. He married in 1896 Miss Lucretia May Squire, of Coshocton. She was born in that Ohio city, daughter of James S. and Annie (Shedeker) Squire, likewise natives of Coshocton County. They have one daughter, Betty Irene. Doctor and Mrs. Neldon are members of the Church of Christ, and he is a teacher in the Sunday school. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, an Odd Fellow, and Mrs. Nelson belongs to the Eastern Star, the Rebekahs, and the Court of the Ladies of the Oriental Shrine of North America. Doctor Neldon is a democrat, and a member of the Rotary Club and other civic organizations.

THOMAS W. LEAR, M. D. Three decades of his life and experience Doctor Lear has devoted to the practice of medicine and surgery, for nearly a quarter of a century in his native city of Coshocton, where his name is significant of some of the best abilities of his profession.

Doctor Lear was born at Coshocton, February 22, 1871, son of Henry Lear, a native of England, and Sarah Louise (Marshall) Lear, who was born in Maryland, where they were married. Their home was established in Coshocton in the early days, on a farm close to town. Henry Lear for many years was a coal operator, but for the last twelve years of his life lived retired. He died at the age of eighty-four, in June, 1924, his wife passing away at the age of eighty-two. There is a family of four sons and five daughters who are still living.

Doctor Lear attended the public schools of Coshocton, graduating from high school in 1890. Then for two years he spent his time as a rural school teacher, and he enjoyed his first advantages and inspiration under a well known preceptor of Coshocton, Dr. M. H. Hennel. His formal studies were pursued in the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati, where he was graduated in 1894. After graduating he practiced a year at Warsaw, four years at Wills Creek, and since 1900 at Coshocton. Doctor Lear pursued a post-graduate course at Chicago, and is a specialist with all the equipment for X-ray and electro-therapeutics, a special field he occupies in addition to his general practice.

Doctor Lear is a member of the Coshocton County and Ohio State Medical societies, the Ohio State and National Eclectic Medical associations, is a republican, and his served two terms as county coroner. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

He married in 1895 Miss Lulu Trovinger, of Coshocton. There were three children born to their marriage, Louise, Harold and Marjorie. The son Harold graduated from medical college in May of 1924, then becoming associated with his father in practice. During the World war the son served with the rank of second lieutenant at Fort Worth, Texas.

EDITH D. BURRELLE has the distinction of being the first woman ever elected to county office in Coshocton. While her duties are as clerk of court, she possesses qualifications based upon long service as a deputy in the courthouse, and she also has the advantage of knowing and being known by practically all of the residents of Coshocton County, where her family has lived for four generations.

Her great-grandfather, Samuel Burrelle, a native of Virginia, came to Coshocton in pioneer days and settled in Bethlehem Township. Her grandfather, Samuel C. Burrelle, a native of Coshocton County, was for two terms county treasurer. Samuel C. Burrelle married Susan Miller. Thomas H. Burrelle, father of the clerk of court, was born in Coshocton County, March 31, 1845, and spent his early life as a farmer. Subsequently for a number of years he was a sewer contractor and is now a retired resident of Coshocton. In politics he has always been identified with the democratic party, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church, while his wife is a Baptist.

Thomas H. Burrelle married Alwilda Darling, who was born in Coshocton County, October 12, 1849, a daughter of Thomas and Demmie (Butler) Darling. They were born in Virginia and were among the early settlers of Jefferson Township, Coshocton County. Edith D. Burrelle, one of the seven children of her parents, was born at Coshocton, September 20, 1887. She was well educated in the public schools and in business college, and has spent ten years in the courthouse at Coshocton. For eight years she was deputy clerk of the courts, and in 1922 was nominated as a candidate for clerk of the County Court, in the democratic primaries. At the regular election she was given a majority of votes and entered upon her first term of two years in 1923. She has proved capable in the routine of administration of this office, and also possesses qualities of alertness and quick thinking that have proved advantageous in handling matters outside of the routine.

WILLIAM H. MCCLINTON is a citizen who has been identified with Steubenville since boyhood, has made a name and reputation in his business affairs, and for many years has been president of the National Exchange Bank of Steubenville.

He was born in Allegheny City, now part of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, December 24, 1852, son of John and Margaret (Nesbit) McClinton. His grandfather was William McClinton and his great-grandfather, Nathaniel McClinton, came from Ireland to America. The McClintons made settlement on both sides of the Ohio River, two miles below the City of Pittsburgh. The family has been in Steubenville since 1859. The maternal grandparents were William and Rosanna (Hamilton) Nesbit, who also came from the North of Ireland. Margaret (Nesbit) McClinton died January 14, 1910. John McClinton, who died May, 1882, was a manufacturer of cut nails in the old Jefferson Iron Works. He never accepted a public office, though keenly interested in matters of public interest. He and his wife had five children: William H.; Anna M.; John E., who married Mary Miller and died leaving two children, named Margaret and Agnes; Samuel N., who married Carrie Hull; and Charles F.

William H. McClinton attended public schools in Steubenville, took his high school course in the Grove Academy, and his first work in a nail factory. He mastered all branches of the business and in time became general manager of the nail works at Steubenville. Altogether he spent about twenty-five years in the nail industry. While general manager of the factory he became a director in the National Exchange Bank, and in 1896 was elected its president. He has guided that institution through all the years since then, and is head of one of the most substantial financial institutions in Jefferson County.

Mr. McClinton married at Steubenville, October 4, 1876, Miss Mary Caldwell, who died February 15, 1924, when they had been married nearly fifty years. Her parents were Hugh and Catherine (McLeish) Caldwell. Mrs. McClinton had a brother, Edward,

who is married and has three sons, named Roy, Hugh and Donald.

Of the three children of Mr. and Mrs. McClinton the oldest is Charles C., who married Mabel McConnell, and has three children, named John McConnell, William H. and Mary A. The second son, Donald Nesbit, married Katherine Kane, their children being Donald M., Robert and Richard, twins, and Mary K. The only daughter, Margaret N., is the wife of Frank A. Fickes, and is the mother of Frank A., Jr., and Mary Caldwell. Mr. McClinton is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, belongs to the Steubenville Country Club and Chamber of Commerce, and in Masonry is affiliated with the Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council, Knights Templar Commandery, and has taken eighteen degrees in the Scottish Rite.

DeWitt Clinton Westfall, D. O., was one of the pioneers in his profession in Ohio, his abilities and high-minded character having done much to gain favor and recognition for this modern branch of the healing art. Doctor Westfall has practiced osteopathy in Ohio for over twenty years, and for most of that time his home has been in Coshocton.

He represents a pioneer family of American lineage, and was born on a farm in Wabash County in Southern Illinois, March 19, 1868, son of Milton and Elizabeth (Knowles) Westfall. His grandfather, Hiram Westfall, was of old Virginia stock, was born in Upshur County, in what is now West Virginia, of German lineage, while his wife, a Miss Jones, was of Welsh ancestry.

Hiram Westfall was one of the early settlers in the great Northwest Territory, in what is now the State of Indiana, and was one of the original settlers at Corydon, the first capital of the territory of Indiana. In an upstairs room in his story and a half residence the first Territorial Legislature of Indiana was organized, with William Henry Harrison, then territorial governor, presiding. General Harrison and Hiram Westfall were close and intimate friends. Subsequently Hiram Westfall moved to Gibson County, Indiana, settling near Owensville. He and his wife reared eight sons and two daughters.

Milton Westfall was born in Gibson County, Indiana, September 29, 1829, was reared there and married Elizabeth Knowles, who was born near the town of Owensville in that county, May 28, 1823. Her parents were Ephraim and Mary (Kimball) Knowles, the former of English and the latter of Irish descent. After their marriage Milton Westfall and his wife lived at the home of his parents, taking care of them in their declining years. He suffered a sunstroke in 1868, and being disqualified for farming he learned the shoemakers' trade. He followed this several years in Illinois, then for about a year lived on the farm, following which he built and operated a hotel at Browns, Illinois, for eighteen years. His last days were spent in retirement at Findlay, Ohio, where he passed away April 5, 1910, at the age of eighty-one. He became a staunch republican, and he and his wife were members of the United Brethren Church. They had four children, Theodore Marshall Westfall, a doctor of osteopathy at Ashtabula, Ohio; Elmer Ellsworth Westfall, also an osteopath, of Mount Pleasant, Iowa; DeWitt Clinton Westfall; and Bertha Pearl, of Findlay, Ohio, widow of Oliver Hartman.

DeWitt Clinton Westfall spent his early years at Grayville and Browns, Illinois, attending some schools there. His higher education was continued in Westfield College in Illinois, following which he entered the ministry of the United Brethren Church. Five years of his labors for his church in Northwestern Illinois brought about a serious breakdown in health, and when he abandoned the ministry he pursued a course of osteopathic treatments at Kirksville, Missouri, which was so successful that he determined to study and take up the profession of osteopathy. He was graduated in 1901 from the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, and at once moved to Findlay, Ohio, where in a short time he gained a splendid and prosperous practice, but overwork brought about a nervous breakdown, and following a period of recuperation Doctor Westfall located at Coshocton, in 1911. Since then he has continued in active practice. He has been honored with the office of president of the Ohio State Osteopathic Association and has served on the State Osteopathic Board of Examiners.

Doctor Westfall has been a member of the City Council at Coshocton, he is a republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, is a Knight Templar Mason and a Rotarian. On May 12, 1887, he married Miss Anna E. Johnson, who was born in Edwards County, Illinois, daughter of Eugene and Mary (Vyse) Johnson. Doctor and Mrs. Westfall have two sons. The older, Eugene Raymond, is now in the life insurance business at Coshocton. He married Louise Rose, and their four children are Jane Knowles, Betty Ann, Thomas Clinton and David Milton Westfall. The second son is Kenneth Milton Westfall, who served with the rank of second lieutenant in the American Army at Camp Sherman during the World war. He is a graduate of the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, and is now associated with his father in practice at Coshocton.

William C. Frew, M. D. For almost forty years the community of Coshocton was fortunate in having available the skill and ability of one of the leading surgeons in that section of Ohio, the late Dr. William C. Frew, who possessed unusual natural qualifications as well as the acquired training in his chosen field.

Doctor Frew was born at Coshocton, October 31, 1843, and spent his long and useful life in that community, where he died April 2, 1909, at the age of sixty-six. He was a descendant of an old American family. About 1773 John, James and Alexander Frew immigrated from County Antrim, Ireland, to America, and crossing the Alleghany Mountains settled at Fort Pitt, now Pittsburgh. Of these brothers John Frew married Rachael Glover in Ireland. Their son, Alexander Frew, was about ten years of age when his parents came to America, and in 1794 Alexander Frew married Mary Hopkins and settled in Washington County, Pennsylvania.

Their son, John Frew, who was born in Washington County, February 15, 1797, married Sophia Clark, and in 1823 moved to Ohio, settling at Coshocton. The Frew family have been identified with Coshocton and vicinity for a century. John Frew became editor of the first newspaper published here. Probably on account of some connection with the local military service he was always known as Major Frew. His success in business and his connection with public affairs made him a man of unusual prominence and esteem. Major Frew and his wife reared five daughters and one son.

The son, Dr. William C. Frew, was the youngest of the children, and grew up at Coshocton. He served as a Union soldier in the Civil war, and in 1866 graduated from the University of Michigan. In 1869 he completed his course in the Long Island Medical College of New York, and for nearly two years was an interne in Bellevue Hospital, New York. This training was more than usually thorough for the physicians and surgeons of the time. In 1870 he took up his work as a private practitioner at Coshocton, and devoted his time and ability to this calling until his death, nearly forty years later. While he had a large practice in medicine and surgery, he found time to

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serve the cause of education, in which he was particularly interested. For many years he was a member of the city school board, and part of the time president of the board. He was always a republican in politics.

Doctor Frew married, in 1877, Eliza V. Hackinson, She was born at Coshocton, July 12, 1842, and died in September, 1918. Her parents were Robert M. and Ann R. (Lewis) Hackinson, her father of Irish and her mother of Welsh descent.

John R. Frew, only son of the late Dr. William C. Frew, is a resident of Coshocton, and is well versed in two professional callings, the law and civil engineering. He was born in Coshocton, November 18, 1880, was educated, like his father, in the University of Michigan, and continued his schooling in the University of New York and Case School of Applied Science in Cleveland, where he completed his civil engineering course. His engineering experience included several years in old Mexico and the Isthmus of Panama, where he was an employe of the government in connection with the Panama Railroad Company. He was also connected with the General Electric Company at Fort Wayne, Indiana, and from June, 1917, until after the close of the World war, was connected with the United States Shipping Board. Mr. Frew in 1912 graduated in law from the Ohio State University and practiced his profession until his service with the United States Shipping Board. After his World war service he returned to Coshocton. In November, 1920, he was elected county surveyor of Coshocton County, serving a term of two years He is a republican in politics. His offices are in the Frew Building at Coshocton.

William H. Haskins. One of the able business men and highly respected citizens of Coshocton is William H. Haskins, widely known in Ohio and for years actively identified with important interests and organizations here and elsewhere largely connected with the great coal industry.

William H. Haskins was born in the mining town of Pine Grove, Ohio, October 29, 1874, the oldest of a family of seven sons and one daughter born to George S. and Eliza J. (Rowe) Haskins. His father was born in Gallia County, Ohio, a coal miner all his life, and his mother was a native of Lawrence County, Kentucky. In 1891 they moved to Hocking County, Ohio. They were estimable people, hard working and highly respected.

William H. Haskins had but limited school opportunities in his youth, being but nine years old when he accompanied his father into the mines, and for the next sixteen years in this way assisted in supporting the family. He was a thoughtful, observant youth, however, and in the hardships of daily life, soon saw many ways in which many of these could be ameliorated, early recognizing the value of education in any successful campaign. Therefore as soon as able he placed himself under private teachers and profited by their instruction, and at the same time pursued so quiet and wholesome a life that he gained the confidence and respect of his mine brothers. This feeling was evidenced when, in 1897, he was elected vice president of the Ohio Mine Workers, a position he filled for two years, when he became president of the organization and served as such for seven years.

In 1899 Mr. Haskin came to Coshocton, where he has maintained his home ever since. After retiring from the presidency of the Ohio Mine Workers organization he entered the employ of the Northwestern Fuel Company of St. Paul, Minnesota, and for the greater part of the next five years was on the road superintending the loading of coal on boats at ports on Lake Erie. This position he resigned in 1911, when elected secretary of the Central Ohio Coal Operators' Association, his offices being at Coshocton. But poorly equipped in youth for handling the important business responsibilities that have come to him, he faced them with courage and has borne them with trustworthy efficiency.

Mr. Haskins married, in 1896, Miss Ella M. Hill, who was born at Zaleski, Vinton County, Ohio. They attend and support the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Haskins is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and a member of Alladin Temple at Columbus. Since the age of twenty-one he has been a member of the order of Knights of Pythias. Politically he has always been affiliated with the republican party, not as a possible office holder, but as an upright citizen maintaining principles that seem to him to be right.

Hon. William A. Kehnast. One of the oldest and most honored business men in the City of Defiance is William A. Kehnast. He had been in this country only a few years when the Civil war came on, and he showed his patriotism by enlisting and serving in the Union army, though then only a boy. The years since the war has marked a steady progress in his position as a business man and citizen of Defiance.

He was born at Mohrenbach, Thuringen, Germany, March 17, 1847, son of Christian and Henrietta (Haneisen) Kehnast. His parents spent all their lives in Germany. There were four sons and one daughter, and two of them are still living. One son, August, came to the United States in 1854. He was a Union soldier in the Civil war for three years, and died at Defiance.

William A. Kehnast was educated in his native land and had seven years schooling there. When he was thirteen in 1860, he came to the United States and joined his brother in Erie County, New York, near the city of Buffalo. He attended school there for a time and worked for his brother on the farm. In 1861 the brothers moved to Florida, Henry County, Ohio, and William A. Kehnast assisted in working the land that was leased by his brother. In May, 1861, he became clerk in a grocery store in the village of Florida, getting his board and clothes for this work. Later he was in a grocery store at Napoleon, and in 1862 moved to Defiance, where he continued clerking in a grocery store until 1863. In that year, then aged sixteen, William A. Kehnast enlisted in Company E of the Ninth Ohio Cavalry. He was in service until the close of the war, nearly two years later.

The war over, he returned to Defiance and found employment in the same grocery establishment where he had clerked before going into the army. Then in 1867, at the age of twenty, he embarked his modest capital in a business of his own, and continued it until 1870. Then he engaged in the hardware business, and was a hardware merchant at Defiance until 1915. He is now president of the Defiance Wholesale Grocery Company, but to a large extent is retired from the heavy responsibilities he once served. He is former president and a director in the Defiance Box Company and has various financial interests and investments. Mr. Kehnast served as president of the Defiance Board of Education, and at the time of the World war was president of the Draft and Exemption boards in Defiance County.

Mr. Kehnast married Miss Jennie Kniss, who was born in Defiance, and died in 1878. In 1887 he married Lizzie Sauer. Mr. Kehnast has two children by his first marriage: Nellie, a graduate of high school and widow of Godfrey Watkins, of Defiance; and Minnie, a graduate of high school and the wife of Isaac Savage, of Detroit, Michigan. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, Mrs. Kehnast being a member of the Reformed Church. He is affiliated with all

the bodies of York Rite Masonry in Defiance, and is a past eminent commander of Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner. He is a member of the Golf Club, the Defiance Club, and as a democrat has represented Defiance County in the State Legislature, was president of the City Council, and is a former city treasurer. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Defiance and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and is a past commander of Bishop Post No. 22, Department of Ohio. Mr. Kehnast has been an extensive traveler both in the United States and in Europe. He has crossed the Atlantic Ocean nineteen times, and visited the battlefields of Belgium and France in 1920 and he also spent six weeks on a cruise all through the West Indies and four weeks on a trip in Old Mexico.

JOHN D. GARDNER is a prominent young attorney of the Steubenville bar. He graduated from law college at the age of twenty-one, and for ten years has been building up a reputation as a very able lawyer with an extensive practice in corporation law.

Mr. Gardner was born at Milford, Michigan, January 12, 1891, son of A. G. and Eva (Dunham) Gardner. His grandparents were M. D. and Sarah (Griswold) Gardner, who moved from New York State to Michigan. The maternal grandparents were John W. and Mary Dunham. The Dunhams were of old New England stock. James Fenimore Cooper in his novel, "Deer Slayer," has Eva Dunham as a character. A. G. Gardner has for many years been in the railroad service, and in early life was freight agent for the old Flint & Pere Marquette Railway in Michigan, and since coming to Steubenville has been an employe of the Pennsylvania Railway Company. He is a Presbyterian, and a member of the Masonic Lodge. His wife, Eva Dunham, died in 1910. They had two sons, M. Lloyd and John D., M. Lloyd married Mary Foregraves, their two children being Mae Evelyn and Billie.

John D. Gardner attended public school at Tyrone, Michigan, and for several years lived with his grandfather on a farm, attending country schools. Two years were spent in the public schools at Toledo and then he accompanied his parents to Dillonvale in Jefferson County, Ohio. He continued his education in the Mount Pleasant High School and in Scio College, where he graduated in an academic course in 1909. Mr. Gardner pursued his law course in the Northwestern University at Chicago, graduating with the Bachelor of Laws degree in June, 1912. He remained for six months gaining metropolitan experience with the law offices of Thurman, Hume & Kennedy in Chicago. Another six months were spent in the law offices of his uncle, M. L. Dunham, at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and then for some time he was at Dillonvale. On opening an office in Steubenville, he was alone for a time and since then has been associated with J. C. Bigger in one of the leading law firms in Jefferson County. In the fall of 1916 he was a candidate for prosecuting attorney of Jefferson County. Mr. Gardner has handled legal matters for several corporations. He is general counsel for the United Mine Workers of Ohio over portions of Pennsylvania and West Virginia. A case that brought him more than ordinary prominence was his service as chief counsel in the defense of 266 members of the United Mine Workers indicted for murder at Cliftonville, West Virginia. During the World war he acted as a member of the Legal Advisory Board and had a permanent part in the various drives.

Mr. Gardner married in May, 1915, at Toledo, Ohio, Miss Alma Grace Budd, daughter of Peter and Mary Budd. Her father is a contractor and builder and a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. In the Budd family were three sons and five daughters; William E.; Arthur C., who married Hattie Grove and has a son, Grove; Lillie; Rose, who married Harry Nichols; George; Emma, who is married and has a daughter, Alice; Mabel; and Mrs. Gardner. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner have a daughter, Dorothy, born in April, 1917.

Mr. Gardner is one of the trustees of the Congregational Church, is a member of the County and Ohio State Bar associations, and has fraternal affiliations with the Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Redmen, Moose and Maccabees, and is a member of the Steubenville Country Club.

JONATHAN S. HARE, who is established in the practice of law at Dennison, is not only one of the representative younger members of the bar of Tuscarawas County, but has further honored his native commonwealth by the service which he accorded in connection with the nation's participation in the World war.

Mr. Hare was born at Upper Sandusky, judicial center of Wyandot County, Ohio, December 19, 1888, and in the same county were born his parents, Jay A. and Harriet (Hedges) Hare, his paternal grandfather, Jonathan S. Hare, in whose honor he was named, having been born in Pennsylvania, in 1828, of Holland Dutch ancestry. The original spelling of the family patronymic was Heer. Jonathan S. Hare, Sr., was a pioneer settler in Wyandot County, Ohio, where he became a substantial exponent of farm industry and a citizen of prominence and influence. He was a staunch democrat, and he served two terms as county treasurer. He was sixty-eight years of age at the time of his death. Warren, the elder of his two sons, died at the age of twenty-eight years, and the daughters were four in number.

Jay A. Hare, younger of the two sons, was reared on the old home farm. He was born at Carey, Wyandot County, May 6, 1860. At the age of ten years he moved to Upper Sandusky, where for many years he was successfully engaged in the real estate business. He is one of the influential figures in the local councils of the democratic party, and like his father, gave two terms of service as treasurer of Wyandot County. His wife, now deceased, was a daughter of Wesley Hedges, prominently concerned as a pioneer in the Ohio wool industry and long an honored citizen of Wyandot County. Mr. and Mrs. Jay A. Hare became the parents of three children, all of whom are living.

Jonathan S. Hare, immediate subject of this sketch, was graduated in the Upper Sandusky High School as a member of the class of 1908, and in 1912 he was graduated from the Ohio State University, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He forthwith entered the law department of the university, and in the same he was graduated as a member of the class of 1915, his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws having been forthwith followed by his admission to the Ohio bar, July 1, 1915. He engaged in practice at Upper Sandusky, and when the nation became formally identified with the World war, in April, 1917, Mr. Hare promptly subordinated all personal interests to enter patriotic service. His earlier service was in vigorous and effective support of local patriotic movements, and May 30, 1917, he delivered the memorial address at Upper Sandusky, besides which he made effective speeches in advancing local drives in support of the Government War Loans, Red Cross Work, etc. On the 11th of May, 1918, in the City of Cincinnati, Mr. Hare enlisted in the United States Navy, and he was forthwith sent to the Great Lakes Naval Training Sta-

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tion near Chicago, where he continued his service until the armistice brought the war to a close. He gained his release from service on the 11th of February, 1919, but was retained on the membership role of the Naval Reserve Corps until June, 1922, when he received his honorable discharge. His work at the Great Lakes Station consisted in making out allotment papers for dependents, the making of affidavits, and the checking of men for overseas duty. It may be here noted that Mr. Hare had previously had three years of service in the Ohio National Guard, he having enlisted December 14, 1914, in Company C, Fourth Infantry Regiment, and having received his honorable discharge therefrom at the expiration of his three years' term of enlistment.

After his release from the naval service Mr. Hare returned to Upper Sandusky, with the intention of resuming the practice of his profession. However, he found a demand for his service in connection with work for returned soldiers and assisting in the release from service of other soldiers, he having neither asked for nor received any compensation for his service in this connection—a work which demanded the major part of his time and attention. He became also chairman of the Salvation Army Drive in Wyandot County, and also organized and became the first commander of Wyandot Post No. 225, American Legion, at Upper Sandusky, he having secured the first eighty-five members for this organization.

On the 27th of June, 1921, Mr. Hare established his residence at Dennison, where he has since been associated with Brooklyn Bridge in the practice of law. In 1923 he was elected commander of William J. Linehan Post of the American Legion at Dennison, and in November, 1923, he was elected city solicitor.

Mr. Hare is a stalwart supporter of the cause of the democratic party, holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, has received the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite of the Masonic fraternity, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and he is affiliated with Acacia fraternity of the Ohio State University at Columbus, Ohio.

CUSTER E. BELL, doctor of chiropractic at Steubenville, is one of the very successful men of his profession in Eastern Ohio, has a large practice, and has his offices in the finest office building in Steubenville.

He was born in Jefferson County, November 17, 1894, son of Francis P. and Amelia E. (Tipton) Bell. His mother is living. His father, who died in 1905, was a farmer and a man of extensive interests and affairs in Jefferson County. He was not in politics for his own advantage, but was active in behalf of the Government and his friends, and his advice was held in the highest esteem by all. In early life he taught school for several years. The school district near his old home was named for him. He and his wife had a large family of children, briefly noted as follows: Minnie, deceased; George, who married Clara Shield and died at the age of twenty-two, leaving one daughter, Georgia; Daisy, who married J. E. Mansfield and had four children, Floyd, Mildred, Beatrice and Dorothy; Francis, who married Callie Fife, their three children being Francis, Alma and Florence; Lena, who has a daughter, Grace; Miles E., who married Martha Strickler and has two sons, Olen and James; Samuel J., who married Mayme Bates; Kathlyn, who married E. D. Taggert and has three children, named Floyd, Texas and Joseph; Jessie, wife of Russell Naylor and mother of a son, Wayne; and Dr. Custer E.

Custer E. Bell attended district school, the Jewitt High School, and on leaving high school took up the work and study of electrical engineering, continuing until his health failed He was restored to health by adjustments from a chiropractor, and this interested him in the profession so that he entered the Palmer School of Chiropractic at Davenport, Iowa, taking the full course and graduating in 1917. For six months he practiced at Newport, Kentucky, and since then has represented his profession in Steubenville.

Doctor Bell while in school at Davenport, Iowa, met Miss Ceressa Rae, who was likewise a student there. They were married at Cincinnati, September 29, 1915. Her father, Samuel Rae, is in the confectionery business. Mrs. Bell completed the regular course at Davenport and has had special training. She received her early education at Springfield, Illinois. The two children of Doctor and Mrs. Bell are Wylma Evelyn and Kenneth Eugene. Doctor Bell was a Baptist, but is now a Congregationalist, and his wife is a member of the Congregational Church. He is affiliated with the college fraternity Delta Sigma Chi, with the Universal Chiropractic Association, the Knights of Pythias, and also the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan. He belongs to the Young Men's Christian Association and the new international order known as the Y. S. Men's Club. He is also a member of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce.

B. J. EMERY, who for over thirty-four years has practiced dentistry in Defiance, is a son of a physician and member of a family that has been prominent in Northwestern Ohio for many years.

He was born at Ridgeville Corners, in Henry County, Ohio, August 11, 1867, son of Dr. R. G. and Emily E. (Palmer) Emery. His father was born in Carroll County, Ohio, in 1825, and graduated in medicine at the Cleveland Medical School, now the medical department of Western Reserve University.

For a great many years he carried the burdens of a large country practice as a physician, making his home at Ridgeville Corners and later at Florida, both villages in Henry County. He served as a Union soldier in the Civil war, was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, was a republican in politics and a member of the Masonic Lodge. There are two sons living, W. G. Emery and B. J. Emery, both dentists, the former located at Fostoria, Ohio.

Dr. B. J. Emery was reared in Henry County, attended the public schools there, including high school, and later entered the Cincinnati Dental College, where he was graduated with the Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1890. Since 1891 he has practiced his profession at Defiance. In addition to his work as a dentist, Doctor Emery is one of the directors of the First National Bank of Defiance, is also vice president of the Defiance Home Savings & Loan Company and the Northwestern Telephone Company.

He married Miss Lillian D. Edwards, the eldest daughter of the late W. W. Edwards, of Leipsic, Ohio. Mrs. Emery is a graduate of the Leipsic High School, and finished her education in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Doctor and Mrs. Emery have two sons: Bartlett E., a graduate of the Defiance High School and the Ohio Wesleyan University and of the Harvard Law School, and is now practicing law in Toledo. He married May 3, 1924, Mildred B. Swatzbaugh, of Toledo, Ohio. Robert W., who graduated from high school, from Culver Military Academy in Indiana, and from Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, is now a student at Harvard College. He married, December 20, 1923, Edna M. Papenhagen, of Defiance, Ohio. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Doctor Emery is on the official board of the church, is a past eminent commander of the Knights Templar,

and a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason at Toledo. He has served as prelate of Defiance Commandery for a number of year. As a republican he had the unique honor of being twice elected to represent Defiance County in the Ohio Legislature and to date is the only republican ever elected to the Ohio General Assembly from Defiance County. He served eight years as a member of the School Board and is a Rotarian.

PLYMOUTH ADVERTISER. One of the oldest newspapers in the state with a consecutive history is the Plymouth Advertiser of Plymouth, Richland County, whose editor and proprietor is J. Hampton. This paper was established in 1851 by E. H. Sanford under the name Plymouth Journal. Plymouth was then a very small village. It passed in 1853 to the ownership of H. M. Wooster, and from him went to the firm of Robinson & Locke, who changed the name to the Plymouth Advertiser. The Advertiser has always taken a great deal of pride in the fact that David R. Locke was for two struggling years occupied with the fortunes of this little paper. David R. Locke's permanent memorial in Ohio journalism is the Toledo Blade, and his permanent fame in American history is the result of his writings under the nom de plume, Petroleum V. Nasby.

The Plymouth Advertiser is a weekly publication issued every Thursday, and has a circulation of 1,100, going to most of the homes in Northern Richland and Southern Huron counties. It was formerly a republican but is now an independent paper.

Robinson & Locke sold the Advertiser in 1859 to A. H. Balsley, and in January, 1864, J. M. Beelman became its owner and later took in his brother, J. Frank Beelman, and from 1876 the latter conducted it as proprietor and editor until the next transfer of ownership to the Davis Brothers. From Davis Brothers Mr. Jack Hampton bought the paper in 1920.

Jack Hampton was born in the Town of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, in 1891, of old Southern and Confederate parentage. As a boy of ten he started to learn the printing trade, and his experience has been continuous in the trade and profession since then. He has many of those natural qualifications which make the real editor and newspaper man. He came to Ohio September 1, 1920. It has been his policy to run a clean paper, and much of his success is due to his strict adherance to the motto, "Be Sincere." He has a modern plant and office, and also owns his own home in Plymouth. He married Miss Mary G. Hagan of West Virginia. They have three children, one son and two daughters.

WILLIAM WHITE KEIFER, son of Gen. J. Warren Keifer, the distinguished citizen of Springfield whose career is sketched elsewhere, has for many years been associated with his honored father in the practice of law, and has a son in the same profession, making three successive generations represented in one law firm.

William White Keifer was born at Springfield, May 24, 1866, second of the four children of his parents. As a boy he attended public schools, Antioch College and Ohio State University at Columbus, where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1886 and in 1888 graduated from the Cincinnati School of Law. Soon afterward he engaged in practice at Springfield with his father, and they have been together in a general law practice for over thirty-five years.

On June 13, 1894, at Springfield, he married Miss Martha Steele, daughter of Marshfield and Martha (Lehman) Steele. Her father, who died in 1898, was a well known Springfield business man. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Keifer are Horace S., William W., Jr., Martha and Penelope. Martha graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree form Wells College in 1923, and is now taking post-graduate work in philosophy at Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore.

Horace S. on May 7, 1917, entered the Officers' Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Three Hundred and Thirty-second Infantry, Eighty-third Division, and from Fort Benjamin Harrison continued his training at Camp Sherman, sailed from Hoboken in June, 1918, and soon after landing in France his regiment was sent, the only one from the American Expeditionary Forces, to the Italian front during the campaign against the Austrians. He was on active duty there until the armistice. Horace S. Keifer married Margaret Merickel of Toledo. He graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from William College in 1917, finished his law course at Ohio State University in 1922, and is now associated in practice at the office of his father and grandfather. He was elected Representative to the General Assembly of Ohio from Clark County in 1924.

William W. Keifer, Jr., graduated from Williams College in January, 1918, and in that year entered training at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, was commissioned a second lieutenant, was assigned duty at Camp Taylor with the Eight Hundred and First Pioneer Infantry, and went overseas during the last months of the war. He lives at Dayton, Ohio, and by his marriage to Virginia Paine, of Massachusetts, has a daughter, Nancy.

Mr. Keifer and family are members of the Covenant Presbyterian Church. He belongs to the County, State and American Bar associations, and is a Mason.

L. H. CADOT. A merchant at South Webster, for many years has been one of the most progressive leaders in the rural and agricultural affairs of Scioto County.

He was born in Jackson County, Ohio, April 16, 1867, son of James and Mary Ann (McQuality) Cadot. His parents are now deceased, his mother a native of Jackson County and his father of Scioto County. James Cadot was one of the soldiers from this section of Ohio in the Union Army throughout the period of the Civil war. He went into service as a lieutenant in the First Ohio Heavy Artillery, and came out with the rank of captain. In civil life he was a farmer and carpenter, and interested himself in the progress of his home community, serving on the Township Board of Vernon Township and helped organize the first school in the township and was one of the trustees. His children were: Miss Cora, who was born the day Lincoln was inaugurated President, and has been active in politics at Portsmouth; Effie; L. H.; and Helen, who are married.

L. H. Cadot was educated in the common schools at Chapins Mill, and left school to assist his father in the operation of the home farm. Later he became an independent farmer, and that was his vocation until 1921. His progressive methods made him successful in farming, and he has always been ready to enlist his energies and influence in matters effecting the welfare of his home locality and county. He has been prominent in the Grange, serving as president of the local Grange, and holding other offices. He was one of the farmers who cooperated faithfully with the county agent. For years he was a member of the School Board and trustee of his township, has served as a county commissioner, and in politics is a republican. When Mr. Cadot sold his farm in 1921 he moved to South Webster, and has since conducted the leading general merchandise store of that place.

In November, 1890, he married Miss Mary Boren, daughter of James and Mary Jane Boren, now de-

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ceased. At her death Mrs. Cadot left five children: Darleane, Claudius C., Esther, Marie and Alma. The second wife of Mr. Cadot was Miss Eva Hanes, daughter of Samuel L. and Sarah (Knowls) Hanes. She was the oldest of their five children, the others being Nettie, Eliza, John and William, all married. By his second marriage Mr. Cadot has two children, Madeline and Arthur.

His son Claudius is an ex-service man of the World war, spending two years in the army. He was on the front line of battle in France sixty-one days, and was gassed.

Mr. Cadot is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He has filled all the chairs in the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias and has been a delegate to the Grand Lodge, and is also a member of the Eagles.

J. Howard Shanks is one of the prominent representatives of the automobile trade in Jefferson County, at whose judicial center and metropolis, the City of Steubenville, he is president of the Steubenville Buick Company, authorized agents in this district for the celebrated Buick automobiles.

Mr. Shanks was born at Steubenville, in September, 1880, and is the youngest in a family of four children, of whom two are deceased, the first born having been a daughter who died in infancy, and the second, Gertrude, having died at the age of fifteen years, of typhoid fever. George H., the other surviving child, married Olive McCoy, and their one child is a daughter, Mary Elizabeth. The father, the late Archibald Shanks, whose death occurred in 1904, had conducted on Market Street one of the leading retail grocery stores of Steubenville, and was a citizen who had secure place in popular confidence and esteem. He was an active member of the United Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow, who still maintains her home in Steubenville, her maiden name having been Elizabeth Miller, and she being now (1924) seventy-two years of age. Mrs. Shanks was born in Ireland, where she was reared and educated, and at Steubenville, Ohio, she became acquainted with Archibald Shanks, whose wife she became, he likewise having been born and reared in the fair old Emerald Isle, where his parents remained until their death.

After completing his studies in the public schools of Steubenville, J. Howard Shanks entered Muskingum College, in which institution he continued his studies three years. For six years thereafter he was a successful and popular traveling salesman for the S. A. Weller Pottery Company of Zanesville, and he then engaged independently in the retail grocery business in Steubenville. He developed a substantial and prosperous business, and after making an advantageous sale of the same eight years later he effected the organization of the Steubenville Buick Company, of which he has since continued the president and general manager. This company handles all Buick business in this section, has a well equipped establishment, with full lines of supplies and accessories, and with garage and repair facilities of the most approved modern order. The liberal and progressive policies which Mr. Shanks has brought to bear in his executive direction of this enterprise have resulted in the continuous and substantial expansion of the business, and he has secure vantage place as one of the vital and successful business men of the younger generation in his native city. He is an active member of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and holds membership in the United Presbyterian Church. He is still to be listed as one of the eligible young bachelors of Steubenville, and here he resides with with his widowed mother in the family homestead.

John T. Gibbons, M. D., graduated from the medical department of the University of Ohio as a member of the class of 1915, and in the following year he initiated the practice of his profession at Celina, judicial center of Mercer County. The succeeding year brought to him a call to a broader service along professional lines when the nation became involved in the great World war. While a student in the university he had served as sergeant in the Medical Corps of the Ohio National Guard, with assignment to the Fourth Regiment of Infantry, and this experience proved of value to him when, in 1917, he enlisted for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. At Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, he gained his commission as a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, and thence he was transferred to Camp Sherman, Ohio. In June, 1918, he entered overseas service, in command of 151 men, constituting the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Ambulance Company, and with this organization he was in active service both in France and Switzerland. He remained overseas some little time after the armistice brought the war to a close, and after his return to the United States he was mustered out, with attendant honorable discharge, on the 17th of February, 1919. He now holds appointment and commission as captain in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army.

Doctor Gibbons was born in Vinton County, Ohio, May 11, 1888, and is a son of George W. and Rose Ann (Collins) Gibbons, the latter of whom is deceased. George W. Gibbons was long numbered among the representative exponents of farm industry in Vinton County, and there he gave sixteen years of service as postmaster in the village of New Plymouth. In the high school of McArthur, judicial center of his native county, Doctor Gibbons was graduated in the year 1905, and thereafter he was for some time a student in the literary or academic department of the University of Ohio. He gave four years of successful service as a teacher in the public schools, and then entered the medical department of the University of Ohio, from which, as noted in the opening paragraph of this review, he was graduated as a member of the class of 1915. After the close of his World war service Doctor Gibbons resumed the active practice of his profession in the City of Celina, and here he has built up a specially substantial and representative general practice. At 117 East Fayette Street he erected a modern office building of ten rooms, and this is used exclusively by him, its appointments and equipment being of the most approved order. He has also just completed the erection of a modern home next door to his office building. Both structures are of the same type of architecture. Doctor Gibbons is one of the popular and influential members of the Mercer County Medical Society, of which he served as vice president in the year 1923, and he has membership also in the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In post-graduate lines the Doctor has attended the celbrated Mayo Brothers' Clinics at Rochester, Minnesota, and has done special work in anesthesia under the direction of Doctor McKesson of Toledo, Ohio. At Celina he is serving as medical examiner for the Ohio State Life Insurance Company, the Travelers Life Insurance Company, the New York Life Insurance Company, the Gem City (Michigan) Mutual Life Insurance Company, the People's Life Insurance Company, the Bankers Life Insurance Company, the Life Extension Institute, the Catholic Knights of Ohio, the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, and

the Midland and the New England Mutual Life Insurance companies.

In the Masonic fraternity Doctor Gibbons has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Knights of the Maccabees.

February 26, 1919, recorded the marriage of Doctor Gibbons and Miss Ruth C. Crampton, daughter of Ira E. and Lacey Crampton, who maintain their home at Celina, where the father is the executive head of the Crampton Canning Company. After completing a course in the Celina High School Mrs. Gibbons attended Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. She is active and popular in club and social affairs in her home county and state. Doctor and Mrs. Gibbons have two children, Rose Ann and John C.

Brig.-Gen. Edward Sigerfoos was the highest ranking officer of the American Expeditionary Forces killed in the World war. He was mortally wounded at the front September 29, 1918, and died in the base hospital eight days afterward. He is properly ranked as one of the famous Ohioans of his generation.

His old home community was in Darke County, though he was born in Miami County, December 14, 1868. His father, George W. Sigerfoos, was born in 1825, in Maryland, was taken to Montgomery County, Ohio, in 1834, and in early life was a farmer and school teacher and subsequently a brick maker. He became a merchant, and in 1872 established a business at Arcanum in Darke County, where he was engaged until his death, on October 16, 1875. He married in 1850 Nancy Shanck, who was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, in 1830. Of the children of George Sigerfoos and wife three, including Edward, gained distinction as educators. Miss Arabella, whose home is at Arcanum, graduated from the Michigan State Normal College and taught in Ohio and also in California. A son, Charles P. Sigerfoos, the older brother of Edward, was a graduate of the class of 1889 from the Ohio State University, and for a quarter of a century has been professor of zoology at the University of Minnesota.

Edward Sigerfoos attended public schools until he was sixteen, and in the fall of 1885 accompanied his older brother, Charles, to Ohio State University, spending two years in the preparatory school and graduating with the class of 1891. He took a lively interest in all phases of student life, distinguishing himself in his class rooms, becoming editor in chief of the "Lantern," took a prominent part in the literary society and won honors on the platform, and began his military career on the campus by becoming the captain of a company in the University Battalion, winning the prize sword for the best drilled company, and later a medal in a state contest at Portsmouth.

With such thoroughness of preparation it was not difficult for him to gain admission to the United States Army, which he did in less than two months after his graduation. On August 1, 1891, he was appointed second lieutenant of the Fifth United States Infantry. He did not find army life inconsistent with his serious habits of study, and while at Fort Leavenworth he achieved the title of "Honor Graduate" of the United States Infantry and Cavalry School in 1895. During the Christmas holidays of that year he married Miss Opal Robeson, of Greenville. In April, 1898, he was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, and four months later was sent to Cuba, where he served for more than a year as commissary under Gen. Leonard Wood. The war with Spain afforded him still further experience beyond the immediate boundaries of the United States, for he spent the next four years in the Philippines, and was commissioned a captain February 2, 1901, and made an adjutant the following September.

In 1905 Captain Sigerfoos was detailed to serve as professor of military science and tactics at the University of Minnesota, where his brother was professor of zoology. During his four years in this institution Edward Sigerfoos not only gained an enviable reputation as a teacher and commandant of University Cadets, but also found time for his self-improvement by completing the regular and post-graduate courses in law, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1908 and that of Master of Laws in 1909.

In 1915 he graduated highest in the class in the War College at Washington, though the youngest officer in the class. He remained there a year as a professor of war games, and then was given a taste of active service with Pershing on the Mexican border, after which he was sent to China. Meantime, he was acquitting himself with unfailing credit in every duty to which he was assigned, and was earning his promotions through major to colonel. As commandant of the American Forces he was in charge of the Red Cross Relief during the floods at Tien-tsin.

Colonel Sigerfoos was recalled from China soon after America entered the World war, and after a few months was sent to France and put in charge of a group of army schools at Langres. It was in the course of this duty that he several times went to the front. He had just been detailed in command of the Fifty-sixth Infantry Brigade at Mount Blainville in the Argonne Drive, and was wounded, dying October 7, 1918. He had been promoted to brigadier-general on the basis of a citation from Brig.-Gen. H. A. Smith, commanding the army schools. General Smith's citation read as follows: "I recommend that Col. Edward Sigerfoos, infantry, be promoted to be brigadier-general. Colonel Sigerfoos is a graduate of Ohio State University, is a polished and cultured man, and an officer of character and decision. He took charge of the Army School of the Line last May, and has made a great success of this school, which up to that time had been a failure. I believe that Colonel Sigerfoos merits this promotion."

One of his classmates at the university wrote of him: "There was little of the traditional army officer about him and much that belongs to the newer type. He consistently maintained and strengthened the Christian character which he possessed in youth. I never heard him use a word unfitted for the presence of wife or daughter. He was an abstainer, even of tobacco; and in his room at Langres I saw three things in prominent places: A picture of wife, daughter and son, the Bible and an American flag. To them he gave full devotion and from them he received the inspiration of a life that was strong, true and useful."

General Sigerfoos was survived by his wife and two children, Grace and Edward. The daughter, Grace, attended the University of Minnesota for a time, but graduated from the University of Michigan, class of 1923. After General Sigerfoos went to France his wife returned to her old home in Ohio, at Greenville, to live with her parents, but at present lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Theodore Dodd, M. D., has recognized precedence as one of the leading physicians and surgeons in his native County of Jefferson, at whose judicial center, the City of Steubenville, he has been established in the successful general practice of his profession for more than fifteen years, the while he has made it

an insistent policy to keep abreast of the advances made in medical and surgical science, both by continuous study and research and through the medium of well ordered post-graduate courses.

On his father's farm in Cross Creek Township, Jefferson County, Doctor Dodd was born January 23, 1867, and is a son of James Blair Dodd and Elizabeth (McLaren) Dodd, the former of whom died in 1907 in her eightieth year, and the latter of whom passed away in 1914, at the venerable age of eighty-seven years. Of the three children Dr. Theodore Dodd is the second born; David married Blanche McDevitt, and they became the parents of three children; Elizabeth is the wife of Charles Oliver.

James B. Dodd was born in that part of Virginia that now comprises West Virginia, and received good educational advantages, including those of Bethany College at Bethany, West Virginia. He was there a student when he formed the acquaintance of Miss Elizabeth McLaren, who was attending a seminary at Middletown, that state, and this acquaintanceship resulted in their marriage in the later '50s. James B. Dodd was a son of David Dodd, and both of his parents passed their entire lives in the historic Old Dominion State, the family name of the mother having been Curtiss. The paternal great-grandfather of Doctor Dodd was born and reared in Ireland, and upon coming to America he settled in Virginia, which commonwealth continued to be his place of residence until his death. Mrs. Elizabeth (McLaren) Dodd was born in Scotland and came to the United States in 1845, in company with her father, who had previously been a sailor on ocean vessels and who established the family home in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. James B. Dodd and his wife were persons of much intellectuality, and their home was known for its gracious hospitality, as well as for culture and refined atmosphere. Mr. Dodd was long numbered among the substantial representatives of farm industry in Jefferson County, where he and his wife established their home when they were young folk, and both were zealous members of the Church of Christ, in which he gave earnest service as an elder. The environment and discipline of the home farm compassed the boyhood and early youth of Doctor Dodd, and after attending the district schools he continued his higher studies in turn at Scio College and Mount Union College. He made a record of fifteen years of successful service as a teacher in the public schools of Ohio, his initial work having been in the district schools, in which he taught four years. For six years he was a teacher in the graded school at Bloomfield, Jefferson County; he was principal of the public schools of Richmond, this county, two years; and for three years he was principal of the high school at Mingo Junction, likewise in Jefferson County. Thus virtually all of his characteristically earnest and successful work as a teacher was staged in his native county, even as have been his able ministrations as a physician and surgeon.

Following the trend of his well formed ambition and purpose, Doctor Dodd finally entered the medical department of Purdue University, which institution has its seat at Lafayette, Indiana, with its medical school at Indianapolis, and he was graduated as a member of the class of 1907. Since thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he has been continuously engaged in general practice at Steubenville, and his professional business is one of broad scope and representative order. The doctor has fine ethical loyalty and professional stewardship, and makes his vocation a mission of human kindliness and helpfulness, with sympathy translated into service and with a personality that makes him always the *persona grata* in the sickroom. In his native county it is not overreaching the mark to state that his circle of friends is limited only by that of his acquaintances. He has taken post-graduate work in leading clinics in the City of Philadelphia and also in the great New York Polyclinic, in the national metropolis. In the World war period he served as medical examiner for the Draft Board of Jefferson County, besides doing all in his power to advance other patriotic service and activities in his home county and city. He is an influential member of the Jefferson County Medical Society, and is identified also with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a member of the staff of physicians and surgeons of the Ohio Valley Hospital in Steubenville, is a member of the Steubenville Automobile Club, and he and his wife are members of the Church of Christ.

May 13, 1913, recorded the marriage of Doctor Dodd and Miss Bessie C. Jones, who is a graduate nurse and who has thus been able greatly to assist her husband in his arduous professional work. Mrs. Dodd is a daughter of Albert Jones, who has long been engaged in the retail grocery business at St. Marys, West Virginia, his wife having died more than thirty years ago, and the two other children of the family being Walter and Brady, each of whom is married and has children. Doctor and Mrs. Dodd have three children: Verne, Theodore and Hugh C.

Nathan A. McCoy, Sr., is a veteran in the public service of the City of Columbus, being superintendent of the street cleaning, garbage and refuse collection department.

He was born in Columbus, October 22, 1871, son of Alfred McCoy, contracting decorator, locating in Columbus in 1864 after a service as a Union soldier with an Illinois regiment in the Civil war. He died about two years ago. His wife was Elizabeth J. Rhoades, daughter of Henry M. Rhoades, who was a farmer and mill worker. Elizabeth McCoy is now past eighty years of age. Nathan A. McCoy, Sr., was reared and educated at Columbus, and during 1905-06 served as an inspector of the waterworks department. On January 15, 1912, he was made superintendent of the street cleaning department under Mayor George Karb. He has had charge of this service ever since, and due to a recent consolidation of three departments into one, he now supervises the activities of a force of about 275 men. A complete revolution in methods has occurred since he took charge of the office. All the sweeping is now done by motor, and many other changes made to improve the efficiency of this vital department. Mr. McCoy is a member of the National Association of Sanitation.

He has been prominent in the democratic party, being a member of the Democratic Central Committee seventeen years and its chairman during several campaigns. He is treasurer of the County Democratic Club. He belongs to the Elks, the Hound Club, and the Spanish War Veterans. During the Spanish-American war he became a lieutenant in Company F of the Fourth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and subsequently was promoted to captain. Prior to this promotion he served as active quartermaster and commissary officer in the District of Cayey, Porto Rico, under command of General Fred D. Grant. During the World war he sold $35,000 worth of Liberty Bonds to his force in the street cleaning department.

Mr. McCoy married Miss Mary Grace Abblichon, of Columbus. Their four children are Nathan A., Jr., Elizabeth Jane, Walter C. and Robert W.

Thomas W. Vance. Few men in Jefferson County are better known or have a wider circle of loyal

friends than Thomas W. Vance, who has here been called to various offices of public trust, has given service of faithful efficiency, and now holds the position of chief deputy auditor of the county. As one of the popular and representative citizens of the county he well merits recognition in this history of the Buckeye State.

Mr. Vance was born in Smith Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania, September 5, 1855, and is a son of John Stockton Vance and Emily Hutchison (Jerome) Vance, the former having been a son of William and Hannah (Patterson) Vance, who passed their entire lives in the old Keystone State, where the family was founded more than a century ago. Three brothers became the original representatives of the Vance family in America, one having settled in Virginia, one in Tennessee, and one, the ancestor of the subject of this review, having established his home in Pennsylvania. In later generations the family name has been one of prominence in various other states of the Union, including Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana.

John Stockton Vance was venerable in years at the time of his death, which occurred in February, 1905, he having been a substantial farmer and honored citizen of Washington County, Pennsylvania. His political support was given to the republican party, and both he and his wife, whose death occurred in June, 1895, were earnest members of the Presbyterian Church. Of their fine family of eleven children nine attained to adult age, namely: Caroline, William O., Charles J., Thomas W., Joseph G., John F., Francis B., Viola V. and Mary G.

In his boyhood and early youth Thomas W. Vance had due fellowship with the activities of the home farm, the while he profited by the advantages of the district schools of his native county. Thereafter he completed a thorough commercial course in the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York, and he has been a resident of Steubenville, Ohio, since he was a youth of twenty-two years. He came to this city in July, 1878, and among his earlier activities here were the buying and shipping of wool and the rendering of expert service in the auditing of books for business concerns. He gained secure place in popular confidence and esteem in the county of his adoption, and this was distinctly signalized when in 1890 he was elected county recorder, an office in which he gave a careful and effective administration and of which he continued the incumbent until 1897. He then became collector for the water department of the city government, and his service in this capacity continued ten years, at the expiration of which, in 1908, he accepted a clerkship in the Union Deposit Bank, with which he was thus connected four years. From 1912 to 1923 Mr. Vance gave his attention to the real estate business, and was concerned in the buying and selling of many city and farm properties. In 1923 he was appointed chief deputy auditor of Jefferson County, the office of which he is the valued incumbent at the time of this writing, besides which he continues in an appreciable degree his real estate operations. He and his wife have a pleasant home at 527 North Third Street, and both hold membership in the Presbyterian Church, as did also his first wife. In the York Rite of the Masonic fraternity the maximum affiliation of Mr. Vance is with the Steubenville Commandery of Knights Templar, and in the Scottish Rite he has received the thirty-second degree, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and a member of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Pennsylvania. He has never wavered in loyalty to the republican party, and in a local way has been active in the advancing of its cause.

August 21, 1883, recorded the marriage of Mr. Vance and Miss Mary E. Finigan, a daughter of the late Robert Finigan, of Jefferson County, and she was summoned to the life eternal October 27, 1891. Of the children of this union the eldest is Nina M., who is the wife of Jay S. Paisley and the mother of four children—Mary Katherine, Nina Margaret, Emery Vance and Ann Jane. Frederick E., next in order of birth, is the subject of an individual sketch on other pages of this work. Miss Anna E. holds the responsible position of assistant secretary of the Steubenville Building & Loan Association, a position she has held for the past fourteen years. She remains at the paternal home. John Stockton, youngest of the children, sacrificed his life in as distinct a way as those who fell on the field of battle in the World war, he having entered the United States Army in August, 1918, and having been stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia, when he was attacked by the prevailing epidemic of influenza, which there resulted in his death on the 6th of October, 1918, about one month prior to the close of the great war in which he was preparing to serve when called to the stage of conflict.

The second marriage of Mr. Vance was solemnized December 5, 1905, when Mrs. Emma Wanenmacher became his wife. They have no children.

Lee Berton Peterson, D. D. S., is a native of Jefferson County, where his family was identified with the pioneer settlements, and for a quarter of a century has been engaged in a successful practice, most of the time at Steubenville.

Doctor Peterson was born at Bergholz, Jefferson County, March 21, 1877. His Peterson ancestors came to the United States from Wales, but an earlier generation had settled in Wales from Sweden. The founder of the family in Eastern Ohio was the great-great-grandfather of Doctor Peterson, Thomas Peterson, who came about 1779 and acquired about one thousand acres of land on the present site of Bergholz. He is buried in the cemetery there, a stone bearing 1819 as the date of his death. The grandparents of Doctor Peterson were John and Hannah (Miller) Peterson, Colonel John having served in the War of 1812. Daniel M. Peterson, father of Doctor Peterson, was a farmer and for many years proprietor of a general mercantile store at Bergholz, and finally retired and lived in Steubenville, where he died in October, 1921. He was the youngest of his parents' family, and had a brother in the Civil war. He was an active member of the United Presbyterian Church. Daniel M. Peterson married Hannah M. (Dorrance) who died in March, 1905. Her father was Samuel Dorrance, and her mother, a McMaster, both representatives of the Scotch-Irish ancestry. The four children of Daniel M. Peterson and wife were: Gammel, who married Laura Neil, and had four children, named Gilbert, Clyde, Harry and Howard; Dr. J. G., of Zanesville, Ohio, who married Wilmer Carlson, and has three children: Margaret, wife of Dr. H. H. Erskine, of Steubenville; and Lee Berton.

Lee Berton Peterson was reared at Bergholz, attended district school there and the Bergholz Academy. After finishing the course at the academy in 1895 he began the study of dentistry, and took a course at the Ohio State University of Columbus, graduating with the degree Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1898. Doctor Peterson was for two years in practice at Smithfield, and since then has been in Steubenville. He does a large business in the profession, and employs three assistants in his offices. During the World war he was a member of the War Board in the county, and acted in every drive and campaign. He is former president of the Ohio Den-

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tal Association and a member of the National Dental Society. He is a trustee of Muskingum College, a director of the Steubenville Young Men's Christian Association, director of the Steubenville Mortgage Company, belongs to the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Steubenville Country Club, and is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. Doctor Peterson is an elder in the United Presbyterian Church, and for twelve years was superintendent of its Sunday school.

He married at Steubenville, December 11, 1902, Miss Lucy Worthington McGee, who was left an orphan when a small child. She is a representative of the old New England name of Worthington. One member of this family was Col. A. S. Worthington, secretary to Edwin Stanton during the Civil war and took all the testimony in the trial of President Johnson. Mrs. Peterson's father was a railroad conductor, and was a Mason and Methodist. He had three brothers: Maurice, who married Lena Hayes; Benjamin D. McGee, who holds the rank of commander in the United States Navy and is now at the Navy Yard at Norfolk, Virginia, and is married and has two children, Ann and Jean; and Fred B. McGee.

The three children of Doctor and Mrs. Peterson are Howard Worthington, Lee Berton, Jr., and Daniel M. Howard Worthington, born in 1904, is a graduate of the Steubenville High School and a member of the class of 1926 in the Dental Department of the Ohio State University at Columbus.

J. Wylie Sanders is one of the vital and successful representatives of the automobile business in the City of Steubenville, Jefferson County, and represented his native county in the national military service at the time of the World war.

Mr. Sanders was born on a farm in Jefferson County, August 12, 1896, and in this county his parents, John C. and Annie B. (Shane) Sanders, still maintains their home, the father having been a successful farmer and gardener and having owned and operated a threshing machine, besides having been a contractor in road grading. The parents are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Winterville. Of the children the eldest is Albert C., who married Beulah Burns, their one child being a son, Eugene. Eva is the wife of Stewart McCoy, and they have three children: Gayle, Eunice and Annise, who are twins. Frederick P. married Lucile McCoy, and their children are Maurice and Frederick. J. Wylie, of this review, was the next in order of birth. Austin married Mary George, and they have a daughter, Geraldine. Floyd and Cecil remain at the parental home. The lineage of the Sanders family is of sterling Scotch-Irish origin, and the first representatives of the family in Ohio came from Pennsylvania. The grandparents of the subject of this sketch were Thomas and Mary Jane (Carr) Sanders. Mrs. Annie B. (Shane) Sanders was born in Pennsylvania, and was young when she accompanied her parents on their removal from that state to Ohio.

The district schools of Jefferson County gave to J. Wylie Sanders his fundamental education, which was advanced by his attending the Steubenville High School and by a partial course in Bethany College. He was an ambitious and self-reliant youth when he established himself in the automobile garage and repair business at Steubenville, and from a modest inception he has built up one of the leading enterprises of this kind in this city, with a repair department with the best of facilities for all phases of work, besides which he has become local agent for the Chandler and Cleveland automobiles. His brother Frederick P. has recently become associated with him in the business.

On the 5th of September, 1918, Mr. Sanders entered service in the United States Army, in preparation for active military duty in the great World war. At Camp Sherman, near Chillicothe, Ohio, he was assigned to service at the headquarters of the cavalry arm of the Ninety-fifth Division, and after the armistice brought the war to a close he remained at Camp Sherman until he received his honorable discharge, December 15, 1918. He is affiliated with the Knights of the Maccabees, and he and his wife hold membership in the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Steubenville.

May 28, 1919, recorded the marriage of Mr. Sanders and Miss Margaret Harris, second of the children of William and Anna Harris, who are well known residents of Jefferson County. The other children of the Harris family are: Anna (Mrs. John Floyd), Helen (Mrs. John Martin), Elizabeth, Walter and Robert. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders have a fine little son, Roland William.

William Fostnaught has practiced law at Van Wert for eighteen years, and by his individual attainments has added to the record of a justly distinguished family in this section of Ohio.

The Fostnaughts have been in Ohio since the wilderness days of the Northwest Territory. They are of remote German ancestry. There was an Adam Fostnaught, whose son, John Fostnaught, a native of Pennsylvania, founded the family in Ohio, settling in Fairfield County, where he did the work of a pioneer in clearing up a farm. His son, Wendell Fostnaught, was born in Fairfield County, and died when comparatively young at Circleville, Ohio. His wife was Sarah Wright, a native of Fairfield County, daughter of James Wright and granddaughter of David Wright, both natives of Pennsylvania. David Wright was an officer in the American army during the war for independence, and his sword is still preserved by his descendants. This Revolutionary soldier came to Ohio and was one of the earliest settlers of Fairfield County. Both he and his son James followed farming, and the latter improved two farms in Fairfield County. Both spent their last days in Franklin County. After the death of Wendell Fostnaught his widow married William Ward in 1838. They moved to Allen County, Ohio, and for nine years made their home in a log cabin. They finally returned to Fairfield County, where they lived out their lives.

James Fostnaught, a son of Wendell Fostnaught, and father of William Fostnaught, the attorney, was born in a log cabin in Clear Creek Township of Fairfield County, November 2, 1835, and was a small child when his father died. He spent his early life in Allen County, attending a primitive frontier school, and when not in school he assisted his stepfather on the farm. When he left home to begin work for himself he received thirteen dollars a month as a farm hand. Later he rented a farm in Fairfield County, and from 1862 to 1868 lived in Seneca County. It was in 1868 that he established his home in Van Wert County, buying land in Willshire Township. He continued farming there until 1881, and then moved to the City of Van Wert, and was an honored resident of that community until his death on November 6, 1918, at the venerable age of eighty-three.

In 1859 James Fostnaught married Matilda Ruse, who was born in Franklin County, Ohio, in 1837, daughter of Emanuel and Mary (Marks) Ruse. Her father was a native of Virginia, of German ancestry, and as a young man moved to Franklin County, Ohio. His wife, Mary Marks, was a daughter of Christian

Marks, a native of Alsace and who followed the great Napoleon as a soldier, participating in the battle of Austerlitz and in the invasion of Russia. After the exile of Napoleon he came to the United States and spent his last days on a farm in Franklin County. The six children of Mr. and Mrs. James Fostnaught were Perry, Timothy, Peter, Mary, James and William. Mary, the only daughter, is the widow of H. J. Wilson, formerly a hardware merchant at Van Wert. All the sons at some time or another have been identified with educational work as teachers. Perry, Timothy and James are now associated in the real estate business at Van Wert. Perry served as superintendent of schools at Convoy, at Scott, Ohio City and elsewhere. Timothy was a school superintendent at Ohio City and Scott. Peter had charge of the schools at Grover Hill, Latty and Wren, was district superintendent of Van Wert County, and is now retired after forty years' active work in the public schools of Ohio. The son James taught school for several years, studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1906, and has since had a busy law practice. The combined service of the five brothers in public schools was about ninety years.

William Fostnaught was born on the home farm in Willshire Township of Van Wert County, March 16, 1877, and was about four years of age when the family moved to Van Wert, the county seat. He was educated in the public schools there, graduating from high school in 1895. For several years he taught school, both in the country districts and at Van Wert, and at the same time was carrying on his law studies under W. S. Johnson. He was admitted to the bar in 1906, and for some time has had one of the largest individual practices in the county. Mr. Fostnaught is the owner of 124 acres in Van Wert County, Ohio, together with considerable real estate in the City of Van Wert. In 1922 he was a democratic candidate for Common Pleas judge of Van Wert County, and in a county with a normal majority of 1,200 republicans he was defeated by only 215 votes. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

Harry P. Boyer is one of the successful representatives of the newspaper and job printing business in his native county of Jefferson, where he is the owner of the job printing plant under the firm name of Boyer Printing Company. He is one of the most liberal and progressive citizens and business men of the thriving little City of Toronto, and is a scion of one of the sterling pioneer families of this section of the Buckeye State.

Mr. Boyer was born at Steubenville, judicial center of Jefferson County, January 10, 1872, and is a son of Intrepid Morse Boyer and Mary Ann (Corbett) Boyer, the former of whom still resides at Steubenville, where the death of the devoted wife and mother occurred May 22, 1912. Intrepid Morse Boyer was born October 16, 1838, his wife was born December 29, 1839, and their marriage was solemnized December 29, 1862. Concerning the children of this union the following brief data are consistently entered here: Jennie Olivia was born December 10, 1863; Charles Alfred was born March 17, 1866, and his death occurred August 27, 1922; Mary Eva was born March 16, 1868; Lillie was born May 24, 1870, and her death occurred on the 31st of the following December; Harry P., of this review, was the next in order of birth; Jessie Corbett was born September 25, 1875; and William D. was born May 29, 1880.

Intrepid M. Boyer was born and reared in Ohio, and is a son of John and Elizabeth Boyer. The first representatives of the Boyer family in Ohio moved to this state from Pennsylvania, and the lineage of the family traces back to Holland Dutch origin. Intrepid M. Boyer most fully justified his first personal name in his gallant service in defense of the Union in the Civil war. He became a member of the One Hundred and Fifty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and with the same he served until severe illness resulted in his honorable discharge. After recuperating he enlisted again, and after serving on the gunboat Lexington until the vessel was disabled and thus placed out of commission, he made another enlistment, under which he continued in service until the close of the war. He is now one of the venerable and honored citizens of Steubenville, where for many years he followed the tinning business and where he is now living retired. He is one of the veteran members of the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife was a daughter of John and Jane Corbett, the first American representatives of the Corbett family having come from Ireland.

In the public schools of Steubenville Harry P. Boyer continued his studies until the close of his sophomore year in the high school, and he then initiated his alliance with the "art preservative of all arts" by entering upon an apprenticeship in the office of the old Steubenville Herald, under the control of P. B. Conn and Joseph Doyle. He was thus engaged several years, and in the meanwhile gained a comprehensive knowledge of the various details of the printing and newspaper business—a discipline that has consistently been termed the equivalent of a liberal education. He further fortified himself through service in printing establishments at Pittsburgh and other large cities, and after his return to Steubenville he was for a time associated with Sprague & Connahan, which later became the H. C. Cook Company, in the job printing business. In 1908 he severed this alliance and purchased an interest in the Toronto Tribune, of which he had control for thirteen years, the while his progressive policies brought the Tribune up to a high standard, with prestige as one of the leading newspapers published in Jefferson County. During the entire period of his residence at Toronto Mr. Boyer has shown lively and loyal interest in all that concerns the civic and material welfare of the community, and several years ago gave effective service as president of the Toronto Board of Trade. He was a member of the Executive War Board of Jefferson County in the period of the World war, and had much of leadership in all local patriotic service and work. He is a republican in politics, but has invariably refused to become a candidate for political office. He is not only a Knight Templar Mason, but has also received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He has passed the official chairs in various Masonic bodies with which he is affiliated, and is thus a past master of his lodge of ancient-craft Masonry, besides which he is a member of the Ohio State Masonic Body of Deliberation, the same being comprised of past officers of the great fraternity. His Masonic connections include his membership also in the Order of the Eastern Star, and he has affiliation also with the Sons of Veterans and the Knights of Pythias, and is an active member of the Kiwanis Club. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Protestant Church at Toronto.

At Steubenville, on the 21st of April, 1896, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Boyer and Miss Sarah E. Knowles, daughter of John and Margaret (Anderson) Knowles, both now deceased. Of the nine children in the Knowles family the eldest was James, deceased, survived by his widow, whose maiden name was Jessie Horner, and also by three children. Annie is the wife of Allison Beckley, and they have four children. Lou is the deceased wife of Russell Jamison, and they had three children. Mrs. Boyer was the next in order of birth. Thomas married Sarah Collins,

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and they have two children. Isabel is the wife of George Smith. George married and has one child. Albert married Cora Miller, and they had several children. Fannie is the wife of Charles Westlake, and they have two children. Charles married Petura Campbell, and they have children. The father of Mrs. Boyer was a young man when he came from his native Ireland to the United States, and soon afterward the Civil war was precipitated. His loyalty to the land of his adoption was shown by his prompt enlistment in the Regular Army of the United States, and he was assigned to the First Cavalry Regiment, United States of America. With this command he served under the dashing Gen. George Custer, who later met his death in a conflict with the Western Indians—an engagement known in history as the Custer massacre—and it was given Mr. Knowles to take part in many engagements and to prove himself a valiant and faithful soldier. He was finally captured, and for some time was held as a prisoner of war in old Andersonville Prison.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyer have but one child, Miss Clara Stewart Boyer, who is an efficient principal in the public schools of Toronto and a popular figure in the representative social life of this community.

HARRY A. BELL. The practice of law in growing volume, including both court work and office counsel, has engaged Harry A. Bell at Steubenville for a quarter of a century, a community that judges him one of the most substantial citizens and successful men.

He was born in Wayne Township, Jefferson County, Ohio, September 19, 1871, son of Robert and Sarah J. (Moore) Bell, and grandson of John and Nancy Bell and Edward and Amelia Moore. The Bells came to Ohio from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Robert Bell died April 16, 1910. He gave his life to his home and family and the management of a farm. He was a Baptist. Sarah J. Bell died May 24, 1924. He and his wife had six children: Dr. Oscar E.; Harry A.; William A., who married Carrie B. Cole, and has three children, named Clark, Countess and Gladys; Howard M., who married Bessie O. Nation, and has one child, Agyle; Gertrude M., who married Ross Gottshal, their three children being Maynard, Roxie and Justin; and Tracey V., who married Ott Master and has a daughter, Vera B.

Harry A. Bell spent his boyhood on the farm, attended district school, took an academic course in Hopedale Normal College, and at Columbus was a member of the class of 1898 in the Ohio State University Law School. Before graduating he took the bar examination, was admitted March 11, 1898, and at once engaged in practice at Steubenville. Besides his regular attendance in all the local courts he has handled cases in the various Federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Bell served as judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County from 1912 to 1915, and is a member of the Democratic State Central Committee. During the war he was a member of the Legal Advisory Board in 1917-18. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the County and State Bar associations.

He married Myrtle E. Piersol, of Flushing, Ohio, daughter of Joseph G. and Rebecca H. (Leighty) Piersol. Her parents came to Ohio from Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and afterward returned to Fayette County, while her maternal grandparents, Stephen and Lyda Leighty, were also early residents of Ohio. Mrs. Bell's father, Joseph G. Piersol, died in December, 1911. She is the oldest in a family of five children. Her brother William married Elizabeth Cunnard, and has three children, the oldest, Mary, being married and the mother of Ralph and Ruth, while the other two are Smith and Pearl. Stella Piersol married Ross Essington, their two children being Joseph and James C. James S. Piersol's first wife was Myrtle Kirk, by which union there were two children, Esther and Mildred. Lyda Piersol married John Wagner and has four children, Mary, Myrtle, Marie and Juanita. Mr. and Mrs. Bell are the parents of one son, Robert Piersol Bell.

CHARLES JAMES MCCONNELL. By reason of the extent of his interests, Charles James McConnell is recognized as one of the foremost citizens of Steubenville, where he has been a resident for nearly a half century. His career is typical of those of other reliant, industrious and persistent men who have fought their way through obstacles to ultimate position and prosperity, and forms an interesting chapter in the business history of this enterprising Ohio community.

Mr. McConnell was born May 28, 1853, in Hancock County, West Virginia, and is a son of James and Eliza J. (Wilson) McConnell and a grandson of James and Jennie McConnell. His father, during a rather varied career, was variously employed. For a time he worked as a stationary engineer, and then took his family to Toronto, Ohio, where he was the incumbent of several city positions, including that of city commissioner. Both he and his worthy wife had been born in Ireland, where they were married, coming to this country about 1850 and first settling in Jefferson County, Ohio, then moving into Hancock County, West Virginia, and subsequently returning to Toronto, Jefferson County, where Mr. McConnell died about 1906 and Mrs. McConnell, about 1914. They were originally Presbyterians in religious faith, but later adopted the faith of the Methodist Protestant Church. Mr. McConnell was a Mason. There were twelve children in the family, of whom nine are living: Eliza Jane, Charles James, John W., Ella, Amanda (deceased), Robert, Maria (1) (who died when one year old), Maria (2) (who died at the age of eighteen years), Anna, William, Wesley and Isabell. Of the living all are married with the exception of William.

Charles James McConnell attended a district school in Hancock County, West Virginia, and an academy at Toronto, Ohio, which was taught by a minister. At the age of eighteen years he completed his studies and began to work at whatever honorable employment he could find, including common laboring, as he was without a trade. Eventually he was stricken with a severe case of typhoid fever, and after a slow recovery his health was so impaired that he was unable to continue hard work and accordingly pursued a course at Duff's Commercial College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Returning home in 1870, he went to work as a clerk in the store of his uncle, and later he and his father bought his uncle's interests and conducted the store under the name of James McConnell & Son for five years. In 1875 Mr. McConnell came to Steubenville and became a clerk in the clothing store of May & Howerter, who dissolved partnership two years later and the firm became Wm. May, afterwards changed to May & Brothers, with whom Mr. McConnell remained until 1882, at which time he engaged in business on his own account, when he formed a partnership with a Mr. Foreman. The firm of Foreman & McConnell continued in business until 1890, when Mr. Foreman died. In the meantime, in 1888, the firm had purchased the property at 330 Market Street where the business was located. In the fall of 1890 Mr. McConnell bought out the heirs of Mr. Foreman and continued in business until he retired from all active participation in the clothing business in 1919.

He sold out to his two sons, Paul and Harry, and a Mr. Phillips, who had been employed by the firm for some ten or twelve years.

In 1919 Mr. McConnell became one of the administrators for the estate of Mary Emma Watson, the property being valued at that time at $60,000. So successfully did he handle this estate that in 1924, when he made his final report to the court and received his release, they were able to turn over to the beneficiaries more than $200,000. In 1896 Mr. McConnell was one of the organizers of the Jefferson Building & Savings Company, of which he is now president, this having grown to a concern of $3,000,000 assets during the past twenty-eight years. He is also a director in the National Exchange Bank, the oldest bank of Steubenville; one of the appraisers of property for the city; a director in the Peerless Clay Company of Toronto and a director and treasurer of the Walla Walla Orchard Company of the State of Washington, and has numerous other interests. His religious connection is with the Methodist Protestant Church, and fraternally he has been identified with Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, since 1885.

On September 28, 1876, Mr. McConnell was united in marriage with Mary E. Sloan, of what was then Sloans Station, which later was changed to Toronto, Jefferson County, Ohio, and a daughter of David A. and Jane (Hood) Sloan, the former a well known agriculturist. The Sloans were the pioneer family of Jefferson County, and owned a large acreage there, most of which was located on or near the present site of the Town of Toronto. In 1879 the family held a reunion, at which there were five generations present. David A. and Jane Sloan had the following children: William E.; Mary E.; Mrs. McConnell, who died August 5, 1922; James; John O.; and Grace, who died at the age of six years. Two sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. McConnell: Harry S., a sketch of whose career will appear elsewhere in this work; and Paul Brown, one of the proprietors of the clothing business of which his father was the head for so many years.

Jay S. Paisley, of Steubenville, has practiced law there for a quarter of a century, and is also president of the Steubenville Gazette, one of the influential newspapers of this section of the Ohio valley.

Mr. Paisley was born at Irondale, Jefferson County, Ohio, September 22, 1876, son of James E. and Catherine (McLean) Paisley. The Paisley family is of Scotch ancestry and came to America about 1803. His grandfather was Samuel Paisley. James E. Paisley is now eighty years of age, and still active. At the age of seventeen he enlisted in the Union Army for service in the Civil war as a member of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Ohio Infantry. He became sergeant and participated in a number of battles, including the Wilderness and Cedar Creek. After his return from the army he married, took up the study of law, and for many years has served as justice of the peace at Irondale. He is a republican, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, is a trustee of the Methodist Church, a member of the Masonic Lodge and the County Bar Association. His wife, Catherine, died in 1882, leaving two children, Jay S. and Alena, who is the wife of Warren Menough and has five children, named, John, Catherine, Donald, James C. and Charles. Mr. Paisley married the second time, in 1884, Rebecca Beard, and to them were born three children: Wilma, who married Charles McFadden, of Irondale; Robert B., a business man of Irondale; and James O., who is in the railroad service at Irondale.

Jay S. Paisley attended public schools at Irondale, finishing his high school course there in 1895. He took the scientific and law courses in the Ohio Northern University of Ada, and finished his law studies in Ohio State University at Columbus, where he was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1899. Mr. Paisley began practice in the office of Gov. R. G. Richards, and was elected and served two terms, beginning 1908, as prosecuting attorney of Jefferson County. His law practice has brought him in connection with many of the important cases tried in the local and district courts. He received the republican nomination for judge of the Common Pleas Court and was elected, taking office the first of the year 1925. Some years ago he became connected with the Steubenville Gazette, and he gave a part of his time to the management of the paper.

Mr. Paisley is a member of the County and State Bar associations, a member of the United Presbyterian Church, and fraternally is a Knight Templar Mason, also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Sons of Veterans, Redmen, and is a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

He married at Steubenville in March, 1907, Miss Nina Vance, a daughter of Thomas and Mary (Finnegan) Vance. Her father is in the real estate business at Steubenville, and served two terms as county recorder. He has been prominent in republican circles, and is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and a Presbyterian. Mrs. Paisley is the oldest of four children, the others being: Anna; Earl, who married Miss Barton, of Barton, Ohio, and has a daughter, Jane; John, who died of the influenza at Camp Lee while a soldier in the World war. Mr. and Mrs. Paisley have four children, named Mary Katherine, Margaret, Vance and Jane.

Robert Sherrard Hill. Among the prominent retired citizens of Steubenville, now living in comfortable circumstances as a result of many years of active labor, one who is widely known and greatly respected is Robert Sherrard Hill, for thirty-five years an active and successful agriculturist of Jefferson County. Mr. Hill has spent his entire life in this county, having been born on a farm near Steubenville, October 4, 1858, a son of Joseph Welsh and Mary Ann (Sherrard) Hill.

The ancestry of Mr. Hill contains some interesting names identified with the early history of the country. His paternal grandfather was Robert Hill, who was born February 15, 1761, at Hillsborough, Ireland, and accompanied his parents to America in 1768, the family settling in Washington County, Pennsylvania. On April 12, 1806, he came to Steubenville Township, Jefferson County, where he purchased a large tract of land from Joseph W. Dorsey, paying therefor $5 per acre. In 1790 he married in Washington County, Pennsylvania, Rosemond Welsh, who was born in Maryland and moved to Washington County with her parents, John and Eleanor (Hill) Welsh. The grandmother of Mary Mears Hill, Mary Boggs, married Edward Menager, born at Gallipolis, Ohio. His father was Claudius Romain Menager, of royal blood from Normandy, France, who came to the United States in 1790 and settled at Alexandria, Virginia. General La Fayette attended his wedding at Pittsburgh when he married Mary Bobine. She was the only survivor of a noble family in France which was wiped out during the French Revolution, escaping with some five hundred others who took vessels and escaped to the United States. The father of Mary Boggs was William Boggs, a Revolutionary soldier, whose mother was born at the Argyle house of the Duke of Argyle, Inverary Castle.

Joseph Welsh Hill, the father of Robert S. Hill, was born June 1, 1811, and followed farming throughout a long and useful career, his death occurring

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February 22, 1877. He was a man of standing in his community, was an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and for a number of years served as a member of the School Board. His wife, who was born March 26, 1817, died in 1893. They were the parents of five children: Rosemond C., who is single; Elizabeth J., single; Martha S., who married Dr. David R. Kerr, of the Presbyterian ministry, for thirteen years president of Bellview College, and had six children, William H., Fred, deceased, Mary S., David, Jr., Julia and Robert; Mary who married Jesse M. Bennett, of Mount Pleasant; and Robert Sherrard.

Robert Sherrard Hill attended district school and the Steubenville High School, and after his graduation from the latter returned to the home farm, of which he took charge. For thirty-five years he tilled the fertile fields and also bred Percheron horses and Merino sheep, and the 551 acres were cultivated and utilized in a way that displayed his good management and ability as a husbandman. Some of this land has since been converted into coal mines, bringing Mr. Hill a handsome revenue. For the past several years he has lived at Steubenville, where he has a pleasant home and a wide circle of appreciative friends.

On June 30, 1885, at Steubenville, Mr. Hill married Miss Mary Mears, daughter of Thomas and Henrietta (Menager) Mears, the former of whom was born August 12, 1831, and died in October, 1887, and the latter, of old Virginia, born September 22, 1833, died January 24, 1892. She was born near Point Pleasant, where Lord Ashburton settled the treaty, and married Mr. Mears October 22, 1857. They had five children: James, who died in infancy; William S., who married Ella B. Moore, and had three children, Thomas V., Victoria Ella and Wilbert Kenneth; Edward M., who died single April 5, 1900; Mary; and Henrietta, who died June 4, 1870. Mr. Mears was born in Gurtanewry House, County Derry, Ireland, and came to the United States in 1850, settling at Pittsburgh, whence he came to Steubenville and became a man of considerable wealth. He was active in politics and wielded some influence in the community. Out West at the time of the completion of the Union Pacific Railway, he was with the party that drove the golden spike signifying the completion of the great project. To Mr. and Mrs. Hill there have been born the following children: Henrietta M., who married W. L. Hogarth and had three children, William L., Jr., Robert Ernest and Donald; Mary S., who married Robert W. Watson and has two children, Robert H., Jr., and Mary Mears Hill Watson; Nancy Mears, who married Clay D. Housel and has one child, Mildred; Laura Mears, who married Charles T. Buehler and has one child, Wilma; and Anna Virginia, who married Edward Atwood Hill, and had three children, Robert S. II, Kathleen, who died in 1918, and Wood Ramsey. The family belongs to the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Marshall Alexander Smith, president of the Smith Agricultural Chemical Company, and an active business man of Columbus for nearly thirty years, is a native of Ohio, and inherits some of the sturdy virtues and rugged character of the old New England stock found in his forebears, who were among the earliest pioneers of Delaware and adjoining counties in this state.

His ancestry possesses general historic interest, and is unusually rich in Revolutionary records. Mr. Smith was born near Sunbury, in Delaware County, May 23, 1869, son of Marshall Black and Elvira Abbie (Thrall) Smith. Mr. Smith is descended in direct line from Nehemiah Smith, the first of this family in America, who was born at Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, England, about 1605. His coat of arms showed: Arms-Barry of six, ermine and gules, a lion rampant, ducally crowned sable. Crest-Anheraldic tiger passant; argent, wounded on the shoulder, gules. Nehemiah Smith made application to be admitted as freeman at Plymouth, Massachusetts, March 6, 1637. His wife, Anne Bourne, was of aristocratic lineage. Later he moved to Stratford, Connecticut, and was the largest land owner of any of the first settlers. He was a minister of the Gospel and died in 1686.

Another ancestor in the paternal line was David Smith, who was born near Wilkes-Barre in the Wyoming Valley of Pennsylvania, in 1770. In 1779, following the terrible massacre of the inhabitants of this valley by the British and Indians, David Smith with two other children was carried away in captivity and kept for six months. David Smith married Sarah Murphy and early in the following century came to Ohio, settling near Galena, in Delaware County, where he died in 1845.

A number of other prominent characters in the early history of New England are included in the ancestry of Mr. Smith, in both the paternal and maternal lines. One of them was John Howland of the Mayflower, and another, Peter Brown, one of the signers of the Mayflower compact of 1620. His mother's ancestor, William Thrall, came to Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1630, on the ship Mary and John. Others are: Richard Mather, the ancestor of the famous Cotton Mather; Thomas Chase, the forebear of Salmon P. Chase, and other distinguished Americans of this name; Robert Holmes, the progenitor of the Stonington Holmes family for whom the town of Stonington, Connecticut, was named; Obediah Gore, the progenitor of Captain Obediah Gore of Norwich, Connecticut, a prominent military figure in the Colonial wars; Samuel Sherman (early spelling Shermon), the ancestor of a long line of notable Americans; and a large number of members of these families who took part in the American Revolutionary war.

James Smith, son of David, and grandfather of Marshall A., was for many years the leading business man of Sunbury. He married Melissa Black, whose name introduces another interesting record of ancestral connections.

Melissa Black was a daughter of Marshall and Polly (Gardner) Black. Her grandfather, Isaac Black, was born in Berkshire, Massachusetts, in 1745, and was one of the pioneer New England settlers of Delaware County, Ohio. He died at Cheshire in that county in 1826. Isaac Black married Mehitable Brown, whose father died in the Revolutionary war. Their son, Marshall Black, married Polly Gardner, daughter of Stewart and Lydia (Ames) Gardner, whose ancestors came over in the Mayflower. Marshall Black, his wife and children moved from Genesee County, New York, to Springfield, Ohio, and a few months later, in December, 1817, removed to the Yankee settlement at Cheshire, Delaware County.

Marshall Black Smith, father of the Columbus business man, was born at Sunbury, near Galena, in Delaware County, in 1837, and died at his home at Westerville, Ohio, October 8, 1900. For many years he was a prominent merchant and banker at Sunbury and Westerville. In 1861 he married Miss Elvira Abbie Thrall, who is still living.

She is a direct descendant in the eighth generation from William Thrall, who founded the Thrall family in America, coming, as previously noted, from England in 1630. The Thralls were among the first families of Granville, Massachusetts. Elvira Abbie Thrall is also a descendant of the tenth generation from Rev. Richard Mather of Massachusetts, father of Increase Mather and grandfather of Cotton Mather. Through

the Thralls he is also a descendant of Peter Brown of the Mayflower.

Elvira Abbie Thrall's parents were William Cooley and Mary Chase (West) Thrall. Her great-grandfather, Captain William Cooley, commanded a company in John Moseby's Regiment of Massachusetts Militia in the Revolution, fought under Washington at White Plains, and was wounded November 16, 1776. Samuel Thrall, Sr., grandfather of William Cooley Thrall, was staff quartermaster in Colonel Robinson's Third New Hampshire Regiment in the Revolution and was later made captain of his company. His son, Samuel Thrall, Jr., was a private in several Massachusetts Regiments. Mrs. Elvira Abbie Smith had other Revolutionary ancestors in the West and Chase families of Massachusetts.

Elvira Abbie Thrall was reared and educated at Granville, Licking County, Ohio, a town founded by her ancestors, the Thralls and Cooleys and their associates, and named in honor of their ancestral home town of Granville, Massachusetts. Granville in its modern history, is a center of education and high moral influences, reflecting some of the fine character and the spirit of its New England founder. Mrs. Elvira Smith finished her education in Granville Female College. For many years she has been recognized as an authority on the genealogy and general history of Granville.

Marshall Alexander Smith spent the first thirteen years of his life on his father's farm near Sunbury. The family then moved to that village, where he continued his education in the public schools. As a youth he went to work in his father's mercantile establishment at Sunbury.

Mr. Smith with his three brothers moved to Columbus in 1895, and soon afterward started the manufacture of commercial fertilizer and sulphuric acid. Later the industry was incorporated under the name of the Smith Agricultural Chemical Company, with Marshall A. as president. The company maintains a branch plant at Indianapolis. This is one of the important and essential industries of Ohio.

Mr. Smith is former president of Benjamin Franklin Chapter at Columbus of the Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and was made president of the Ohio Society, Sons of the American Revolution, at the annual meeting held April 20, 1924, at Toledo, Ohio. He is a life member of the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society. He served by enlistment in the Ohio National Guards, Company C, Fourteenth Regiment, 1886-1889, and by appointment was a member of the Columbus War Industrial Board during the World war with Germany. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, the Elks, the Scioto Country Club, the Columbus Country Club and the Columbus Athletic Club.

He married at Columbus, October 16, 1893, Cora M. Smith, of an unrelated branch of the Smith family. She was born in Delaware County, near her husband's birthplace, daughter of Newton and Lunette (Sherman) Smith. Her father moved to Ohio when a boy from Pennsylvania. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. Smith are: Harold Albert, Hurtha M., wife of Frank Rankin Schwartz, Marjorie Elvira and Adrienne Lunette Smith.

VINCENT N. PENN is an engineer by profession, having had a wide diversity of experience in railroad, highway and other lines of construction. He is at present county engineer of Jefferson County.

Mr. Penn's great-grandfather came from England and is said to have been from the same family as William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania. The father of the Steubenville engineer was James A. Penn, who served as a soldier in the Civil war. Vincent N. Penn was born at Hopedale, Harrison County, Ohio, September 1, 1877, son of J. A. and Virginia (Nation) Penn. His mother is now living at Jewett, Ohio. J. A. Penn, who died in 1921, was a tinner and roofer at Hopedale, was active in local affairs and was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Methodist Episcopal Church. His children were: Virginia, who married Everet Hicks; Frank, who married Grace Speer and has three children, named Ethel, Harold and Frances; and Arthur, who married Bessie Hines and has two daughters.

Vincent N. Penn attended public schools at Hopedale, and continued his education in the Hopedale Normal, leaving there at the age of eighteen. About that time W. A. Hammel, as head of a party of engineers on railroad location and construction, needed an assistant to fill a temporary vacancy, and this was the opportunity accepted by V. N. Penn. He became interested in surveying and engineering, and under the direction of Mr. Hammel was given opportunities to study and gain a practical knowledge of the profession. He remained with Mr. Hammel five years, getting such proficiency that he was promoted to increased responsibilities. During that time he did work for the Pennsylvania, Wabash and other railways. For three years he was in the engineering department of the Pittsburgh, Sawmet & Northern Railway. Mr. Penn in 1911 located at Steubenville, spending two years in work for the county and two years as deputy engineer. Since then he has been with the county engineering department. During the World war he was connected with the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company, assisting in construction work to enable that company to handle its war contracts. Then for one year and six months he was with the engineering department of the Pennsylvania Railway, and for a year and a half was located at Pittsburgh. In 1919 Mr. Penn returned to Steubenville as deputy county surveyor, and in September, 1922, was elected county surveyor and engineer. He is also resident state engineer for this district, having charge of all road and bridge work under the auspices of the State Highway Department.

Mr. Penn married at Steubenville, July 4, 1903, Miss Golda Whitten, daughter of William and Mary (Tipton) Whitten. Her father is a builder and carpenter. There were eight children in the Whitten family. Mr. and Mrs. Penn have two daughters, Mary and Vincetta. The family are members of the Christian Church.

GUY W. JACOBS. Among the many important industries that help to make Steubenville a city of modern progress its great refrigerating plants must be noted, and none of these are more thoroughly equipped or scientifically operated than that of the Steubenville Ice Company, of which Guy W. Jacobs, graduated refrigerating engineer, is general manager.

Mr. Jacobs was born at Center Hall, Center County, Pennsylvania, December 18, 1888, a son of Dr. William A. and Lizzie M. (Moser) Jacobs, and a grandson of George A. Jacobs and of Daniel Moser, early settlers and substantial people of Adams and Center counties, Pennsylvania.

Dr. William A. Jacobs at the time of his death, August 16, 1899, was a physician of prominence. He spent his early life on his father's farm, and was a schoolboy when the Civil war came on and was but sixteen years old when he enlisted, the youngest member of the famous One Hundred and Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Infantry. He was twice wounded and for gallantry was made corporal of his company. After the war he studied medicine and became widely known in his profession. He married Lizzie M. Moser, who still survives, and all three of their children are

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living: William Leslie, Guy W. and Margaret Elizabeth. Doctor Jacobs was a members of the Lutheran Church.

Guy W. Jacobs attended the public schools and was graduated from the Center Hall High School in the class of 1906. He then entered the Pennsylvania State College, and was graduated in 1910, Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineer, having specialized in refrigeration. He then became associated with the York Manufacturing Company of York, Pennsylvania, where he had charge of construction work and testing until 1917, when he came to the Steubenville Ice Company as manager and superintendent. Mr. Jacobs is an expert in a branch of his profession that is not yet overcrowded.

Mr. Jacobs married, June 1, 1917, Miss Fan Earl Robertson, of San Antonio, Texas. Her parents are deceased, but a brother, Ross Robertson, survives and has a daughter, Mary Leona. Mr. Robertson is in the oil business at Wichita Falls, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs have two children: Frances Elizabeth and Guy W., Jr. They are members of the Methodist Protestant Church. Mr. Jacobs is a thirty-second degree Mason. He belongs to the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers and to other scientific bodies, and is a member of the Steubenville Country Club and the Steubenville Rotary Club, having been president of the latter organization during the year 1923.

FRANK W. FEIST. Not the least in importance among the confections which add variety to mankind's cuisine, while at the same time being of great food value, is the delicacy which bears the trade name of ice cream, and which is coming more and more into popular favor with the passing of the years. The buying public is demanding the best and purest quality, and not all companies, perhaps, offer such a superior article as the Telling Ice Cream Company of Steubenville, Ohio, of which concern Frank W. Feist is manager. Mr. Feist is well known to the citizens of this city, not only as a capable and reliable business man, but also as a public official, having served ably in the office of mayor for four years.

Mr. Feist was born at Steubenville, June 19, 1884, and is a son of Peter W. and Sallie M (Bailey) Feist, residents of Steubenville, where they are held in high esteem and are members of the Presbyterian Church. Peter W. Feist was in the ice cream manufacturing business for many years, controlled the business at one time, and owned his own plant, but is now living in comfortable retirement. He and his worthy wife are the parents of three children: Howard, who married Margaret Walker; Lillian, who is unmarried; and Frank W.

Frank W. Feist attended the public and high schools of Steubenville, being graduated from the latter in 1901, and then took a commercial course at the Steubenville Business College. His first experience in the business world was with a wholesale grocery establishment, with which he acted as general office and store man for two years. Next he entered the ice cream business with his father, with whom he remained for fourteen years. At this time he entered politics and was elected and served as mayor for four years, 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921. When he retired from the mayoralty he became manager of the Telling Ice Cream Company, a concern with which he has since been identified. As one of the active and leading men of the city he has found time from his business duties to assist in forwarding measures for the benefit of the community. During the World war period he was in Class 4 and was not called into the service, but was active in assisting war-time enterprises and movements, especially as a member of the County War Board. With his family he belongs to the Presbyterian Church. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and Noble of the Mystic Shrine, an Elk and a Pythian, and holds membership in the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Steubenville Country Club and the Automobile Club. On November 27, 1911, Mr. Feist married Miss Anna Belle Galbraith, of Jefferson County.

Mr. Feist comes of excellent stock. His great-grandfather was with Napoleon in France, while his paternal grandparents, Aloysius and Susan Feist, came from Germany. His maternal grandparents, Samuel and Nancy Bailey, were natives of Ireland, on the trip to America from which country the mother of Mrs. Bailey died and was buried at sea.

ANDREW SQUIRE recently rounded out a full half-century in the practice of law at Cleveland. In the field of business and corporation law his success has been unqualified. Since 1890 he has been senior member of the firm of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, one of the oldest continuous law partnerships in Cleveland.

The golden anniversary of his admission to the Cleveland bar was not allowed to pass unnoticed, and on December 3, 1923, he was the guest of honor at a banquet attended by members of the Cleveland Bar Association and also by many leaders in Cleveland's political, social and industrial life. The embossed testimonial given him by the Association at that time reads as follows: "Upon the completion of fifty years of continuous and active practice of his profession as a member of the bar of Cuyahoga County, the Cleveland Bar Association presents to Mr. Andrew Squire this sincere testimonial of appreciation of those services and that character and that conduct with which he has generously honored the profession which honors him.

"May his steadfast adherence to those principles which here made him leading lawyer and leading citizen—beloved by his fellowmen—be an inspiration to all who would achieve real success."

In the course of the evening many other tributes were paid the veteran attorney, and one that expressed what his old associates felt was a letter from Chief Justice Taft, who wrote: "I have known and loved Mr. Squire for many, many years, longer, perhaps, than he and I are willing to admit. His sense of justice, his sweetness, his serenity, his great abilities, his sense of public duty, his personal charm and his love for his fellowmen are such that I do not wonder that his associates at the bar wish to give this testimony to their high appreciation of his eminent professional and personal qualities as one of the great leaders of the bar of Ohio and Cleveland.

"I am very sure that this evidence of the affection of the fellow members of his profession will delight his heart, and the more so because of his modesty and the gratified surprise he will feel at your expressions of deep respect and warm affection. It is a source of keen regret that I cannot be with you to take part in this most deserved tribute to half a century of useful professional community and patriotic service."

Mr. Squire was born at Mantua, Portage County, Ohio, October 21, 1850, son of Dr. Andrew Jackson and Martha (Wilmot) Squire. He is of New England ancestry. Andrew Jackson Squire was born in Ohio in 1815, and practiced medicine for many years in Portage County.

As a youth Andrew Squire purposed to follow the same profession as his father, and for a time he studied medicine until he became convinced that his talents primarily prepared him for the law. He attended the Western Reserve Eclectic Institute at Hiram, and after a period of professional study in Cleveland, he entered Hiram College, where he grad-

uated Bachelor of Arts in 1872. From Hiram College he went immediately to Cleveland, carrying with him letters from James A. Garfield, then Congressman, and Burke A. Hinsdale, president of the College. He did the duties of clerk and janitor in the law office of Andrew J. Marvin and Darius Cadwell, at the same time studying law, and in December, 1873, was admitted to the bar. After Mr. Cadwell went on the bench he became associated in partnership with Andrew J. Marvin. He had several other eminent Cleveland attorneys as associates. He and Judge William B. Sanders and James H. Dempsey, established the firm of Squire, Sanders and Dempsey on January 1, 1890. The successful practice of the law has brought him all the achievements and honors craved by a worthy ambition, and he has been only a layman in politics. Nevertheless he has been a creative, progressive force in the life of Cleveland. His sound advice and his power of harmonizing and bringing together masterful personalities and large interests have been an important factor in the business advancement of his city. He has made for peace not for strife, for progress, not for obstruction. His work has been constructive, not destructive.

Mr. Squire is a director of the Union Trust Company, the Cleveland Stone Company, of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad of which he is president, and has had numerous other business interests.

During the World war he served as a member of the Mayor's Advisory War Committee. He was a delegate to the Republican National Convention at St. Louis in 1896. He is a trustee of Hiram College and Western Reserve University and a director of the Case Library. He has attained the supreme honorary thirty-third degree in Scottish Rite Masonry. In 1909 he was president of the Country Club of Cleveland, and is a member of the Union and the University clubs of that city, and the University Club of New York. On June 24, 1896, Mr. Squire married Mrs. Eleanor Seymour Sea, daughter of Belden Seymour of Cleveland. Mrs. Squire was regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the time of the Spanish-American war and was active in the war relief measures officially sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

James Carl Bigger has practiced law at Steubenville for over thirty years. The work he has done in his profession and the spirit of helpfulness he has manifested toward all worthy causes have brought him a reputation and esteem extending throughout this section of eastern Ohio.

Mr. Bigger was born at Frankfort Springs, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, May 23, 1863, son of Thomas and Mary Thompson (Nicholson) Bigger. The Bigger family at one time had its seat near the Village of Bigger in Scotland, then moved from Scotland to the North of Ireland, their home being near the Giant Causeway. From Ireland one branch of the family came to the United States. James Bigger, grandfather of the Steubenville attorney, was a soldier in the War of 1812. He married Mary Bigert. Their son, Thomas Bigger, who died in 1911, was a farmer and stockraiser in Pennsylvania, and maintained a very quiet interest in politics, using his influence to assist his brother, who was quite prominent in the political life of that day. Thomas Bigger was a member of the United Presbyterian Church. His wife, Mary Thompson Nicholson, who died in 1914, was the daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Stuart) Nicholson. Thomas Nicholson was a whig in politics, and served as cashier to the state treasurer of Pennsylvania through five consecutive changes in the chief of that office. Thomas Bigger and wife had a family of three children. Ellis N., who died in 1902, married Della Caughey and had a son, John C. The daughter, Inez Bigger, became the wife of David M. Strouss.

James Carl Bigger attended his first schools at Frankfort Springs, including the academy there, continued his education at Beaver High School, and had a commercial course in accounting at the Curry College at Pittsburgh. Soon after coming to Steubenville he read law with J. M. Cook, later judge of the Circuit Court of this district. He took his examination and was admitted to the bar on March 3, 1892, at Columbus, and in the same year began the general practice of the law at Steubenville, which he has continued to the present time.

He served as city solicitor for two terms, from 1899 to 1902.

During the World war Mr. Bigger participated in the daily local drives. He has never married. He is a member of the United Presbyterian Church, is a member of the County Bar Society, belongs to the Masonic Lodge and is a past exalted ruler of the Elks.

Frank Albert Hawkins, mayor of the City of Steubenville, has lived in that community of eastern Ohio all his life. For many years he was in the railroad service, and has filled some of the most important offices in the county and city governments.

He was born at Steubenville, August 2, 1881, son of Frank and Jane (Bradbury) Hawkins, and grandson of William B. and Lucretia Hawkins. The first generation of the Hawkins family in America lived in Maryland, and in 1803 they came to Ohio, being among the early settlers of Jefferson County. Frank Hawkins, who died in 1914, was a contract plasterer for many years. He served as a soldier in the Civil war, being a non-commissioned officer in Company G of the Second Ohio Volunteer Infantry. For years he was very active in the Grand Army of the Republic, and also served several years as a captain in the Ohio National Guard. Much of his time was likewise given to politics, and he was appointed state deputy in the state treasurer's office. His wife died in 1916. Their five children were: Mary, who married Charles Wickline and has a son, Frank H.; Miss Jessie; James W.; Amie, deceased; and Frank Albert.

Frank Albert Hawkins attended the public schools at Steubenville, finishing his high school work in 1899. For seventeen years he was in the service of the Pan Handle Railroad Company, beginning as clerk in the freight office. He rose to the position of chief rate clerk at Steubenville. His first public honors were bestowed upon him while he was still in the railroad service.

He was elected for two terms as a member of the City Council, for the years 1912-13-14-15, but resigned before the expiration of his second term. In the fall of 1916 he was elected clerk of the court of Jefferson County, and served in that office two full terms. In the fall of 1921 he was elected mayor of Steubenville, and was reelected in 1923. He has given a vigorous administration of the laws and ordinances, and has put the full force of his official power into the enforcement of the liquor laws and other measures to preserve decency and good order in this city. Under his administration has occurred the most extensive program for civic improvement that was ever put on for completion in the history of the city, includes the paving of city streets, new lighting system, loop system for electric lines, improved waterworks and new municipal building.

During the World war Mr. Hawkins served as a member of the Local War Board. At the time of the Spanish-American war he was too young to be accepted as a volunteer in his home locality, and accordingly he and two friends ran away, hoping to

get into the army elsewhere, but they were arrested at Pittsburgh and sent home. Mr. Hawkins is a past commander of the Sons of Veterans Post. He is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias and now deputy grand chancellor for Jefferson County. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, an Elk and a member of the Riverview Country Club.

He married at Steubenville, April 15, 1902, Miss Clara E. Zimerman, daughter of Edwin T. and Caroline (Leo) Zimerman. Her mother is living, and her father, who died in 1914, was for many years a nailer in the steel or nail works, and was very much interested in politics, serving for many years as chief of police of Steubenville, dying while on the police department. He was a Knight of Pythias, a member of the German Society of Turners and the German Lutheran Church. Mrs. Hawkins is the youngest of three children, the others being: Wilbur, who married Anna Selah and has a son, Wilbur; Harry, who married Lucy Nolan, and their seven children were Ruth, Esther, Charles, Louise, Anna, Dorothy and Earl, who died in infancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins have four children: Naomi, born in 1903, a teacher in the city schools; Mary Virginia, born in 1904, likewise a teacher at Steubenville; Edwin, born in 1908, a student in high school; and Edith, born in 1917.

Samuel C. Selah. Many years of progressive effort have brought the rewards of successful position and popular esteem to Samuel C. Selah, who for a number of successive terms has been honored with the office of county recorder of Jefferson County.

He was born in Sharon, Pennsylvania, September 9, 1872. His grandparents were Charles and Ann (Tyson) Selah. Ann Tyson was descended from some of the Holland Dutch who came to New York when it was New Amsterdam.

His parents were Josiah and Harriet (Cotton) Selah. The latter is still living. Josiah Selah, who died February 11, 1917, was a Union soldier in the Civil war with the Thirty-third Pennsylvania Infantry under General Miles in the Second Corps, and in one battle was slightly wounded in the shoulder. After the war he affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic, and was much interested in politics. He followed the trade of nailer in the Mingo Nail Factory when that plant was devoted to the production of the old-fashioned cut nails. He served as city marshal of Steubenville and as a member of the Board of Education, and was a captain in the National Guard of Pennsylvania. His church was the Methodist. There were five children, Samuel C. being the oldest. Annie married Wilbur H. Zimerman and has a son, Wilbur, Jr., living in Philadelphia. The next child is Miss Edith. Mary died when twelve years old. Tyson married H. R. Swearingen.

Samuel C. Selah spent most of his boyhood at Steubenville, but his educational advantages ended when he was ten years old. For a time he worked in the nail factory with his father, and continued that occupation until 1886, when the plant began to manufacture the wire nails. Following that he took up sign painting in Steubenville, which trade he followed until 1898 and then, removing to New Castle, Pennsylvania, worked during the winter in the steel plant, where he was badly crippled in an accident in the elevator, and after recovering he engaged in the grocery business at Steubenville, his father-in-law being his partner. He continued an active associate in the firm for eleven years.

In the fall of 1914 Mr. Selah was elected county recorder and was reelected in 1916-1918-1820-1922 and in 1924 had no opposition for reelection. He is still a competent official, handling all matters connected with the recorder's office with every degree of satisfaction to all concerned. He is a Knight of Pythias and a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Selah married, February 6, 1900, at Steubenville, Miss Edith Coates, daughter of John and Frances (Gardner) Coates. Her mother is living. John Coates, who died November 11, 1918, was a nailer in the nail factory and later in the grocery business with his son-in-law, and was an active Methodist. In the Coates family were the following children: Mrs. Selah, the oldest; Harry, deceased; Edna, who married Herbert Burnes and has six children; Irene, who married Ed B. Lockwood and has three children, named Dorothy, Jean and Betty; Gardner, deceased; Leland R., who married Elizabeth Hileman, and they have two children, Mary Elizabeth and Richard Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Selah have one child, Gerald, who married Julia Farrar and has a daughter, Martha Virginia.

William R. Alban has been one of the leaders of the Steubenville bar for twenty years or more, is a former prosecuting attorney, and is descended from families that in all the generations have played worthy parts in their respective communities.

His great-grandfather, George Alban, was a member of General Washington's guard and staff during the Revolution, was a resident of Winchester, Virginia, but in 1797 came to Ohio, being the first settler off of the Ohio River in Island Creek Township of Jefferson County. His son, George Alban, Jr., was prominent in local affairs, and married Nancy Cox in December, 1825. The Cox family came into Ohio in 1818 from the Virginia country back of Wheeling. The maternal ancestry of the Steubenville attorney consisted of members of the Warden family, who came to the United States from Ireland about 1830. John Warden was the father of Samuel Warden, who married Sarah Abraham.

William R. Alban was born on a farm in Jefferson County, October 10, 1864, and his father was John Alban and his mother, Margaret Warder, the latter a daughter of Samuel and Sarah Warden, above mentioned. Margaret Warden Alban died in 1917, while John Alban passed away in 1902, having spent an active life as a farmer. He was a Methodist. There were five children: George W. married Lizzie Young, and their daughter, Ola, is the wife of Lloyd L. Sapp, there being two Sapp children, a son, Lloyd L., Jr., and a daughter. Henry Allen Alban married Annie Kirk and has three children: Clarence, Elliott and William. The third child is William R. Alban. Samuel Alban died in 1895. John M. married Etta Brainard, and they have a married daughter, Annie.

William R. Alban attended district school, completed his literary education in Scio College, and before and after attending college, engaged in teaching. This was the profession of his earlier years, until finally he entered the Ohio State University at Columbus, taking the law course. He was graduated in law in 1893, and in the same year engaged in practice at Steubenville. Mr. Alban served six years as prosecuting attorney of Jefferson County, from January 1, 1903, to 1909. His practice is of a general nature, although more and more he has been engaged in corporation practice. He handled no cases on the criminal side of the docket. Mr. Alban was a member of the Legal Advisory Board and active in the prosecution of all war measures.

He married at Steubenville, December 24, 1895, Miss Laura A. McWha, daughter of George and Amelia McWha. Her mother died in 1915 and her father, who died in 1890, was a farmer and a republican. Mrs. Alban was the only child of her parents. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Alban are Ethel

and Frederick Warden. Ethel is the wife of John Edson Peterson, and they have a son, Beverly. Mr. Alban is a member of the Hamlin Methodist Episcopal Church, is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Kiwanis Club, Chamber of Commerce, County, State and American Bar associations.

BLAINE D. CARTER. One of the oldest chiefs of police in the smaller cities of Ohio is Blaine D. Carter of Steubenville. Mr. Carter was appointed to his present position in March, 1917, by the civil service route, and in office has set a standard of official conduct that may be studied with profit by all interested in good government in municipal affairs.

Mr. Carter was born at Steubenville, April 30, 1884, son of George W. and Emma (Mentor) Carter, and a grandson of David and Hannah (Dawson) Carter and John and Margaret (Rice) Mentor. David Carter came to Ohio from Loudoun County, Virginia, and his wife, from Morgantown, West Virginia. David Carter in the latter part of his life was engaged in the hotel business. John Mentor was a native of Switzerland, and came to the United States at about twenty years of age and engaged in the coal business. David Carter had five sons who were Union soldiers in the Civil war: William H., a color bearer of his regiment, who was killed at the battle of Antietam; James K., who lost his life at Vicksburg; John D. and Albert W., who went to the war and came home uninjured; and Joseph, who was captured and spent twenty-one months in Andersonville prison, but finally returned, recovered his health and some years later went to Alaska.

George W. Carter, who died February 22, 1913, was always active in public affairs, and was an iron worker, spending much of his time in mills at Steubenville. He was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. His wife, Emma Mentor, died February 18, 1923. They had three children, Blaine being the oldest. Miss Hannah Virginia is chief clerk in the county auditor's office at Steubenville, and the youngest child, Miss Laura, is assistant to her sister.

Blaine D. Carter attended the grade and high schools at Steubenville, and then engaged in the iron and steel trade, being a boilermaker and also did steel construction work. While working at his trade he manifested a keen interest in local politics, and in March, 1916, was called by popular vote to the office of chief of police. He has been continuously reelected. However, his continuous service in the office has not been due to politics or to his constant favor with party bosses. He has pursued what he has regarded as the right policy, regardless of results, and for that reason has again and again incurred the opposition of his former friends and supporters. At the same time he has gained the esteem of the law abiding element in the community and several times has been elected to office despite the opposition of newspapers and political leaders. Few men have such strength of character to withstand the pressure that at times has been brought to bear upon him.

Mr. Carter married at Steubenville, September 16, 1918, Miss Martha Lucher, and her father was a railway man. They have two children, Blaine D. and George W. Mr. Carter is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and his fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Pythias and the Eagles.

JOHN F. MCFADDEN, JR. Not inaptly has a newspaper office been called a great training school. In very many other lines of responsible business will be found men in authority who owe much to journalistic training in its various branches. A well known business man of Steubenville who has enjoyed this advantage is John F. McFadden, secretary and manager of the Steubenville Automobile Club, who for more than a decade was manager of the Steubenville Gazette.

Mr. McFadden was born at Columbus, Ohio, January 9, 1887, being of Revolutionary stock and coming of old-settled families that have long been identified with America's best interests. He is the only son of John F. and Laura B. (Sampson) McFadden, and has one sister, Frances, who is the wife of F. B. Carey, of Lockport, New York, and they have one daughter, Clara Elizabeth Carey. The parents of Mr. McFadden were born in Ohio, to which state the McFaddens had come in 1831 from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where they had settled in 1820 upon coming from Coote Hill, County Cavan, Ireland. The great-grandfather, Samuel McFadden, was the Ohio pioneer. The grandparents were Henry S. and Frances (Poore) McFadden, the latter being a descendant of the historic Poore family that came to America in 1635. The grandparents on the maternal side were James and Mary (McDonald) Sampson, and it is through the McDonald strain that John F. McFadden may lay claim to a Revolutionary ancestor.

John F. McFadden, the elder, was reared and educated for the law at Columbus, Ohio, where he engaged in the practice of his profession for some time and then removed to Buffalo, New York, at a later date returning to Ohio and entering journalistic work, at present being a member of the editorial staff of the Herald-Star at Steubenville.

John F. McFadden, Jr., received his early educational training in the public schools of Columbus, and in 1903 was graduated from the high school at Buffalo, New York. For a short time afterward he was connected with a wholesale business house in that city, and then went into newspaper work in the office of the Buffalo Courier, where he continued until 1907, when he came to Steubenville and joined the Gazette force, his uncle, Henry H. McFadden, being the owner of that journal. He remained with the Gazette as its manager until his uncle sold it in 1919. In 1920 Mr. McFadden became assistant secretary of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, remaining with that organization until 1922, when he assumed the secretaryship of the Steubenville Automobile Club, which is now the largest organization in eastern Ohio.

Mr. McFadden married at Steubenville, February 22, 1911, Miss Gladys Jones, of Smithfield, Ohio, only child of Charles and Edna (Scott) Jones. The father of Mrs. McFadden died December 1, 1899, having long been a leading merchant at Smithfield. Mr. and Mrs. McFadden have three children: Ruth, born September 17, 1912; Jane, born September 24, 1917; and Nancy, born May 24, 1920. Mr. McFadden was reared in the Presbyterian Church, as was his wife. In political sentiment he is a democrat. He is a member of the Steubenville Country Club and of the Chamber of Commerce.

ERNEST LINWOOD FINLEY. The professional associates of Ernest Linwood Finley unreservedly place him among the capable and industrious members of the Steubenville bar, where he has practiced long and ably. His practice has been largely of a corporation character, a field in which he has gained something more than a local reputation, and while he has been busily occupied with his large and constantly growing clientele he has also reserved time for the public service, having formerly been for sixteen years United States commissioner for the Eastern Division of the Southern District of Ohio.

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Mr. Finley was born August 24, 1868, at Zanesfield, Logan County, Ohio, a son of Dr. Emmett and Amanda (Hanna) Finley, and a grandson of Dr. Robert Finley, who immigrated to the United States in 1822, at the age of nineteen years, after a course in Dublin College, and settled at Mount Pleasant, where he practiced his profession until his death at the age of sixty-three years. He married Angeline Hamilton, a daughter of Dr. William Hamilton, of Westmoreland, Pennsylvania. The Hanna family was founded in Jefferson County, Ohio, in 1796, when James Hanna settled at Warrenton. The maternal grandparents of Mr. Finley were James and Margaret Hanna, both of whom died in 1858.

Dr. Emmett Finley graduated from the Ohio State Medical College in 1862, following which he entered the Medical Corps and saw service during the Civil war in the hospital at Alexandria, Virginia. He later settled permanently at Mount Pleasant, where he followed his profession with honor and success until his death July 14, 1911. He was active in all public matters, and was a member of the School Board and a director of the local bank. He and his wife, who died in October, 1891, were the parents of three children: Ernest Linwood; Pauline, who married Floyd Daugherty and had two children, William and Robert; and Lillie S., who married James T. Koch, and had one child, Margaret.

Ernest Linwood Finley graduated from the Mount Pleasant High School in 1886, and then pursued an academic course at Wooster College, from which he was graduated in 1891 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During 1892 and 1893 he attended the University at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and, although he did not complete his law course and graduate, he took his examination for the bar and was admitted in 1894. At that time he commenced practice in association with Gov. R. G. Richards, at that time judge of the Court of Common Pleas. He has since engaged in a general practice, barring criminal cases, his clientele being principally of a corporation character, and he is local counsel for the New York Central Railroad, several villages, coal companies and banks. During the late war he was chairman of No. 2 Advisory Board. He belongs to the State and County Bar associations and at one time was president of the law library of the latter. Mr. Finley belongs to the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, the Chamber of Commerce and to the Steubenville Country Club, and his religious connection is with the Westminster Presbyterian Church. He is a great admirer of all forms of healthful sports, particularly baseball and football, and practices what he preaches in keeping himself fit by a great deal of walking.

On October 31, 1901, at Mount Pleasant, Mr. Finley was united in marriage with Miss Julia B. White, daughter of James A. and Marcia A. White, the former of whom died January 26, 1924, and the latter in July, 1921. Early in life Mr. White became a school teacher, and for thirty years was principal of the school at Mount Pleasant, but in his later years applied himself to the life insurance business. He and his wife had the following children: William, who married Anna B. Comley, and they have three children, Miriam, Richard and Mary; Julia B.; Kyle A.; and Elizabeth, who married Charles S. Thatcher, and has one child, Helen. Mr. and Mrs. Finley are the parents of two children: Louise, a Bachelor of Arts graduate of Wilson College at Chambersburg, and Katherine R., who is attending the Steubenville High School.

WILLIAM HOWARD BOYD has by his ability and his excellent professional stewardship gained high rank at the bar of his native state, and his reputation as a lawyer and publicist has transcended mere local limitations. He has been established in the practice of his profession in the City of Cleveland for thirty-three years.

Mr. Boyd was born in Londonderry Township, Guernsey County, Ohio, on the 11th of August, 1864, and is a son of George W. and Mary A. (Campbell) Boyd. Mr. Boyd passed the period of his childhood and early youth on the homestead farm of his parents, in Guernsey County, and in the meanwhile he profited by the advantages of the district schools. His public school education was so effectively advanced that he proved his eligibility for pedagogic service and gave four years to successful work as a teacher, principally in the schools of his native county. Thereafter he read law under effective private preceptorship, and in June, 1887, he was admitted to the bar. The year 1890 recorded his establishing a law office in Cleveland, where he proved his technical powers in his profession and built up a substantial law business. He continued in individual practice until 1908, when he became a member of the representative law firm of Westenhaver, Boyd, Rudolph & Brooks. In 1913 the firm name became Westenhaver, Boyd & Brooks. A subsequent change, in 1917, gave to the firm the title of Boyd & Brooks, and since October of that year the firm, one of the strongest in the Ohio metropolis, has been Boyd, Cannon, Brooks & Wickham.

While still a resident of Guernsey County Mr. Boyd served as clerk of the Village and Township of Flushing, and in the period of 1897-9 he was assistant director of law for the City of Cleveland. In 1905 he was made the republican nominee for mayor of Cleveland, and the debates in which he participated, in the ensuing campaign, with his democratic opponent, the late Tom L. Johnson, has established an historical record in connection with such municipal campaigns, the Johnson-Boyd debates having gained wide celebrity. Mr. Boyd was a Roosevelt delegate to the Republican State Convention of Ohio in 1912, and was selected as one of the "Ohio Big Four" to represent the Buckeye State as Roosevelt delegates to the Republican National Convention of that year in Chicago. In the primary elections of 1920 he was specially active in promoting the candidacy of General Leonard Wood for the presidency of the United States, and was a delegate at large to the Republican National Convention of that year.

Mr. Boyd holds active membership in the Cleveland, the Ohio State and the American Bar associations, and is a member of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce and the Cleveland Athletic Club. He has, as may be inferred from preceding statements, been a leader in the councils and campaign activities of the republican party in Ohio. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the Euclid Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church.

September 7, 1892, recorded the marriage of Mr. Boyd and Miss Anna Maud Judkins, of Flushing, Guernsey County, and she passed to the life eternal on the 23rd of September, 1908. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd became the parents of two daughters, Mildred A. and Mary G., both of whom survived the mother, but the death of Mildred A. occurred about three years later, on the 22d of January, 1911.

ROSS D. STONE, who has been giving effective service as justice of the peace in the city of Steubenville, judicial center of Jefferson County, since 1921, was born on his father's farm in Cross Creek Township, this county, January 17, 1876. He was seven years old at the time of his mother's death, in 1883, and was a lad of ten years when he was doubly

orphaned by the death of his father in 1886. He was the second in order of birth in a family of three children, the eldest of whom, Minnie A., is the wife of Ulysses Grant Johnson and the mother of one child, John S. Edward M., youngest of the children, is still listed as an eligible bachelor. Mr. Stone is a son of John R. and Matilda (Deters) Stone, both of whom passed their entire lives in Ohio, the former having been a son of William D. and Louise (McCoy) Stone, and a grandson of one of the sterling pioneers of Cross Creek Township, Jefferson County. The lineage of the Stone family traces to staunch Scotch-Irish origin. The maternal grandparents of the subject of this review were John E. and Matilda (Rickey) Deters.

John R. Stone held prestige as one of the substantial exponents of farm industry in Jefferson County, and also developed a prosperous business in the buying and shipping of grain. He gave three years and three months of loyal service as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war, in which he was a member of the Ninety-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, a command which, by reason of its being known for its special gallantry in many a sanguinary conflict, became known as the "Bloody Ninety-eighth." In later years Mr. Stone vitalized his association with his former comrades in arms by retaining active affiliation with the Grand Army of the Republic. He and his wife were earnest members of the Presbyterian Church.

The early education of Ross D. Stone was acquired in the district schools, which he continued to attend until he was sixteen years of age, and in the meanwhile he had gained a goodly experience in the varied details of farm industry. He continued his alliance with farm enterprise in his native county until he was twenty years old, and thereafter he served two years as deputy sheriff of the county under Sheriff Potter. He devoted the ensuing three years to a contracting business, mainly in road grading, and he next had charge of dynamiting work in connection with railroad tunnel construction. He then became a salesman for the great Chicago packing concern of Armour & Company, and traveled from the branch quarters established at Steubenville, where he later had charge of the shipping department. He continued his alliance with Armour & Company fifteen years, and in this period amplified his practical experience by passing two years in the herding of beef cattle in Kansas and Oklahoma, where he made a record that gave him title to due honors as a skilled cowboy. He finally left the service of Armour & Company, and since 1921 has retained at Steubenville the office of justice of the peace, in which he is giving a very effective and satisfactory administration. His political allegiance is given to the republican party; he and his wife hold membership in the Christian Church. He is affiliated with the local organizations of the Sons of Veterans and Knights of the Maccabees, and he is an active member of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, the Steubenville Automobile Club and the Jefferson County Game Association, of which he is the executive head. Esquire Stone is specially appreciative of outdoor life, and in the summer and other consistent seasons for such diversion, he and his family have many a pleasant week-end entertainment in camping out.

September 8, 1917, recorded the marriage of Mr. Stone and Miss Doris E. Kriter, eldest of the five children of William and Retta Kriter, the latter of whom still resides in Steubenville. William Kriter was a carpenter by trade and vocation, and his death occurred when his daughter, Doris E. (Mrs. Stone), was but twelve years old, she having then assumed charge of the home and the care of the younger children while the devoted mother found employment to support the family. Zelma, the next younger of the children, is the wife of John Allen, and they have two children, George and Doris. Earl, who married Miss Madge Reese, represented Jefferson County in the nation's military service in the World war period. Margaret is the wife of Frederick A. Beach, and they have one daughter, Bettie. Miss Inez, youngest of the children, is (1924) chief operator in the office of the Cleveland Telephone Company in the city of Cleveland. Mr. and Mrs. Stone have three children, Virginia M., Robert and Ross D., Jr.

AUGUST L. BECKER. The vital city of Steubenville, judicial center of Jefferson County, has its fiscal affairs under effective administration at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924, for August L. Becker, city treasurer, is not only an efficient executive but also has and manifests the loyalty of a native son of the city which he is thus serving, his birth having occurred at Steubenville, October 15, 1886. His father, the late August Becker, whose death occurred in 1904, operated at Steubenville a flour mill, to the management of which he continued to give his attention fully twenty-five years, and in this city his widow still maintains her home. The maiden name of Mrs. Becker was Dora Slater, and she was born and reared in Ohio. August Becker was born in Germany, where he received his youthful education, and it was about the year 1871 when he came to the United States and establishel his residence in Steubenville. Prior to initiating his independent business career in this city he here found employment for some time in the old Jefferson Iron Works. His religious faith was that of the Lutheran Church. He was a sterling citizen who commanded unqualified popular esteem in the community, and was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. August and Dora (Slater) Becker became the parents of six children, one son having died in infancy; Miss Emma, eldest of the children, remains with her widowed mother, as does also Miss Dorothy, the next younger; August L., of this review, was the next in order of birth; Edward married Thelma King, and they have one child; Marie is the wife of Carl Bower, and their one child is a son, Carl, Jr.

Steubenville's present city treasurer here attended the public schools until he was thirteen years old, and his broader education has been that received through self-discipline and through the medium of practical experience. At the age of thirteen years he found employment in a local bakery. He next became an employe of the Adams Express Company, his connection with which here continued until he enlisted in the United States army. After two years and three months of military service he received his honorable discharge from the army, owing to an injury he had received in one of his arms while in service. Upon his return to Steubenville he became a salesman for the local branch of Armour & Company, the great Chicago meat packing concern, and he continued in the employ of this corporation ten years.

In 1920 Mr. Becker was elected city treasurer, as candidate on the republican ticket, and the high estimate placed upon his administration was shown in his reelection at the expiration of his first term. The physical disability resulting from the injury which he received while in the army made him ineligible for service in the World war, but he found divers means for the constructive expression of his patriotism. He is a candidate for reelection to the office of city treasurer in the autumn of 1924, and this is virtually tantamount to his reelection.

Mr. Becker is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, including the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan, and also with the local organizations of

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the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the United Commercial Travelers' Association. He and his wife are active members of the Second United Presbyterian Church in their home city.

November 28, 1913, recorded the marriage of Mr. Becker and Miss Elma J. England, daughter of the late David England, who was long engaged in business as a contractor and builder in Jefferson County and who held for a quarter of a century the office of justice of the peace in his home village of Winterville, where his death occurred in 1920, and where his widow likewise passed away before the close of that year, both having been members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Besides Mrs. Becker there were three other children in the England family—Clyde, Fred and William, the last named having died at the age of twenty-one years. Clyde is a bachelor, and Fred, the family name of whose wife was Grimm, has two children. Mr. and Mrs. Becker have three children: William, Maurice and Robert.

John Edward Fay, the efficient superintendent of the Ohio Valley Hospital at Steubenville, judicial center of Jefferson County, has had broad and varied experience in hospital service and administration, and under his supervision the Ohio Valley Hospital is giving the maximum of efficiency in all departments of its important community service.

Mr. Fay was born at Rockville, Connecticut, April 26, 1867, and is the only representative of the immediate family circle to have left the East. His father, William Bond Fay, was born and reared in Ireland, and upon coming to the United States settled first at Willimantic, Connecticut, whence he later removed to Rockville, that state, where he passed the remainder of his life, his death having occurred in 1880, and his widow, whose maiden name was Hannah Kane, having passed away in 1888. Both were devoted communicants of the Catholic Church. Of the children the eldest is Andrew J., who was born in 1861. He married Margaret O'Leary, and their four living children are Walter, Loretta, Margaret and Helen. The oldest of the children was Allen, who died at the age of eighteen years. Thomas, the second son, married Katherine Clark, and their one child is a son, Norman. John E., of this review, was the next in order of birth. Sarah is the widow of Frank Tierney, deceased.

After having profited by the advantages of public schools in his native city John E. Fay completed a course in a business college at Hartford, Connecticut, and as an accountant he then took a position in the auditing department of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, with which important corporation he continued his association twelve years in its offices at East Hartford and New York City. Upon his retirement from railroad service he assumed the position of assistant superintendent of the Hartford General Hospital in the City of Hartford, Connecticut, where he thus continued his effective service twelve years, he having passed the following year as an executive in Ellis Hospital at Schenectady, New York. He then accepted the office of superintendent of a hospital at New Britain, Connecticut, and after three years' retention of this position he came, in 1922, to Ohio and assumed his present executive position, that of superintendent of the Ohio Valley Hospital. His administrative policies are vigorous and progressive, and besides handling the business affairs of the institution with careful discrimination he is constantly alert in bringing the general service of this well equipped hospital up to the highest possible standard. Mr. Fay is an active member of the Ohio Hospital Association and also of the American Hospital Association. He and his wife are communicants of the Catholic Church, and he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Foresters, and the St. Bernard's Temperance Society.

At Newington, Connecticut, on the 7th of January, 1919, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Fay and Miss Lucy Quinlan, who was at the time a skilled and popular nurse in Hartford Hospital. Mrs. Fay was born and reared in Connecticut, and is the youngest of the four children born to Patrick and Margaret Quinlan, the former of whom is deceased and the latter of whom still resides in Connecticut. Ann Frances, eldest of the four children, is a trained nurse and is following her profession in the city of Hartford; Margaret remains with her widowed mother; and Nellie is the wife of John McGrath, a prosperous Connecticut farmer, their children being five in number: Lucy, Bettie, Donald, William and Ann Frances. Mr. and Mrs. Fay have two children, Margaret and Ann Frances.

Roland St. Clair Kelsey bears the distinction of being the youngest county superintendent of schools in the State of Ohio. He began his career as an educator at the early age of seventeen, and has accomplished a great deal of service and earned on the merits of his ability his promotion to the responsibility he now enjoys. He is superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction of Highland County, with his home in Hillsboro.

Mr. Kelsey was born at Levanna, Ohio, July 4, 1895. His grandfather, Henry Clay Kelsey, spent all of his life in that community, where he was born in 1843 and died in 1902. William Stratton Kelsey, father of the county school superintendent, was born at Levanna, Ohio, January 19, 1867, and is still living at the place where he was born. He has given a number of years to the contracting business, and until recently was a deputy state building inspector. His wife, Anna Laura Chapman, was born at Levanna, Ohio, February 9, 1867.

Roland St. Clair Kelsey was given his middle name in honor of Gen. Arthur St. Clair. He grew up in a rural community in Southern Ohio, attended grammar school at Levanna and later, in 1912, graduated from the Ripley High School. He was then sixteen years of age, and from that time forward, taught school as well as attended winter and summer sessions in schools and colleges to advance his own higher education. When he taught his first school at the age of seventeen, many of his pupils were older than he. While teaching he attended the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and subsequently attended Wilmington College, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1921.

His service record as a teacher includes three years of work, 1912-1915, in the elementary schools of Brown County, in 1915-1918 he was superintendent of the Aberdeen public schools, and in 1918-1919 acted as superintendent of a Smith-Hughes school in Marion County, Ohio. From there he was called to the superintendency of the high school at Bath, Ohio, Summit County, where he remained from 1919 to 1920, and from 1920 to February, 1923, he was superintendent of the Lynchburg High School. Since 1923 he has been superintendent of the schools of Highland County.

Mr. Kelsey has a reputation of having great moral courage, being absolutely fearless to carry into execution the dictates of his conscience. He will uphold and defend whatever he thinks is right regardless of how the outcome may effect his personal fortune. As a public servant he is faithful to his clientele and commands the respect and confidence of a large circle of friends, not all of whom are school people.

Mr. Kelsey is a member of the Christian Church. He married at Rainsboro, Ohio, December 24, 1919, Miss Rosalie Copeland, who was born near Rainsboro, June 11, 1900, and was educated in the common and high schools there, later attending Wilmington College. In 1918-1919 she taught at New Petersburg, Ohio, and was a teacher in the schools of Rainsboro in 1919-1920.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey have one child, Jewel Jean, born at Lynchburg, Ohio, October 25, 1920.

Major Van A. Snider, judge of the Probate Court of Lancaster, is one of the ablest jurists of Ohio, and a man whose integrity and sound judgment are proverbial. He was born in Walnut Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, October 27, 1869, a son of Rev. Absalom and Effie Ellen (Trovinger) Snider, the former of whom for fifty-four years was active in ministerial work in the United Brethren denomination in Fairfield, Licking, Franklin, Marion and other counties in central Ohio. His death occurred January 24, 1920, but the mother survives. They had eight children, namely: Charlotta, who is deceased; George C., who married Matilda Quigley, has three children, Absalom Brock, Harry Andrew and Flora Ellen, Alice Matilda, deceased; Judge Snider, who was the third in order of birth; Andrew J., who married Mary Hunt and has four children, Paul J. and Perry E., twins, Helen L. and Mary W.; Ida Jane, who married Weston Laughbaum, has two children, Martha E. and Stanley S.; Effie Elizabeth, who married Cicero Zachman, has six children, Arthur S., Richard S., Katherine E., Harold L., Elizabeth C. and Mildred J.; Alice Rebecca, who married Edwin C. Gayman, has three children, Lowell W., Malcolm A. and Elvin E.; and Fred B., who married Florence Estella Creasap, has one child, Van William.

The ancestors of Judge Snider located in the American colonies at an early day. His parental grandparents were early natives of Fairfield County, Ohio. His great-grandfather, George Frederick Snider, Jr., was born October 17, 1781, at Walker, Baltimore County, Maryland. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, came to Ohio about 1815 and settled on the Refugee Lands northwest of Millersport, Fairfield County, Ohio. He reared a family of two boys and eight girls. His father or grandfather, George Frederick Schneider, came to America with his wife and three children from Rumbach, District of Wegelburg, in 1753 and settled in Baltimore County, Maryland. The Trovinger family is also an old one, and the maternal grandfather of Judge Snider, Christopher Trovinger, was born in Washington County, Maryland, February 23, 1808, a son of Samuel Trovinger, and grandson of Christopher Trovinger, a native of Calico Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. During the American Revolution he was engaged in manufacturing blankets for the soldiers of the Colonial forces. He and his wife had ten children. The father of Christopher Trovinger (I) was Adam Trovinger, who came to America from Holland about the year 1765. Samuel Trovinger married Rebecca Gorden, a Quaker, July 22, 1801, in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. They had ten children, and in 1812, when their son Christopher (II), the fourth child, was four years old, they moved to Walnut Township, Fairfield County, Ohio. With the outbreak of the second war with England Samuel Trovinger enlisted, and served as a corporal in Capt. Peter Lamb's Company, which was recruited in the northeastern part of Fairfield County, Ohio. Christopher Trovinger (II) married Jane Lyle, April 2, 1835. They had ten children.

Judge Snider attended the local district schools, the Canal Winchester and Baltimore High schools, and the Basil Normal and Teachers' Training School. With the completion of these courses he began teaching school, and remained in the educational field for two years. Appointed then deputy sheriff of Fairfield County, he served as such for three years. Deciding upon a professional career, he then took up the study of law under the preceptorship of Judge John G. Reeves, and was admitted to the bar October 16, 1896, and began the practice of his calling at Lancaster, Ohio. He was admitted to practice in the United States District and Circuit Courts February 9, 1900, and the Supreme Court of the United States March 5, 1909. In 1909 he was elected city solicitor of Lancaster, and held the office for two terms, making so fine a record that he was recognized as the logical candidate for the office of judge of Probate Court of Fairfield County, and was elected to it in 1920 for a four-year term, and is the present candidate to succeed himself. He is also judge of the Juvenile Court, to which he devotes much of his time. For eighteen years he belonged to the Ohio National Guards, enlisted in the ranks, rising until he became major of the Seventh Ohio regiment. When war was declared with the Central Powers he was mustered into the Regular Army as major of his regiment, and was with the Thirty-seventh Division. He attended and graduated from the First Field Officers' School held at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, was instructor-inspector in field work and gas defense at Camp Sheridan, Montgomery, Alabama; Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas; and Camp Wadsworth, Spartensburg, South Carolina, his period of service extending over eighteen months, at the close of which he was honorably discharged. Judge Snider also served for four years on the personal military staff of Governor Harmon. In 1912 he was a delegate from the Eleventh Congressional District of Ohio to the Democratic National Convention, Baltimore, Maryland, that nominated Woodrow Wilson for the presidency.

On June 10, 1897, Judge Snider married Cora Alice Holland, a daughter of Judge E. F. Holland, for seven years judge of the Probate Court. He was a Civil war veteran and marched with Sherman "From Atlanta to the Sea." He died May 9, 1915. His widow, whose maiden name was Mary Ann Jones, died August 3, 1924. Mrs. Snider was their only child. Judge and Mrs. Snider have two children: Mary Vaneta and Effie Miriam. Judge Snider belongs to the United Brethren Church and his wife, to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is a past exalted ruler; to the Knights of Pythias, of which he is a past chancellor commander; to the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and the Lancaster Kiwanis Club. He is a trustee of the Lancaster City Public Library, president of the Fairfield County Historical Society and a life member of the Ohio State Archæological and Historical Society.

Lonzo Carl Hill, D. D. S., has been established in the successful practice of his profession in the City of Steubenville since 1914, and the scope and character of his clientage indicates the high popular estimate placed upon him in this community. The Hill family of the present day is notable for the number of dentists which it can claim in a direct and collateral way. With brothers and their sons and sons-in-law, the Hill family is now represented by a goodly corps of thirty-six dentists. He whose name initiates this paragraph can claim kinship with the gallant cavaliers of Virginia and the sturdy pioneer stock of New England. The Hill family was early founded in Virginia, and in various generations has been one of no minor prominence in the historic Old Dominion. The Whitney family, of which the doctor is a representative on the maternal

side, was founded in New England in the Colonial period of American history, and his maternal grandfather, Rev. Joseph Whitney, was a clergyman of the Baptist Church.

Doctor Hill was born in Trail Run, Monroe County, Ohio, on the 4th of October, 1870, and is a son of Joseph and Hannah (Whitney) Hill. Joseph Hill was born and reared in Virginia, and came to Ohio about the year 1865, the old Hill homestead having been at Charlestown, Virginia. In Ohio was solemnized the marriage of Joseph Hill and Miss Hannah Whitney, who was born in Maine and who was young when she accompanied her parents on their removal to Ohio. Joseph and Hannah Hill became the parents of six sons and five daughters, concerning whom the following brief data are available: John, who was long engaged in the practice of dentistry, is now living retired in the State of New Mexico, his children being four in number. Charles Lee, who now lives retired in New Mexico, was formerly a successful dental practitioner in the City of Wheeling, West Virginia. He has two daughters. James Jefferson, a retired dentist residing at Zanesville, Ohio, has three sons and three daughters. Dr. Lonzo C., of this review, is the next younger of the sons. Dr. George L. is a representative dental practitioner at Wheeling, West Virginia, and is the father of one son and three daughters. William H. is engaged in the practice of dentistry at Clarksburg, West Virginia. Eliza, first of the daughters, died at the age of seven years. Mrs. Rosa Berta Shai has five children. Mrs. Hattie Cain has one son and one daughter, her husband being a dentist in the City of Canton, Ohio. Mrs. Anna Bell Sager and her husband now reside in California, their one child being a daughter. Mrs. Rosie Lee Black and her husband reside in California, their children being five in number.

Dr. Lonzo C. Hill received the advantages of the public schools, and in preparation for his chosen profession he entered the Ohio College of Dental Surgery in the City of Cincinnati, where he completed the prescribed course and was graduated as a member of the class of 1892. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he continued to be engaged in the practice of his profession in Cincinnati until his removal to Steubenville, where he has since actively followed the work of his profession, and where his offices have the best of modern equipment and facilities in both operative and laboratory departments. The doctor is an active member of the Ohio Dental Society, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His wife, whose maiden name was Julia Teresa Keegan, died in 1907, and she is survived by three children: Edna Marie is the wife of William F. McGuigan, Doctor of Dental Surgery, and they have three children, June Marie, Lonzo Carl and Marilyn Patricia. Alice Lillian is the wife of John W. Young, and their one child is a daughter, Mary Eileen. George LeRoy, youngest of the children, is subject of the personal sketch which immediately follows this review.

George LeRoy Hill, only son of Dr. Alonzo Carl Hill, whose sketch immediately precedes this review, was born at Bellevue, Kentucky, January 17, 1899, and his public school discipline was rounded out by his course of study in the high school at Steubenville, Ohio. Thereafter he continued his studies in the Wentworth Military Academy at Lexington, Kentucky; in a school at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, and finally in Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. He next completed a course of one year in the Pierce School of Finance, in the City of Philadelphia, and he is now assisting in the office of his father, who is one of the leading dentists of Steubenville, as he has not yet definitely formulated his plans for his future career.

Samuel Fleming Paul, M. D., has distinctly proved the efficiency and loyalty of his professional stewardship in his able services as one of the representative physicians and surgeons in the City of Steubenville, county seat and metropolis of Jefferson County, where he has been engaged in general practice since the year 1911.

Doctor Paul was born in Rural Valley, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1878, and is a scion of a sterling Pennsylvania family of German origin, the first representatives of the family having settled near the present City of Johnstown in the Colonial period of the history of the fine old Keystone State. Samuel Paul, grandfather of the doctor, passed his entire life in Pennsylvania, as did also the maternal grandfather, Samuel Frampton. Emanuel S. Paul, father of him whose name initiates this review, is now living retired after many years of service as a foreman in steel mills. He has been active in politics, has held local offices of minor order, but has invariably refused to become a candidate for higher offices. He is affiliated with the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and he and his wife, whose maiden name was Annetta Frampton, hold membership in the Methodist Protestant Church. They now maintain their home at Steubenville, Ohio, and have long been residents of Jefferson County, Ohio. To them were born the following sons and daughters: Susanna Jane is the wife of Alfred Shoemaker, and they had five children: Clarence, Mabel, Twyla Ruth, Leland and Charles, all of whom are living, except Charles, who died at the age of four months. Dr. Samuel F., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth. Cyrus William married Emma Schubert, and their surviving children are Floyd and Edith, the third child having been a daughter that died in early childhood. Charles Clyde married Orma Dotson, and they have five children: Raymond, Forrest, Gladys, Samuel and one other son. Gladys Rosaldo is the wife of Ralph Copeland, and their one child is a son, Dale. Emma Grace is the wife of Walter Edgard, and their one child is Walton. Forrest Dale, an undertaker by profession, entered service in the United States army when the nation became involved in the World war, was made an orderly at the headquarters of the quartermaster's department, and in this connection he applied himself so strenuously that he was literally worked to death, his life having been sacrificed in the cause as fully as those of the gallant young men who fell on the field of battle. Elias Earl died in the year 1921, as a result of tuberculosis, which disease he contracted while in camp at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He enlisted in the United States army in April, 1917, the month in which the nation entered the great world conflict, his physical disability having led to his receiving his honorable discharge at the camp mentioned, and his death having occurred April 11, 1921. Both of these gallant young patriots who thus gave their lives in behalf of their country were bachelors. Bert Emanuel, the next younger son, married May Harin, and they have two children, Bert and Mary. Tenneson Clair is the youngest of the children.

The district schools gave to Doctor Paul his preliminary education, which was advanced by his attending the high school at Hammondsville, Jefferson County, and thereafter, while applying himself to various occupations in order to provide the means for acquiring his professional education, he fortified himself further by taking special preparatory studies under the direction of a private tutor. In 1907 he matriculated in fine old Starling Medical College, which is now the medical department of the Univer-

sity of Ohio, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1911 and with the well earned degree of Doctor of Medicine. He continues a close student of the best standard and periodical literature pertaining to medical and surgical science, and in 1917 he took effective post-graduate work in the great New York Polyclinic. From the year of his graduation to the present time he has been engaged in practice at Steubenville, and in connection with the World war he volunteered and was made a member of the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States army, but was not called into active service. He served as a medical examiner on the draft board of Jefferson County during the war interval, and also as health officer of Steubenville.

Doctor Paul is an active member of the Jefferson County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and he is affiliated also with the Modern Woodmen of America, the Knights of the Maccabees and the Tribe of Ben Hur. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in their home city.

At Grant Hill, Jefferson County, April 14, 1897, Doctor Paul wedded Miss Margaret Jeanette McKenzie, daughter of the late Laughlin James McKenzie and Priscilla Dott (Dorrance) McKenzie, the former of whom died about1914 and the latter on the 30th of October, 1918. Of the children in the McKenzie family the following brief record may be given: Marie is the wife of John C. Hart, and they have one child; Flora is the wife of Elmer Saltsman, and they have two children; Matilda is the wife of Thomas A. McCullough, and they have four children; Mrs. Paul was the next in order of birth; Ernest James, the elder son, has been twice married, first to Elizabeth Glenn, who is survived by one daughter, and, second, to Bessie Miller; Floyd Tenneson married Marie Paisley, and they have one son; and Bessie is the wife of Charles Dever. Laughlin J. McKenzie, who was one of the substantial farmers of Jefferson County, served during the Civil war as a member of Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, Third Division, Sixth Army Corps, took part in many engagements, and May 6, 1864, in the Battle of the Wilderness, he was severely wounded. He was mustered in September 8, 1862, at Camp Steubenville by Alexander E. Drake, and mustered out June 25, 1865, near New York City, by J. C. Robinson. In later years he was an appreciative and honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Doctor and Mrs. Paul have two children: Clyde Ernest and Floyd Earl.

William H. Davey is president of the Mansfield Sheet and Tin Plate Company. This is one of the big industrial concerns of Ohio, but it is even more notable for the remarkable family who control and direct its operations. Several years ago the story of the business and the family was interestingly told in the American Magazine under the title of "Mother Davey and Her Seven Sons."

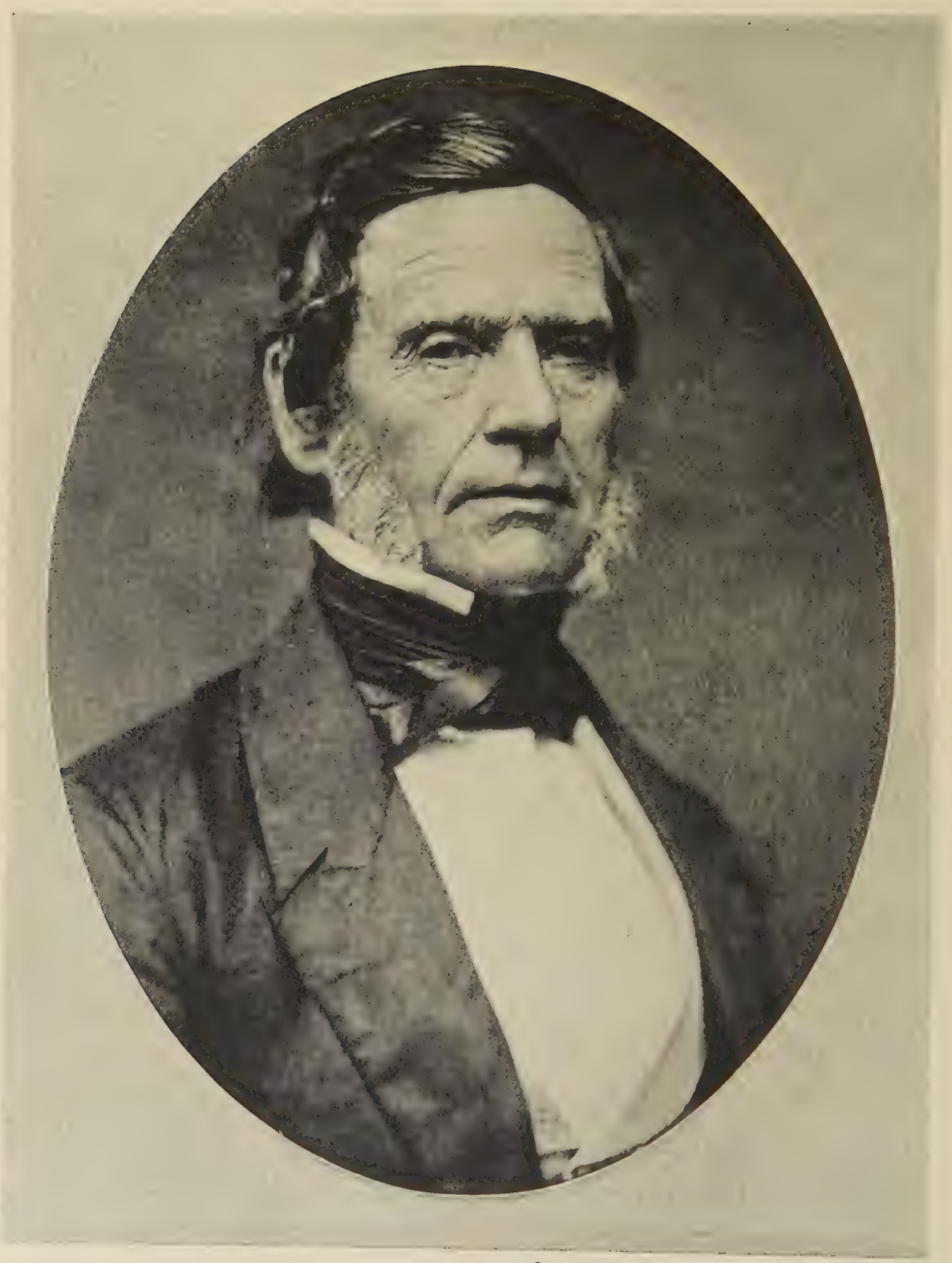
William H. Davey is now the oldest living son. His older brother, Thomas John Davey, died in 1919. The father of these brothers was John Davey, who was born in Devonshire, England, of English parentage, and had a genius for technical work. He and his wife lived in England for a number of years, where all their sons but the youngest were born. There were also four daughters in the family. John Davey was a roller in a sheet steel mill, and was not only an expert himself, but he trained his sons in thoroughness and skill, and it was their complete mastery of every phase of operation in a steel mill that proved the foundation of the great success they achieved at Mansfield.

John Davey came to America and found work at his trade in sheet steel mills, and subsequently had his wife and ten children join him. At that time William H. Davey was twelve years of age, and had already begun work in a mill in his native town. The family lived at various mill centers in Pennsylvania, and subsequently moved to the great Youngstown steel district, locating at Niles. John Davey lived to see all his sons accomplished workers, but died before they had united their capital and skill in establishing a plant of their own.

In the meantime William H. Davey had worked with his father and had been promoted to the responsible position of roller, one of the highest paid trades in steel mills. At Bridgeport, Pennsylvania, he resigned his position as roller, where he was making $5,000 a year, in order to become superintendent of a plant at a salary of $1,500. He was then thirty years of age, but he soon proved his ability as an executive and manager, as well as a master of his own trade. For a time he was general superintendent of the Carnahan Tin Plate & Sheet Company at Canton, and later he built the Massillon Rolling Mill. At Massillon his brothers joined him in the mill, all of them but one having mastered the trade of roller. John Davey trained his sons to a sense of responsibility, and from youth they have been characterized as men of purpose and foresight, sober and and earnest and willing to sacrifice much in order to get ahead. While at Massillon they planned to combine their skill and experience and limited capital to secure a mill of their own. Finally William H. Davey negotiated for the purchase of an abandoned steel plant at Mansfield, where with the aid of the Chamber of Commerce the Mansfield Sheet & Tin Plate Company was organized. The plant began operations in January, 1914. The original capitalization was $250,000, a majority of the stock being held by the Davey family. When the plant was put into operation the eight Davey Brothers comprised the crew for rolling the first sheet of steel, and while all of them have had executive responsibilities, the brothers have taken their turn at the actual work of rolling to prove that they are still masters of their trade. The business proved enormously successful, and by 1920 the capitalization had been increased to $3,000,000. William H. Davey is president of the company. His brother Samuel Davey is second vice president and general manager, Albert I. Davey is first vice president and purchasing agent, John Davey is a superintendent, Harold Davey is district sales manager, with offices in Detroit, Michigan, and another superintendent is the first son born in America, James Garfield Davey. All these brothers were rollers, and Albert was the youngest roller at the Falcon Tire Plate Works of Niles. The only brother who did not accomplish the trade of roller is F. Austin Davey, who chose engineering as his career, and has been chief engineer in charge of construction.

Clarence N. Teaff since leaving high school has given his full time in practice and study to the engineering profession, and nearly all his service has been with the engineering department of the City of Steubenville. He is the present city engineer, and is well qualified both in the technical work of his profession and in his thorough knowledge of all local conditions affecting engineering problems.

Mr. Teaff was born at Steubenville, January 22, 1888, son of Raymond S. and Jessie M. (Ferguson) Teaff, and his grandparents were Nimrod Teaff



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and George and Alice Ferguson. Alice Ferguson is now ninety-four years of age. The Teaffs have been in Ohio for more than 100 years, and are of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Nimrod Teaff lived to the great age of ninety-eight years. Raymond S. Teaff for many years was a painter in the railroad car shops, and is now employed as court bailiff in the Jefferson County Court. He has always been active in politics, interested in public affairs, and a member of the Methodist Church. His wife died in January, 1911. They were the parents of ten children: George, who married Lucy Boyd, and had four children, named Raymond, James, George and Luther; Anna, who married S. M. Rowan, and has five children, Lucille, George, Harry, Scott and Jay; Raymond, Jr., whose wife was Bessie Clark, and their three children are Helen, William and Ruth; Clarence; Walter, unmarried; Hettie, unmarried; Gladys, unmarried; Henry, who married Viola Fornwalt; Helda, who married Arthur Johnson, and has a daughter, Bettie Jane; and Fred.

Clarence N. Teaff was educated in the public schools of Steubenville, finishing his high school course in 1907. In the summer of the same year he became an employe of the city engineer's office, beginning as rodman and chainman. The work was fascinating to him, and he put in all his spare time in studying the technic of civil engineering, and his devotion to the work has brought him his present stage of proficiency. He was appointed city engineer in 1922. In May, 1918, he enlisted and was sent for training to Valparaiso, Indiana, for four weeks; then to Camp Lee, Virginia; and was in training as an engineer at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute until after the signing of the armistice. He served in the rank of sergeant, first class. He was finally sent to the barracks at Columbus, Ohio, where he received his discharge in February, 1919, and then resumed his engineering duties at Steubenville.

Mr. Teaff is unmarried. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias.

William S. Merrell. While the completed life work of every good, conscientious man can scarcely fail to offer lessons that are worth while to learn, it is of yet greater value to posterity when his field of worthy achievement has been broad and his influence great. Such upstanding men and marked personalities as the late William S. Merrell, of Coshocton, cannot pass off the scene of life without leaving a great void behind them, and a memory long preserved in the hearts of their people.

William S. Merrell was a native of Ohio, born at Millersburg, Holmes County, October 15, 1869. His parents, John C. and Jane (Patterson) Merrell, where likewise Ohio born, and descendants of sturdy pioneer families, plain, practical, good, industrious people. In childhood his parents moved on a farm, and his earliest schooling was in the country schools, but later his father, who was a carpenter, moved to Coshocton and went into the carpenter contracting business. As was natural, he taught his son his own trade and probably desired the son to follow in his industrial footsteps, although the youth from childhood cherished the ambition to become a lawyer. He neglected no opportunity for study, and graduated from the Coshocton High School, and the time came when he was admitted as a student in the law office of Pomerene & Pomerene at Coshocton. His progress was rapid on account of his diligence and natural ability, and later he continued his law studies in the Ohio State University. Upon successfully passing the bar examination in 1897 he was admitted to practice, and immediately afterward opened a law office, in a short time, however, becoming the law partner of Hon. Samuel H. Nicholas at Coshocton, which professional connection existed until Judge Nicholas was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court. Mr. Merrell remained alone in practice for some years and then admitted Joseph B. Shepler to a partnership, also Clyde M. Burklew.

For almost a quarter of a century Mr. Merrell ranked with the ablest members of the Coshocton bar, during this time taking part in a vast amount of important work in the courts and building up a reputation not only for thorough knowledge of the law, but for honorable and worthy practice. He was never ambitious politically, but as an influential citizen, was frequently mentioned for high positions in the gift of the democratic party, honors which he declined to accept because of his devotion to the profession he adorned.

In 1899 Mr. Merrell married Miss Letitia Smith, daughter of Isaac T. and Virginia M. (Nicholas) Smith, members of prominent old families of Coshocton County. Mr. and Mrs. Merrell had one daughter, Virginia Jane, who became the wife of Harry B. Smith, a native of New York. Her death occurred December 25, 1920, leaving a son, William Harry Smith. Mrs. Merrell was thus called upon to sustain two heavy bereavements within a very short time, Mr. Merrell passing away on November 30, 1920. She still resides in her home at 844 Main Street, Coshocton, and her widowed mother resides with her. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as was Mr. Merrell, who was interested along many benevolent lines. While never ostentatious or officious, all his life Mr. Merrell was intensely patriotic, and during the World war he demonstrated in many ways his patriotism and public spirit, and did his part, in full degree, in the achievement of victory.

The Deshler Family. No family has played a more conspicuous part in the history of Columbus than that bearing the name of Deshler, its members having been for three generations exceedingly prominent in financial, business and social circles, and having always exhibited those sterling traits of character which make for the highest type of good citizenship. A member of this old and honored family of the city is John Green Deshler, whose connection with the financial life of Columbus has been long and constant.

The Deshler family originated in Alsace-Lorraine, from whence its representatives came to the American colonies, settling in Eastern Pennsylvania, and when war was declared between these colonies and England several bearing the name enlisted in the Colonial army and fought valiantly in the American Revolution. It was from that part of the Keystone State that the late David W. Deshler came to Ohio, he being the first of the name to locate in this state.

David W. Deshler was born at Allentown, Pennsylvania, January 19, 1792, and he died at Columbus, Ohio, September 1, 1869, having in the meanwhile become one of the distinguished men of the latter city. It was after his marriage to Elizabeth Green that he moved from Easton, Pennsylvania, to Columbus, August 1, 1817. A man of broad vision, David W. Deshler saw that there was a great future for the city of his choice, and that investment in real estate was sure to be profitable. Also he and his wife were the kind of people who could not have been content residing in a home owned by someone else. Therefore, immediately upon their arrival in this city they bought a lot on the north side of Broad Street, just west of High Street, and this property is now included in the site of the magnificent

Deshler Hotel. Like the majority of the young couples of those days, their resources were limited, and arrangements were made by means of which they paid $200 in cash; turned over a gold watch worth $200, and gave notes for $400 to be paid in 1819; and for $200 to be paid in 1820. The price of $1,000 was considered exorbitant, but the astuteness of Mr. Deshler in his selection was proven many times over in the years that followed.

Upon this lot he and his wife erected a one-story frame house of two rooms, one of which he used for some time as a work shop, for this embryo financier and big business man was a carpenter and cabinetmaker by trade. From the letters written by the little bride to her Pennsylvania relatives many interesting sidelights are thrown on the early days in the capital city. She speaks of the low prices on everything with the exception of salt, coffee and a few other foodstuffs; of the superiority of the peaches grown in the city; of the fact that the Methodist Meetinghouse was the only one in the city, and that the Presbyterians were holding services in the statehouse; that Auditor of State Osborn had cut up their pork and smoked it for them; and that her husband had obtained employment on the construction of the statehouse, which he hoped would give them sufficient money to meet their payment on their lot. Later she wrote of their obtaining a pew in the new Presbyterian Meetinghouse for 37½ cents; that after five months of work her husband had not received a cent in money, having to trade out his wages. In December, 1820, she wrote that Mr. Deshler had obtained his first work in ten months, which was making shelves for the state library. She also wrote of the prevailing ill health of the little community, she and Mr. Deshler having suffered not only being sick themselves, but losing their first-born child. During the years of 1823, 1824 and 1825 there was a stagnation of business, and life was hard for the Deshlers and their neighbors, but in the beginning of 1826 matters began to improve, sanitary conditions were better, but the following year Mr. Deshler suffered a heavy loss in her death, when their son William G. Deshler was but ten weeks old, and she was but thirty.

In 1845 David W. Deshler began to take the place in affairs to which his talents entitled him, when he bought the stock of the former Franklin Bank of Columbus, founded in 1816, reorganized it, and served it as president until 1854, when its stock was turned over to the Franklin National Bank, with its $400,000 in deposits. At that time he, William G. Deshler and John G. Deshler, Sr., became directors of the new organization. When David W. Deshler died, in 1869, his son John G. Deshler, Sr., became president, and so continued until his death in 1885, at which time the bank was closed. The Deshlers also were active in the management of the Clinton Bank, the second one of Columbus, of which David W. Deshler was one of the first directors, its third cashier, and of which William G. Deshler was for ten years teller.

David W. Deshler was on the committee in charge of the dedication of the new statehouse, in 1857, and was also treasurer of the committee which had for their use on this occasion $4,703, and reported a balance of $300. From 1829 to 1838 he was treasurer of the First Franklin County School District, during which period he was given about $160 annually to spend on each school. He served as a justice of the peace; and was a director of the first railroad, the Columbus & Xenia, which was incorporated in 1844, and was the first to be built into the city.

William Green Deshler was born at Columbus, May 24, 1827, and was educated in private schools of Columbus and Eastern Pennsylvania. Entering the Clinton Bank, he continued in the banking business, developing eventually the Deshler National Bank.

In 1857 William G. Deshler was one of a committee which had in charge the planting of trees on East Broad Street, and two years later this idea was expanded to include a double row of the trees on each side of the street.

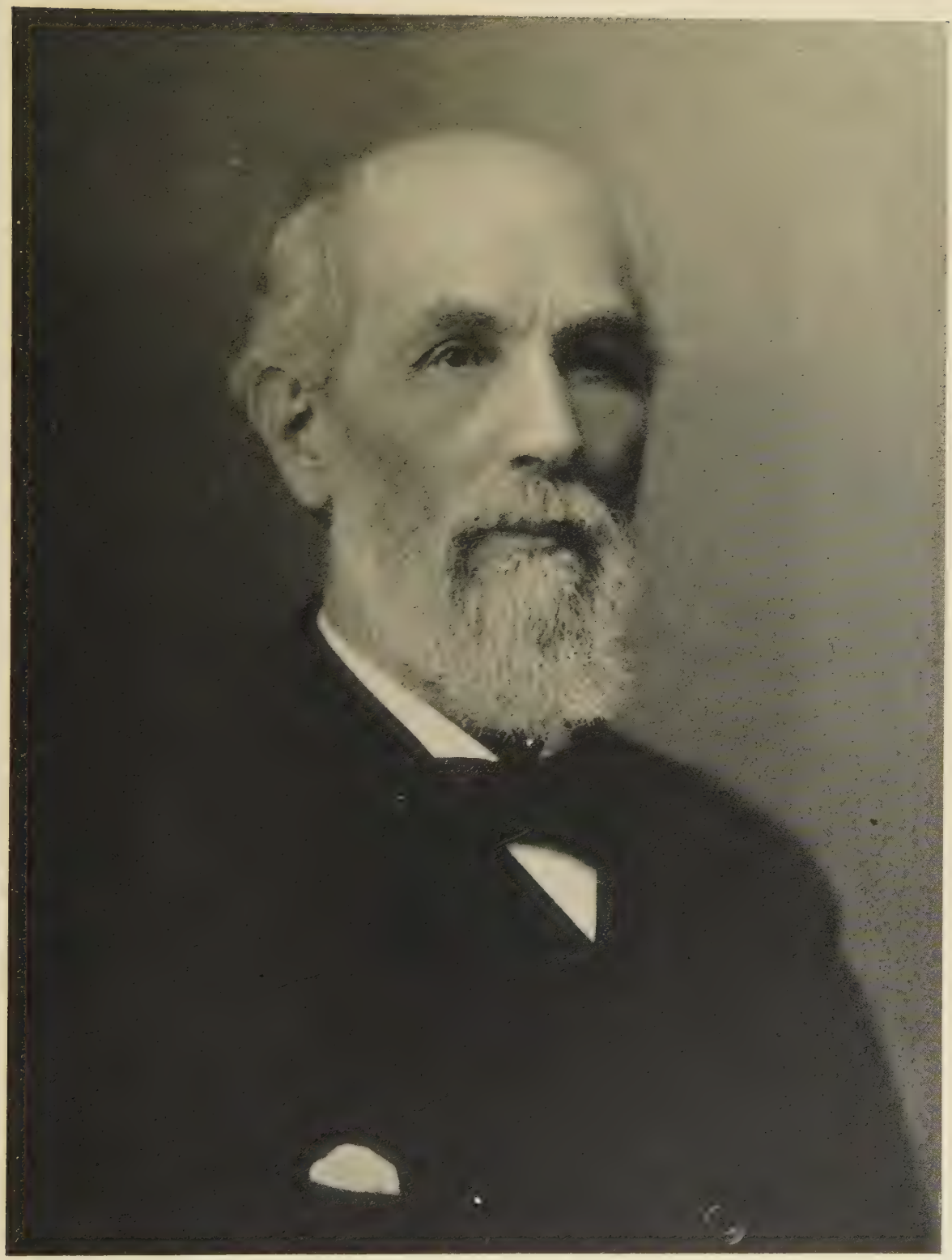
When war broke out between the North and the South, William G. Deshler, as was but natural in a man of his high character, took a very impressive part in local war work, and was the advisor of S. P. Chase, secretary of the treasurer under President Lincoln. Ill health kept him from going to the front, but he was much more useful looking after affairs at home. He was one of the men, being associated in the work with two others, who organized and financed a temporary provisioning plan to take care of the volunteers, which reduced the cost one-half, and provided much better accommodations. In 1863, as a member of a delegation, he went to Washington, and a result of this trip was the establishment in the city of a Government arsenal that later became Columbus Barracks, and is now Fort Hayes.

The public library of Columbus has alcoves established by John G. and William G. Deshler. David W. and William G. Deshler and Allen G. Thurman sold to the City of Columbus in April, 1867, what was then known as Stewart's Grove, for $15,000, and this first became City Park, was later known as Schiller Park, but since the World war has been known as Washington Park. William G. Deshler assisted in founding the Hocking Valley Railroad, first known as the Mineral Railroad Company, which was finally completed and dedicated January 13, 1879.

A man of many benevolences, William G. Deshler created a fund to be known as the Kate Deshler Hunter Fund of $33,000, in memory of his daughter, the proceeds of which were to be used in special maternity cases by the Columbus Female Benevolent Society, to which he also contributed $100,000, in memory of his mother. Two years later he contributed $17,000 more to be funded, under his daughter's name, for the use of orphans and other destitute children. These benefactions, now grown to approximately $400,000, provide for the payment of a certain proportion of the income to the Hannah Neil Mission and the Home of the Friendless. The death of this great financier and philanthropist occurred February 16, 1916.

William G. Deshler was married three times, first to Olive Clark, who lived only six months. His second marriage was with Ann Eliza Sinks, who bore him three children, namely: John G.; Kate Deshler Hunter, who is deceased; and Mary Deshler Warner, who is also deceased. The third wife of William G. Deshler was Elizabeth Jones, a daughter of Dr. I. J. Jones, of Columbus, and they had three daughters, namely: Elizabeth Deshler Sowers, who is deceased; and Louise Deshler Cox and Helen Deshler Brown, both of whom survive.

John Green Deshler was born on Broad Street, Columbus, December 9, 1852, and he attended the city's public schools and Kenyon College, although he left the latter institution before graduation to become a messenger for the Exchange National Bank, and from then on has been connected with some of the very important financial operations of the city. One of the organizers of the Deshler National Bank, he was its president at the time of its consolidation, in 1910, with the Hayden-Clifton Bank, since which time he has served as a director or as a member of its executive committee. Almost ever since it was organized he has been connected with the Buckeye Steel Castings Company, of which he is now a director. He was president and the guiding force that



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organized the Central Ohio Natural Gas & Fuel Company, discoverers of natural gas in the Lancaster fields, and the concern that piped it to Columbus.

Another monument to the Deshler family, known all over the country, is the Deshler Hotel, which he built as trustee of the Deshler estate, on the site of the original Deshler homestead, and he has been extensively interested during the past year in real estate, erecting many residences in different parts of the city, as well as the Wyandotte Office Building in 1894, the first skyscraper in Ohio. This historic building was sold to the State of Ohio in 1916, and is now used by it as an office building.

John G. Deshler married Minnie Greene, a daughter of the late M. M. Greene, who built the Hocking Valley and the Columbus & Toledo railroads. They had two daughters, Ann Eliza and Martha Greene. Mr. Deshler belongs to the Columbus, Scioto Country, Columbus Country, Athletic clubs of Columbus, the Union League Club of New York, the Flintridge Country Club of Pasadena, California, and the Columbus Chamber of Commerce. That Mr. Deshler is very proud of his family goes without saying, for its record is a most remarkable one. He cherishes many family relics, among which perhaps, the most prized is the rare old piano brought by the family to the Colonies, in 1732, on the sailing vessel Saint Andrew. This instrument, one of the first to be brought to this country, is priceless, and in spite of its age is in excellent condition. From the above record it is easy to see that the Deshler family has not only been one of the most prominent, but also the most interesting of those which have aided so materially in developing and advancing the best interests of Columbus and Franklin County.

John Daniel Fair, Doctor of Veterinary Surgery, and a former president of the Ohio State Veterinary Association, has had a long and successful practice in his chosen field, and has rendered many notable services in his home community and to the cause of veterinary surgery at large.

He was born on a farm in Holmes County, Ohio, February 28, 1863, son of Phineas and Margaret (Fisher) Fair. His parents were natives of Pennsylvania, and his father was one of the early settlers of Clark Township, Holmes County, Ohio, where he spent his active career as a farmer. He was honored with several local offices, and for twenty-two years taught country schools. In politics he was a democrat, and was a member of the United Brethren Church. His first wife was Margaret Fisher, who became the mother of five children. His second wife was Mary Hoover, and by this marriage there was one son.

John Daniel Fair grew up on the farm, and early manifested a keen interest in livestock, both as a business and as a profession. He attended country schools, taught school for two years, and completed his professional education in the American Veterinary College, a department of New York University. He graduated with the degree Doctor of Veterinary Surgery in 1887, receiving two medals of honor for his student work. He began his professional career at Berlin, Ohio, and had a very extensive country practice over that section for a quarter of a century. In 1912 he located at Millersburg, and has been a busy man in his work, and conducts a high class veterinary hospital.

Doctor Fair has been a member of the Ohio State Veterinary Association since 1887, served as its president three years, and has never missed an annual meeting in thirty-five years. He was a resident state secretary for Ohio of the American Veterinary Association for five years, and has done much original research and investigation in his field, as a result of his experience preparing and reading a number of papers before the State and National Veterinary associations. He has also for a number of years been a member of the Ohio State Veterinary Board of Examiners, being first appointed by Governor Harmon.

In addition to the heavy responsibilities of his professional work Doctor Fair has owned and conducted several farms, and has made this line of business successful. He is a democrat, and a member of the Methodist Church. He is president of the Holmes County Savings & Loan Company, and has been a director of the Commercial and Savings Bank at Millersburg since its organization. During the World war he acted as chairman of the Holmes County Relief Fund and as chairman of the Holmes County Young Men's Christian Association drive. He is now president of the Joel Pomerene Memorial Hospital Fund. He is a charter member of the Rotary Club, and all his affiliations speak favorably of his success.

On September 15, 1887, he married Emma Ruth Hitchcock, a native of Holmes County and daughter of John and Ruth Hitchcock. Of the three children born to their marriage two died in infancy. The surviving daughter is Britta Elizabeth, wife of A. S. Canfield, of Millersburg.

John Sherman Elder, D. D. S., has had a prominent career in his profession and also in the public and business life of his home Town of Millersburg, Holmes County.

Doctor Elder was born in Carroll County, Ohio, on a farm August 31, 1859, son of John and Sarah Jane (Kerr) Elder. His parents were born in Ohio, his grandfather, John Elder, coming to this state from Pennsylvania and entering the land in Carroll County, where he spent the rest of his life. The Elder family is of Scotch-Irish ancestry and the Kerrs of Scotch ancestry. John Elder, father of Doctor Elder, was a farmer, and always lived in Carroll County.

The second in a family of two children, John Sherman Elder, was reared at Scio, Harrison County, where he attended country schools and old Scio College.

In 1881, at Millersburg, he married Miss Belle Voorhees, daughter of Judge C. F. Voorhees. For a time after his marriage he lived at Scio. In 1883 he returned to Millersburg, and for three years he was in business as a stove and tinware dealer. For the next three years he continued in the drug business, and then entered the dental department of the Ohio Medical University of Columbus, where he was graduated in 1894. Doctor Elder has had thirty years' experience in his profession, and has long been prominent in the surgical side of dentistry. He is a member of the Ohio State and Canton District Society of Dental Surgeons. His mechanical disposition, a trait since boyhood, has been of much help to him in his professional work and has given him other diversions. He has long been a skilled taxidermist, mounting many animals and birds.

Doctor Elder has twice served Millersburg in the office of mayor. Each time he was elected on the republican ticket in a strong democratic community. For his first term he took office in January, 1916. In 1920 he was again elected. Soon after beginning the practice of dentistry he was appointed waterworks trustee at Millersburg, and held that office for twelve years. Doctor Elder is a member of the Masonic Order and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

His first wife died, leaving two children. In 1911 he married Mary E. Mason, daughter of William Mason, of Columbus. She is a graduate of the McCormack Neurological College of Chicago, and

now practices osteopathy in the same office with her husband.

Doctor Elder's two children are Beulah, now wife of W. R. Ewing, of Chicago, and Charles V., now athletic director at Bethany College, West Virginia. He is an ex-service man, having been overseas fourteen months during the war. C. V. Elder married Ruth Whaley, of New Castle, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD DURFEE, secretary of the Marion Building Savings & Loan Company, the oldest building and loan association in Marion County, director of the Huber Manufacturing Company, and one of the most enterprising business men of this part of Ohio, was born at Marion, Ohio, September 14, 1836. He is a son of Gardner and Mary (Switzer) Durfee, and a member of one of the old and honored families of the United States, the progenitor of which was Thomas Durfee, who came to the American colonies from England in 1643 and located at Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Here he prospered and became prominent in public matters, serving as a member of the governor's council.

Gardner Durfee was born in Rhode Island, February 14, 1807, and died at Marion, Ohio, October 21, 1844. In 1832, with his brother Joseph, he came to Marion, and was for years engaged in working at his trade of cabinet making. A whig in political faith, he served as a member of the Town Council of Marion. A zealous Methodist, he was very active in forwarding the erection of the first Methodist Church edifice at Marion. After the death of his first wife Gardner Durfee married Mary Switzer, who was born at Fort Miller, Saratoga County, New York, August 17, 1813, and died at Marion February 15, 1883.

Edward Durfee was educated in a Marion County school conducted by his uncle, Henry B. Durfee, and he learned the trade of cabinet maker with a cousin, Albertus Howe, with whom he served an apprenticeship of three years. After that he alternated working at his trade with attending high school. Going in 1858 to Plymouth, Ohio, he clerked in a hardware store of that city until 1860, when he went to Columbus, Ohio, and for a time was a clerk in the store of J. L. Gill & Son. In September, 1862, he returned to Marion and became teller in the Bank of Marion, and rendered so efficient a service that he was retained in it during its different reorganization during a period of twenty-eight years, rising through successive promotions to be assistant cashier. From 1868 to 1878 he was also secretary of the Union Building & Loan Association. In 1888, while still with the Bank of Marion, now known as the Marion National Bank, he became secretary of the Marion Building & Loan Association, which he assisted in organizing. Since 1904 he has devoted practically all of his time to its affairs. He was one of the organizers of the Marion Street Railway Company, and served it as president-treasurer from 1894 to 1902. For some years he was director of the Marion Electric Light & Power Company, and after these concerns were merged into the Marion Railway Light & Power Company he continued a director of the new corporation for several years thereafter. In 1875 he was one of the incorporators of the Huber Manufacturing Company, and has continued on its board of directors ever since.

Some idea of the Marion Building Savings & Loan Company may be gathered from the fact that at the close of business April 30, 1924, the annual statement showed a substantial gain in assets which indicates a healthy condition of the company. This is the result of constant and diligent effort to serve the people of this community by the encouragement of thrift through the savings accounts, which return a dividend of 5.20 per cent, compounded semi-annually. Home owning also has been made possible to many during the past years by their reasonable terms and fair dealing. An installment loan has many advantages and enables one by small, regular payments to become free from debt and to enjoy enduring prosperity which comes from full ownership of a home. The headquarters of the company are maintained at 128 West Center Street, Marion. The present officials are: Frank A. Huber, president; L. B. McNeal, vice president; Edward Durfee, secretary, and these gentlemen with Harvey T. Gracely, W. L. Morral, E. Kuhler, C. W. Leffler and W. N. Harder form the Board of Directors.

On June 13, 1861, Mr. Durfee married, at Plymouth, Ohio, Miss Mary Asenath Short, a daughter of Daniel and Ann W. (Pettingill) Short. She was born at Haverhill, Massachusetts, July 20, 1834, and died at Marion, October 4, 1903. She was a very active worker in the Baptist Church up to the time of her death. Politically Mr. Durfee is a republican. His hobby is the raising of roses, and his garden attracts universal admiration from all beholders. Three children were born to him and his wife, namely: Grace Pettingill; Florence Switzer, who is assistant secretary of the Marion Building Savings & Loan Company; and Margaret Isabell, who is deceased.

RICHARD B. WITT. In January, 1923, when Richard B. Witt was elected sheriff of Hamilton County, the people of this community gave expression to their appreciation of the manner in which he had discharged his former public duties in the office of county treasurer. He has displayed the same energy and ability, as well as conscientiousness, that he showed in his former office, and his record is one that entitles him to the further support and confidence of his fellow citizens.

Mr. Witt was born in Hamilton County, Ohio, December 15, 1867, and is a son of Richard B. Witt, Sr. His education was acquired in the public schools of Cincinnati, and at the age of eighteen years he started to work, learning the trade of sheet metal worker. For a number of years he was employed at various plants in Ohio, but finally entered business on his own account, and at this time is senior member of the firm of Witt & Brown, proprietors of a leading sheet metal works at Cincinnati. A republican in his political views, when the people of Hamilton County decided that a business man should be picked for county treasurer, Mr. Witt's name suggested itself as a possibility because of the practical manner in which he had made use of his opportunities in building up a successful business enterprise. In 1916 he was elected to that office by the largest vote on the republican ticket, and served in the office four years. In January, 1923, he was elected county sheriff, again by the largest vote on the ticket, and will probably be his party's next choice for the same office for a second term. Mr. Witt is widely known in various circles of Cincinnati, where he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Business Men's Club, the North Central Turner Hall and the Cincinnati Gymnasium.

In 1899 Mr. Witt was united in marriage with Miss Kathryn Schlosser, and they are the parents of two sons: Richard, who is identified with the firm of Witt & Brown; and Robert, who is connected with the Fleischmann Company of New York.

CLETUS WEAVER attained to membership at the Ohio bar more than thirty years ago, but much of his time was taken up with newspaper business and other affairs until the last decade, during which he has been one of the busy attorneys in practice at Dover. Mr. Weaver was born in Tuscarawas County,

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on a farm, April 26, 1868, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Cherryholmes) Weaver. His father, a native of Pennsylvania, early in life settled in Tuscarawas County, and volunteered and served as a Union soldier in the Civil war. After the war he divided his time between farming and the carpenter's trade. His first wife died, leaving him three young children, and he subsequently married Anna Meyer, and of their children three grew to mature years. He brought up his family on a farm, and proved most worthy in all the relationships of life. He held several township offices, was a republican and reached the age of sixty-eight.

In boyhood and early manhood Cletus Weaver experienced much of the toil of the farm. He attended the short winter terms in the country schools, and there gained recognition for his apt scholarship and diligence. When still in his teens he secured a teacher's certificate, and after that for some years he taught in the schools alternately. In that way he acquired a liberal education by taking summer courses in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and in 1893 was graduated in law at this institution. He continued teaching until 1895 and then for a year practiced at Ottawa, Ohio. In 1896 he established his home in Dover, and for twenty years in one capacity or another was actively identified with the newspaper business. In 1916 he engaged in the practice of law as his regular profession. For the past fifteen years he has held the office and performed the duties of justice of the peace. In 1902 he was elected mayor of Dover, was reelected in 1904, and then and since has given much time to the affairs of the community. He was for about twenty years a member of the Dover Chamber of Commerce, and its secretary for most of that time. Mr. Weaver is a republican, and fraternally is affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America and the National Union. He married, in 1904, Miss Elizabeth Berndt.

Henry W. Streb. The family name of Streb has been associated with many of the substantial business interests, professional life and public affairs of Tuscarawas County for several generations. A banker, business man and public official was the late Henry W. Streb of Dover. His son, Joseph H. Streb, is the leading attorney of Dover.

Henry W. Streb was born at Strasburg, Tuscarawas County, January 25, 1865. His grandfather was a native of Germany, and was one of the early pioneer Germans who settled in Tuscarawas County and to an important degree influenced its early development. The parents of Henry W. Streb were Joseph J. and Catherine (Krantz) Streb. His father was a native of Tuscarawas County, and one of the respected farmer citizens.

Henry W. Streb grew up on a farm, acquired a good education, and as a youth took up school teaching as a vocation. He taught in the rural schools and then in the high school at Dover, in that way beginning his long connection with Dover as his home town. During President Cleveland's second term, in the '90s, Mr. Streb was appointed postmaster of Dover, holding the office four years. The unusual ability he showed in the administration of this office brought him many important business connections, and he was also a farmer. He served as a state bank examiner, and in 1915 was again appointed postmaster at Dover, by President Wilson, and was filling that office when death came to him on March 30, 1920.

He was one of the leaders of the democratic party in his home county, and at one time was mayor of Dover. He was president of the First National Bank of Dover, was president of the Dover Chamber of Commerce, and during the World war a member of the War Chest Funds Board. He was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

As a young man he married Miss Ninah Sterling, daughter of Jacob Sailor and Margaret (Moffit) Sterling, her father of English and her mother of Scotch ancestry. Her grandfather, John Sterling, came to Ohio from Maryland and was a pioneer of Tuscarawas County. Mrs. Henry W. Streb, a native of Tuscarawas County, was assistant postmaster at Dover under her husband, and at his death was chosen postmaster and filled out his unexpired term. She is the mother of two children, Joseph H. and Naomi.

Joseph H. Streb was born at Dover, Ohio, November 13, 1894, and at the age of thirty has reached a promising place of success in his profession. He was reared at Dover, was a graduate of high school there, and took his advanced education in Western Reserve University at Cleveland, graduating with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1918, and with his law degree in 1920. In September, 1918, he enlisted for service at Cleveland, and was attending the Officers' Training School at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, when the armistice was signed. He was granted an honorable discharge in December, 1918, and then resumed his law studies. He is a member of the American Legion Post. For two years he practiced law at New Philadelphia, and since then has built up a profitable practice at Dover.

He is a democrat, a member of the Masonic Order, Elks, Knights of Pythias, the Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club. Joseph H. Streb married in 1921 Miss Mae Marshall, daughter of A. S. Marshall, the Pennsylvania Railway agent at Dover. They have two young children, Marcia Ann and Joseph Marshall Streb.

James D. Johnson, a lawyer of ability and successful achievement, a former member of the Ohio State Senate, a citizen of unqualified loyalty and public spirit, and a business man of constructive stewardship, this well known citizen of Celina, Mercer County, has found varied and ample demands upon his motivating energies and powers. In his home city, judicial center of Mercer County, Mr. Johnson is now serving as city attorney, and here he is president and general counsel of each the National Mutual Insurance Company and the Celina Mutual Casualty Company, of which more specific mention is made in the personal sketch of their secretary, Edgar J. Brookhart, on other pages of this publication.

James D. Johnson was born in Adams County, Indiana, November 26, 1858, and is a son of the late George W. and Nancy M. (Neptune) Johnson, the father having given the greater part of his active life to farm industry. In the public schools James D. Johnson continued his studies until he had profited by the advantages of the high school, and thereafter he pursued higher academic studies by attending Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. In fortifying himself for his chosen profession he completed a course in the Cincinnati College of Law, and he has been established in the successful practice of his profession at Celina for more than forty years, as he here opened his first law office on the 11th of April, 1882. He has long had a large and important law business, which has involved his appearance in many major litigations in the various courts of this section of the state, and he has been a leader also in the councils and campaign activities of the democratic party in Ohio. In 1893 Mr. Johnson was elected to the State Senate, as representative of the Thirty-second Senatorial District, and in 1895 he was reelected. He was the recognized minority leader in the

Senate during his two terms, there having been at the time only five or six other democratic members, and his ability as a speaker and a worker for constructive legislation made him an influential leader of his party both as touching the work of the Senate and that of its representatives throughout the state. He was author and advocate of the measure that resulted in the passage of the law regulating the practice of medicine in Ohio. He drafted the bill to change the form of capital execution in the state from hanging to electrocution. He was the first in the United States to draft and introduce a bill providing that in connection with work on railroads and all public works the minimum wage should be $1.25 a day, his conviction being that labor was not receiving just compensation for such service. He championed this bill to passage by the Senate, but it failed to pass in the House of Representatives. In this action on his part was made the first attempt by any state or any nation to regulate wages. Republican members of the Ohio Legislature exploited a bill requiring all inmates of soldiers homes and county infirmaries to return home to cast their votes, and as leader of the democratic minority in the Senate, Senator Johnson vigorously opposed this bill, with the result that it was defeated. He made a vital fight to exempt from taxation the machinery required by and owned by farmers, this bill having passed the Senate but having met defeat in the House. Mr. Johnson was a member of the Senate at the time when the late President McKinley retired from the office of governor of Ohio. Governor McKinley had made a number of appointments that after his retirement from office required confirmation by the Senate. Those appointments were opposed by Governor Bushnell, successor of Governor McKinley, and it was primarily due to the loyal efforts of Senator Johnson that these original appointments were confirmed. He fought the movement to appropriate $140,000 to meet a deficiency in connection with public works in the state, and in voicing his opposition to this political measure he showed that the public-works system of Ohio had already cost the state $21,000,000 more than its service had earned. His forceful presentation of the case led to the defeat of the appropriation. He was the leader in forcing the passage by the Senate of Governor Bushnell's bill for the erection of a governor's mansion at the state capital, this measure having been strongly opposed by republican members of the Legislature. He was a member of the Elective College from his district, the fourth, in 1912, when President Wilson was nominated. Mr. Johnson was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention at Kansas City, when William J. Bryan was nominated for the presidency over David Bennett Hill, of New York. Senator Johnson was on the same train that conveyed Governor Hill and his party to the convention, and he was called into consultation with Governor Hill relative to the latter's chances for nomination. He advised Governor Hill that he could not be nominated and suggested that the best course would be for him to go to Lincoln, Nebraska, for a personal conference with Mr. Bryan. This advice was followed and resulted in the uniting of the democrats of the East and the West. Senator Johnson was the only person who gave to Governor Hill advice to take this action.

Mr. Johnson has ever shown most loyal interest in all that has concerned the civic and material welfare of his home city and county, and during twenty-two years of continuous service as city attorney he has never lost a case for the city. He is legal representative of a number of important business concerns besides the two insurance corporations of which he is president, and among these are the Citizens Banking Company, The Mersman Brothers & Brandts Manufacturing Company, Celina Specialty Company, The Brandts Manufacturing Company, and the Palmer-Miller Grain Company. He is attorney also for the Ohio Electric Service Company of St. Marys. He has thrice been tendered by his party nomination for the United States Congress, but has in each instance refused, notwithstanding that his district is strongly democratic and his nomination would virtually have implied election. He is affiliated with the Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Masonic fraternity and Eastern Star. He is a member of the local Kiwanis Club and the North Shore Country Club, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in their home city.

June 23, 1886, recorded the marriage of Mr. Johnson and Miss Rebecca Darrah, whose father was a distinguished Presbyterian clergyman in Ohio. Mrs. Johnson passed to the life eternal in 1912, and is survived by three children: Jesse D. is engaged in the electrical business in the city of Columbus; Ruth A. is the wife of Burton C. Nafzger, secretary and superintendent of The Brandts Manufacturing Company of Celina; and Miss Winnifred K. remains at the paternal home.

The second marriage of Mr. Johnson was solemnized November 26, 1913, when Miss Sevilla Myers became his wife, she being a daughter of Daniel Myers, who is one of the representative farmers of Mercer County. Her mother dying when she was small, Mrs. Johnson was reared by her uncle and aunt, Captain and Mrs. Samuel A. Nickerson. Mrs. Johnson is secretary of the local chapter of the American Red Cross, and is an active and valued member of the Altrurian Club, the 1914 Club and the Community Club.

Samuel Shaweker, M. D. A member of the medical fraternity at Dover for nearly a quarter of a century, Doctor Shaweker's prominence and success in his profession are attested by many evidences in that locality. Doctor Shaweker is also well known as a banker and financier.

Doctor Shaweker while a youth had little encouragement from his father in his proposed plans to get a higher education to fit himself for a professional calling. Reared on a farm, immersed in its toil, he had the privilege of attending country schools only during the short winter terms until he was fifteen. His application and his native talents enabled him to make splendid use of such limited opportunities, and at fifteen he passed a successful examination for a teacher's license. With that evidence of his scholastic attainments his father thought there was no further need of his attending school. For two years Doctor Shaweker pursued his studies privately, and at the age of seventeen again secured a teacher's certificate. With that he engaged to teach a country school in Holmes County. He taught a very successful term of school, and for eight years continued his work in the rural schools of Holmes and Coshocton counties, using that profession as a source of means to equip himself for medicine and surgery.

Dr. Samuel Shaweker was born on a farm at New Bedford, in Coshocton County, December 23, 1862, son of George F. and Dorothy (Trautwein) Shaweker. His parents were born in Germany, but were married in Ohio, and his father was a tanner by trade and later engaged in farming. The farm where he lived all his life and died at the age of eighty-six had been acquired by him from its original owner after passing out of the Government ownership. George F. Shaweker was a democrat and a member of the German Lutheran Church. His wife reached the age of eighty-two. Dorothy Trautwein was the second wife of George F. Shaweker, he having two children by a previous marriage. Doctor

Shaweker is one of a family of five daughters and two sons, his brother being George F. Shaweker of Coshocton.

Samuel Shaweker spent one year studying medicine under Dr. S. P. Snyder of New Bedford, and then entered the medical department of the University of Maryland, at Baltimore, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1893. He immediately located at Shanesville, Ohio, and enjoyed a good country practice there until 1900, since which year he has had the broader opportunities of professional work in the City of Dover. He has taken two post-graduate courses, at the Chicago Polyclinic and Chicago Post Graduate School of Medicine. For several years in addition to his professional work he acted as president of the Dover Building & Loan Association and is now president of the First National Bank of Dover.

Doctor Shaweker married, in 1887, Margaret Troendly, and two sons and one daughter were born to their marriage. The sons are: Kenneth Earl and Max Shaweker, both talented young physicians at Dover. The daughter, Esther, married James Patrick, of New Philadelphia, present county prosecuting attorney.

Samuel B. McGuire, M. D. The activities of a hard working physician and surgeon over a period of thirty years lend distinction to the name of Dr. Samuel B. McGuire, a resident of Dover, Tuscarawas County. His maternal grandfather was one of the pioneer physicians of Harrison County, Ohio.

Samuel B. McGuire was born on a farm near the Town of Bowerston, in Harrison County, Ohio, September 19, 1867, son of Sampson and Elizabeth (Crumley) McGuire. Sampson McGuire was born in Ireland, and was three years of age when his father, James McGuire, brought him and a sister to the United States, their mother having died. James McGuire was an easy-going Irishman, and finally settled in Harrison County. His son Sampson was bound out when a boy, and in after years Sampson hunted up his sister and established his home in Harrison County, their father spending his last days with them. Sampson McGuire was a well known farmer in Eastern Ohio, and died at the age of sixty-six.

His wife, Elizabeth Crumley, was born and reared in Harrison County, being the oldest daughter of William Crumley. William Crumley was born in England, graduated from Oxford College, and after establishing a home at Tappan in Harrison County, Ohio, practiced medicine in that community for nearly half a century. He died at the age of seventy. The mother of Doctor McGuire died at the age of eighty-seven, and of her five sons and three daughters Samuel B. is the youngest.

Samuel B. McGuire grew up in a rural locality, attending the common schools, and supplementing these advantages at Hopedale and Scio colleges. Four years of teaching experience gave him some of the means to prepare for a professional career. For two years he studied medicine under Dr. W. A. Welsh at Tappan, spent two years enrolled as a student in Western Reserve University, in the Medical Department, and in 1893 graduated Doctor of Medicine from the Baltimore Medical College. Doctor McGuire for ten years practiced at Bowerston in his native county, but since 1903 has been a resident of Dover. His work has shown him to be the possessor of unusual talents and abilities as a physician and surgeon. He is very well informed, and capable in eye, ear and throat diseases, having taken post-graduate work in that specialty in Chicago and New York. He is acting as local surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railway Company, the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company, and is a member of the Union Hospital staff. He belongs to the Tuscarawas County and Ohio State Medical societies.

Doctor McGuire is a staunch democrat in politics. In 1910 he was elected and served one term with marked credit as a member of the State Senate. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and belongs to the Moravian Church. Doctor McGuire married in 1893 Miss Laura M. Davis, daughter of Elias and Elizabeth Davis, of Harrison County, where she was born and reared.

James A. Barr, postmaster of the City of Dover, was appointed to that office, but his appointment was in fact in a nature of a deserved promotion, since he had been for many years experienced in the postal service of that city.

Mr. Barr is a native of Tuscarawas County, born in the little locality known as Barr's Mill, on December 2, 1868. His grandfather, Samuel Barr, was a native of Pennsylvania, of Holland Dutch ancestry, and a pioneer settler in Stark County, Ohio. The parents of James A. Barr were David and Lavina (Tohm) Barr, both of them born and reared in Stark County. Soon after their marriage David Barr bought a mill in Tuscarawas County, and continued its operation for many years. In addition he built a storeroom, and established and conducted for the convenience of the neighborhood a postoffice. Ever since the locality has been known as Barr's Mill. David Barr was a good business man, strong in character, a staunch supporter of the Union during the Civil war, a republican, and both he and his wife were active Lutherans. David Barr died October 12, 1883, at the age of sixty-four, having survived his wife two years. They had two daughters and two sons, a son and daughter now living.

James A. Barr was twelve years old when his mother died, and two years later he was left an orphan by the death of his father. Since fourteen, therefore, he has directed his own career. Growing up at Barr's Mill, he attended common schools there, and afterwards completed a business course at Mansfield, Ohio. For some years he and his brother operated the old mill until the property was sold. From childhood he has been familiar with the business of milling, and this experience afforded him his chief source of livelihood for many years. After leaving his father's old mill he was employed by the Hardesty Milling Company at Dover, and for five years was a traveling salesman, selling flour, first for a Kansas City Milling Company and later for a company at Red Cloud, Minnesota.

At the time Dover was given free mail delivery Mr. Barr, in order that he might be at home with his family, sought and secured the position of a mail carrier, later he became mailing clerk, and performed the duties of that position in the Dover postoffice fourteen years. From subordinate position in the postoffice appointments from President Harding in October, 1921, raised him to the office of postmaster. He received his commission November 15, 1921, and has been made his administration a constant source of good service to the community.

Mr. Barr is a republican, a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Lutheran Church. He married, December 25, 1890, Miss Mary Hostetler, who died in October, 1892, leaving no children. On November 14, 1894, Mr. Barr married Elizabeth Burkel. They have four children. The oldest, Harold C., was with the United States Army during the World war as assistant pharmacist, with the rank of sergeant, at Debarkation Hospital at Ellis Island. He is a member of the American Legion and is in the drug business at Dover. The second son, Arthur M., who was

automobile accessory business at Dover, and a student volunteer during the World war, is now with a manufacturing industry at Granite City, Illinois. Walter J., the third son, is in the tire and Eugene A., aged fourteen, is still in school.

ARTHUR A. HOOPINGARNER, newspaper editor and publisher, is a comparatively young man, has made his own way and contributed to the support of others since boyhood, and has some real substantial work and achievements to his credit. His home and business are at Dover, in the same county where he was born and reared.

Mr. Hoopingarner was born at Strasburg, Tuscarawas County, March 27, 1893. The Hoopingarner family was identified with the pioneer developments of this Ohio county. His great-grandfather, Jacob Hoopingarner, a native of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, was the first settler of the name in Tuscarawas County. He married a Miss Balsey. The name Hoopingarner is of Holland Dutch origin. Samuel Hoopingarner, a son of Jacob Hoopingarner, was born in Tuscarawas County, and married Susan Fitzgerald, a native of the same county and daughter of Thomas Fitzgerald, who came from Ireland. William U. Hoopingarner, father of the Dover editor and publisher, was born and reared in Tuscarawas County, and died at the age of thirty-five. He married Sadie Smiley, who survives him. She was born in Tuscarawas County and now lives at Columbus, Ohio. Her parents were La Fayette and Mary (Jones) Smiley. Her two children are Arthur A. and Marguerite.

Arthur A. Hoopingarner as a boy was under the necessity of going to work for his own support and to assist his mother and sister. He spent his boyhood at Dover, where he attended school to the age of fourteen. Soon afterward he began learning the printer's trade in the newspaper office at Dover, and from printer became reporter on the Dover Daily Reporter. He early attracted attention as a very skillful reporter and journalist, and served four years on the editorial staff of the Cleveland Press and for a time was managing editor of the Columbus Monitor, and was then at Omaha, Nebraska, as managing editor of the Omaha Daily News until 1920. In that year, returning to Dover, Ohio, he organized the Tuscarawas Publishing Company, which became the owner and publisher of the Dover Daily Reporter and also owns and publishes the weekly newspaper the New Philadelphia Advocate Tribune. Mr. Hoopingarner is president and manager of the company and editor of the Daily Reporter.

He is a member of the Moravian Church, is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Rotary and Union Country clubs. He married in 1915 Miss Viola G. Martin, of New Philadelphia.

FRESHOUR GROCERY COMPANY. One of the important and well ordered concerns contributing to commercial prestige of the City of Portsmouth, Scioto County, is the wholesale grocery house of the Freshour Brothers—Carey E. and Philip R. The parents, John A. and Sarah (Doggett) Freshour, passed their entire lives in Ohio, and both were earnest members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The father was long and prominently identified with lumbering operations, and was a sterling citizen who took lively interest in public affairs and held unqualified popular esteem.

Carey E. Freshour was born at Chillicothe, Ohio, August 10, 1883, and was a child at the time of the family removal to Lucasville, Scioto County, where he attended the public schools until he was sixteen years of age. For the ensuing five years he held a clerical position in the establishment of the Selby Shoe Company at Portsmouth. About the year 1906 he and his brother Philip R. engaged in the retail grocery business at Portsmouth, and after conducting the enterprise successfully about ten years they sold the business and engaged in the wholesale grocery trade. In 1916 they purchased their present commodious and well equipped building, at 2134 Gallia Street, and by progressive policies, effective service and correct methods they have developed a substantial and prosperous business, extending through the trade territory normally tributary to Portsmouth as a distributing center. Mr. Freshour is an active and valued member of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the United Commercial Travelers. He attends the United Brethren Church in his home city, and he enjoys marked popularity in the business and social circles of Portsmouth. His name is still enrolled on the roster of eligible bachelors in Scioto County. Philip R. Freshour, junior member of the firm of Freshour Brothers, was born at Chillicothe, February 22, 1887, and, like his brother, he received the advantages of the public schools of Scioto County. At the age of fifteen years he found employment in the retail grocery store of R. O. Brady at Portsmouth, and after holding this clerical position two years he entered the employ of the Excelsior Shoe Company. He was nineteen years of age when he established himself independently in the retail grocery business, in which his older brother soon joined him, and from which enterprise they finally advanced into the wholesale grocery business.

Mr. Freshour is identified loyally with the local Chamber of Commerce, has completed the circle of each the York and Scottish Rites of the Masonic fraternity, in the latter of which he has received the thirty-second degree, and he is affiliated with the United Commercial Travelers. He and his wife hold membership in the Manley Methodist Episcopal Church at Portsmouth.

In July, 1919, was solemnized the marriage of Philip R. Freshour and Miss Janet M. Blake, daughter of A. C. Blake, who is engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Portsmouth. Mr. and Mrs. Freshour have a fine little son, David.

WILLIAM P. STEPHENSON, judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Adams County, has a record as attorney and jurist which has made him well known in many counties and districts of Ohio. He has held courts as special judge in many counties besides his own, and is probably acquainted with every judge in the western and northern parts of Ohio as well as in his own section of the state.

Judge Stephenson was born at Bentonville, in Adams County, July 31, 1869, son of Robert A. and Arcadia (Hopkins) Stephenson, now deceased. His father was a capable old time physician of Southern Ohio, and moved his family to Manchester, Ohio, when his son William P. was about four years old.

Judge Stephenson accordingly received his public school education in Manchester, and after high school attended the North Liberty Academy. He graduated in 1895 from the Cincinnati Law School, and was engaged in a growing practice in Manchester from 1895 to 1900. He moved to West Union, Ohio, in 1900, where he has ever since resided.

Judge Stephenson served as prosecuting attorney of Adams County one year by appointment and three years by election. He was elected to the office of Common Pleas judge in 1914, and was reelected for his second term of six years in 1920. Judge Stephenson has held special terms of court in Cleveland many times, and has also served in the courts of Greene,

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Clark and Warren counties, having been judge in many cases involving the Miami conservancy work. Judge Stephenson was for ten years a director of the First National Bank of West Union, and is president of the Defender Publishing Company of that city.

He is a staunch democrat in his political affiliations, is a Presbyterian, and his fraternities are the Masonic Order, being a member of the Knights Templar Commandery at Portsmouth, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Pythias, Red Men, Modern Woodmen of America and the Patriots of America.

He married Miss Estella Shriver, of Manchester, daughter of Daniel R. and Mary (Charles) Shriver. They have one son, Sherwood C., now a practicing dentist at Cincinnati.

HENRY BOWERS. During a period of more than thirty-six years Henry Bowers has been one of the leading members of the Tuscarawas County bar, and at present is the senior member of the well known and formidable legal combination of Bowers & Bowers, with offices at New Philadelphia. Mr. Bowers has applied his entire career to the demands of his profession, having let no outside interests interfere with his advancement therein, and today is accounted one of the thoroughly informed, reliable and able members of the bar, esteemed alike by his clientele and his fellow practitioners.

Mr. Bowers was born on a farm in Tuscarawas County, March 12, 1858, a son of Samuel and Martha (Dillon) Bowers. The name Bowers is of German origin, and was originally spelled Bauer. The great-grandfather of Henry Bowers was Jacob Bowers, who accompanied his son, Joseph Bowers, the grandfather of Henry, from Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, to Wayne County, Ohio, at an early date in the history of that county. The mother of Henry Bowers was born in Trumbull County, Ohio, a daughter of Aaron Dillon, a native of Scotland, who had come to America with his father and lived for a time in New Jersey, whence he came, a married man, to Ohio and settled in Trumbull County, thence moving to Tuscarawas County. Aaron Dillon was an officer in the American Revolutionary war, and was a millwright by trade, but lived on a farm in Tuscarawas County, where his death occurred, burial being made at Dundee. He was a member of the Christian Church. He was a staunch whig in politics, and his sons became republicans. They moved to Kansas, where they became prominent citizens. One son, A. I. Dillon, was an officer in the Union Army during the Civil war, and met a soldier's death on the bloody battlefield of Cedar Creek.

Samuel Bowers, the father of Henry Bowers, was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and was six years of age when taken by his parents to Wayne County, Ohio, later moving to Tuscarawas County, where he met and married Martha Dillon, and they settled down to housekeeping on a farm. They became the parents of five sons and two daughters. In 1878, with all their children save Henry, they moved to Kansas, settling in Doniphan County, where a year later the mother died, the father surviving her another year. They were members of the Christian Church, in the faith of which the mother had been reared, although the father had been reared a Mennonite, his father having been a preacher of that denomination.

Henry Bowers was reared on a farm in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, and received his education in the public schools and at the Ohio Northern University at Ada. He followed the family to Kansas, where he taught school for one year, but returned to Ohio and resumed his teaching activities, being an educator all told for a period of six years. Mr. Bowers then began the study of law in the office of J. T. O'Donald, an eminent lawyer at New Philadelphia, and was admitted to the bar in 1888, since which time he has been engaged in practice at New Philadelphia. He has built up a large and representative clientele, his practice carrying him into all the courts, and of late years has had as his associate one of his sons, Russell C., under the firm style of Bowers & Bowers, with offices in the Alexander Building. In politics Mr. Bowers is a staunch republican, and takes a good citizen's interest in matters of political importance and moment. In religious faith he is a Lutheran, and his fraternal affiliation is with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he is greatly popular.

In 1878 Mr. Bowers and Miss Elizabeth Bair were united in marriage. Mrs. Bowers was born in Tuscarawas County, a daughter of Jacob and Mary (Sliffe) Bair, the Bair's being of French origin and the Sliffe's of German. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Bowers: Roy S., a minister of the Lutheran faith; Charles R., likewise a Lutheran minister; Jessie, the wife of Rev. Russell B. McGiffin, of the same ministry; Leah, the wife of Carl F. Ludwig, of Orrville, Ohio; and Russell C., a former prosecuting attorney of Tuscarawas County, who is now the junior member with his father in the firm of Bowers & Bowers.

AUGUST SCHMIDT, JR. Sandusky is a beautiful city to the eye, and its many substantial business enterprises contribute to the wealth and prestige of the state, and the majority of its citizens are not ungrateful but often recall with pride and gratitude those now passed away, through whose sterling character and sound views of citizen responsibility this city has been built up. One of these not forgotten men was the late August Schmidt, Jr., president of the Third National Bank of Sandusky. A man of great business enterprise, he had the sound judgment that enabled him to direct his investments wisely and to carry on his undertakings successfully, and in generous measure for the city's substantial benefit.

August Schmidt, Jr., was born at Baltimore, Ohio, December 27, 1856, and died at Sandusky, April 9, 1913. His parents were August and Christina Schmidt, both of whom were born in Baden, Germany, and when they immigrated to the United States, settled first at Detroit, Michigan. When August, Jr., was nine years old they returned to Ohio and bought land on Middle Bass Island, where his father had a fine vineyard. August, Jr., received his early schooling around home and later was sent to Detroit, where he graduated from high school. He also attended college in same city which fitted him for a business career, but did not graduate.

In 1880 Mr. Schmidt was married, and in 1882 he and his wife moved to Sandusky, where he passed the rest of his life and where his family still reside, prominent and representative people. At Sandusky Mr. Schmidt engaged in the coal business on Water Street for three years, then sold it advantageously and bought an old-time wine cellar, a good business venture, as his father and other members of the family were grape growers. He put capital into undeveloped parts of the city and improved them, erecting a large business block by which the city's trade was furthered, and as his stability and trustworthiness as a business man became more and more recognized, many responsible business connections were offered him and finally he became vice president and later president of the Third National Bank of Sandusky, to the welfare of which institution he devoted the closing years of his life. He was a republican

in political faith, but was never willing to accept a public office, and in Masonry he was a Knight Templar.

Mr. Schmidt married, November 3, 1880, Miss Ida R. Rehberg, who was born on Middle Bass Island, Ohio, daughter of William and Louise (Stein) Rehberg, natives of Germany. William Rehberg owned a large part of Middle Bass Island and was in the grape growing business. Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt had two daughters: Edna is the wife of Nelson Arend, who is connected with Niagara Lithographing Company of New York, and their children are: Janet, Ida and Ursula; and Elsie is the wife of William Sprow, who is manager of the Wagner Quarries Company at Sandusky. They have four children: August W., Nancy Anne, Barbara Jane and William James, II.

Suzanne O. Campbell, doctor of chiropractic at Greenville, is a native of Scotland, and spent most of her early life in Canada. Her experience has been that of a capable business woman, and she has made a splendid record in her profession.

She was born in Invernesshire, Scotland, near the home of Sir Walter Scott, and is a direct descendant of the famous Campbell clan of Argyle. Her parents, Donald and Helen (Cameron) Campbell, are both of pure Scotch ancestry. They came to America when Doctor Campbell was four years old, and settled at Wolseley, in Saskatchewan, Canada. Some years ago the family retired to Regina, Saskatchewan.

Suzanne O. Campbell was educated in the high school at Wolseley, Canada, in the Success Business College of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, and during 1916-17 taught in that institution. For six months she was employed by the Hudson Bay Stores Company at Vancouver, British Columbia, for several months was in Seattle, Washington, and for three years was in Montana as private secretary to one of the prominent attorneys of that state, and later in the same capacity with the vice president of the Citizens State Bank. In 1920 she entered the Palmer School of Chiropractic and graduated in 1922 with two degrees, Doctor of Chiropractic and Pharmaceutical Chemist.

After graduating Doctor Campbell traveled in West Virginia and Kentucky, and finally located in Greenville, Ohio, where her skill and personal character have brought her an extensive practice. She has well equipped offices at 422½ Broadway.

Doctor Campbell has been in the United States for seven years, but is still a Canadian citizen. She is affiliated with the Daughters of the Rebekahs, and is a Presbyterian.

Jason H. Brookes. In the great industrial district of East Liverpool, Columbiana County, the name Brookes has been one of honorable significance for many years. The family supplied some of the pioneer expert workers in the pottery industry there. Jason H. Brookes has practiced law in East Liverpool nearly forty years, and is a man of the highest standing professionally and in business and civic affairs.

He was born at East Liverpool, May 18, 1863. His grandfather, George Brookes, was a native of Burslem, England, was a potter by trade, and on coming to this country first settled at Pittsburgh, but soon afterward was connected with one of the pottery establishments at East Liverpool. He spent his last years in Pittsburgh. His wife, Mary Hopkins, was also born at Burslem, England, and died at Pittsburgh. Their son, Jason Brookes, was born at Burslem, England, in 1820, and was a young man when the family came to America. For nearly half a century he was identified with the pottery industry at East Liverpool, and he lived in that community until his death in 1893. He always voted as a republican, and was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Jason Brookes married Lucy Catherine Wilson, who was born at Springfield, Kentucky, in 1824, and died at East Liverpool in 1898. They had a family of six children: Harriet Mary, who died at East Liverpool in 1918; George A., a real estate men at Pittsburgh; Anna C., who died at East Liverpool in 1921; Kate I., who resides at Trenton, New Jersey, widow of Moses Callear, who was identified with the potter industries of Trenton, where he died in 1914; Jason H.; and Harry W., who is manager of the East Liverpool office of the Postal Telegraph Company.

Jason H. Brookes has earned his way to prominence over a number of obstacles. He belonged to a working family, and after he had attended the public schools to the age of fourteen he went to work himself in one of the potteries at East Liverpool. He spent four years in what might be called the family trade. Learning telegraphy, he was appointed telegraph operator with the Cleveland & Pittsburgh Railroad, and served in that capacity on the Pittsburgh Division for five years. His law studies were pursued under Col. H. R. Hill at East Liverpool, and in February, 1886, he was admitted to the bar, having accomplished this creditable achievement at the age of twenty-three. In all the years since his admission he has devoted his knowledge, experience and diligence to the service of a large general civil and criminal practice. Since 1900 he has been senior member of the law firm Brookes & Thompson, his partner being Richard G. Thompson. Within the lines of his profession he has also rendered some public service, having been prosecuting attorney of Columbiana County from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1904. He is vice president of the Columbiana County Bar Association.

Mr. Brookes is vice president of the Citizens National Bank of East Liverpool, is secretary and treasurer of the Allah Oil Company of East Liverpool, and is owner of the Brookes Building, a four-story office and store building at the corner of Fifth and Market streets, one of the leading business structures at East Liverpool. He has other real estate in that city, including his own home at 211 Pennsylvania Avenue. During the World war Mr. Brookes acted as chairman of the Liberty Loan drives for his home city, was chairman of the Legal Advisory Board and gave precedence to patriotic demands over all professional and private interests. Mr. Brookes is president of the Board of Education of East Liverpool. He has always been a staunch republican, is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, is a past master of Riddle Lodge No. 315, Free and Accepted Masons; a member of East Liverpool Chapter No. 100, Royal Arch Masons; Pilgrim Commandery No. 55, Knights Templar, and Syria Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Pittsburgh. He also belongs to the East Liverpool Kiwanis Club.

On October 1, 1889, at Wichita, Kansas, Mr. Brookes married Miss Mabel S. Martin, daughter of Robert and Adaline (Gilmore) Martin. Her father was secretary of Oklahoma Territory when he died. Her mother now resides at East Liverpool. Mrs. Brookes finished her education by graduation from college. They have a family of three children, Robert Martin, Dorothy Catherine and Jason H., Jr. The oldest son made a distinguished record as a soldier in the World war. The daughter, Dorothy Catherine, is the wife of George Albert Patterson, manager of the Wellsville China Company, with home at East Liverpool. The youngest son, Jason H., Jr., is now a student in Dartmouth College at Hanover, New Hampshire.

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Robert Martin Brookes graduated from Culver Military Academy at Culver, Indiana, and in April, 1917, entered the First Officers' Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in August, 1917, and on September 2, 1917, left for France, where he was assigned to the One Hundred and Sixty-seventh Infantry in the Forty-second or Rainbow Division. He was on duty in the trenches in the Luneville sector, and at the Battle of Champagne was under the command of General Gouraud, the gallant French leader who recently toured America, in the defensive movement in the campaign when Gouraud's Division endured the brunt of one of the final assaults of the Germans. Following that his command occupied a portion of the Chateau Thierry front in Marshal Foch's final advance. On July 26, 1918, as the division was forcing its way beyond Chateau Thierry, Robert Martin Brookes was seriously wounded and the rest of his stay in France was passed in various hospitals. He returned to this country January 1, 1919, and was given his honorable discharge at Camp Devons, Massachusetts. He is a graduate of Bethany College at Bethany, West Virginia, and is a practicing attorney, and is now assistant prosecuting attorney of Columbiana County.

John T. Montgomery is one of the veteran oil men of Ohio, and has had interests in what is known as the Lima District for over thirty-five years. Throughout that period he has been a resident of Findlay, and the community has come to look upon him as one of its most substantial citizens not only from a financial standpoint but in public spirit and willingness to cooperate with others for the common good.

Mr. Montgomery was born at Renfrew, Ontario, Canada, August 11, 1853, son of William and Jane (Thompson) Montgomery. His father was born in Ireland, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and grew up in Canada and married in that country, his wife being a native of New York State and going to Canada with her parents when she was a child. William Montgomery and wife spent their years as Canadian farmers. He died in 1894. They were members of the Methodist Church, and of their thirteen children ten are still living.

John T. Montgomery spent the first sixteen years of his life on the old homestead farm. He attended public schools, and learned the blacksmith's trade. For several years he operated a shop of his own in Canada. About 1877 he went to the Western Pennsylvania oil fields, and operated several shops there, largely for sharpening and repairing tools used in the oil industry. In the meantime he became interested as an investor, and in a few years was giving all his time to oil production. He was one of the early oil men attracted to the Ohio field around Lima, and in 1887 established his home at Findlay and for many years was both an owner of oil wells and a contractor for drilling. His interest extended over a number of counties in the Ohio oil territory, and for some years he was also a lumber manufacturer. Mr. Montgomery has for a number of years been vice president of the Buckeye Commercial Bank of Findlay.

In September, 1893, he married Miss Anna M. George, who died leaving one daughter, Hortensia, a graduate of Oberlin College. In 1897 Mr. Montgomery married Miss Lida M. Shultz, of Findlay. The two children of this marriage are John William and Irene. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Mr. Montgomery is a member of the Official Board. He is affiliated with the York Rite bodies of Masonry at Findlay, with the Scottish Rite Consistory at Toledo and the Shrine, is a democrat and a member of the Rotary Club.

Edmund A. Wolf, M. D. An exceptionally gifted and able physician and surgeon, Doctor Wolf for many years has maintained his offices in the City of Dennison, and the work of his profession has been accompanied by an increasing share in business and civic responsibilities.

He was born at Tuscarawas, Tuscarawas County, April 5, 1870, and his parents, John and Elizabeth (Schneider) Wolf, were natives of Germany. The grandparents of Doctor Wolf on both sides were founders of the families in Tuscarawas County. The father of Doctor Wolf was brought to this country at the age of eighteen, and his mother at the age of sixteen. The Schneider and Wolf families established their homes in the vicinity of Port Washington in Tuscarawas County. John Wolf was a prosperous farmer, and died in 1894, at the age of sixty-two. His wife passed away in 1893, aged fifty-three. They had a family of four children, John A., Charles R., Edmund A. and Louisa. The daughter is now deceased.

Growing up on a farm, Edmund A. Wolf attended rural schools, graduated from the high school at Tuscarawas, and as a youth shaped his plans for a professional career. Entering the Georgia College of Eclectic Medicine and Surgery at Atlanta, he was graduated in February, 1892, and in the same year began his professional career at Dennison. He has had an active and constantly increasing practice, being very favorably known for his splendid work as a surgeon. He has kept in touch with the advancing progress in medicine as well as in surgery by post-graduate courses in Chicago, at the Mayo Brothers' Institution at Rochester, Minnesota, and elsewhere. Doctor Wolf is local surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railway Company and a member of the Association of Pennsylvania Railway Surgeons. He is also a surgeon at the Twin City Hospital, and is a member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and the Ohio and National Eclectic Medical institutes.

Doctor Wolf has to his credit three terms of efficient service as mayor of Dennison, from the years 1907 to 1913. He has also been a member of the Board of Education. He was president of the Twin City National Bank before it was merged into the Dennison National Bank. He is now president of the Wolf-Lanning Clay Company, a director of the Dennison Sewer Pipe Company and the Uhrichsville Ice Company. He is a member of the Rotary Club, was for three terms master of the Masonic Lodge, has served as eminent commander of the Knights Templar Commandery, and is a Lutheran. Doctor Wolf married, in 1921, Miss Mary Jean Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Robinson, of Uhrichsville. Doctor Wolf's home is in Uhrichsville, though his professional and business interests are centered at Dennison.

William B. Spagnola. The ambitious spirit of the best class of the foreign-born element of our citizenship leads many to strive on until greater heights are sometimes reached than are attained by those who have had less obstacles to overcome in their progress. William B. Spagnola, one of the successful practicing attorneys of Youngstown, is an example of the above, and, judging by what has already been gained, he has a brilliant future before him.

William B. Spagnola was born in Italy, in May, 1897, a son of Frank and Teresa (Billett) Spagnola, also natives of Italy. In 1891 the parents came to

the United States, and, locating in Youngstown, opened a general merchandising business in the West End, and this they continued to conduct until 1915. It was while on a visit to her old home in Italy that William B. Spagnola's mother gave birth to him, returning later to America when the subject of this sketch was only eight months old.

From earliest youth determined to succeed in life, William Spagnola studied hard, and went through the graded and high schools of Youngstown, and then secured employment as bookkeeper with the Elks Club of Youngstown. While holding this position for three years he studied law under the preceptorship of Dominick F. Rendinell. For three more years he was connected with this same club as manager. During this time he kept on with his law studies, later, however, being under the fostering care of Frank R. Gusweiler at Cincinnati, Ohio. In June, 1922, Mr. Spagnola was admitted to the bar, and opened offices with D. F. Rendinell, 1006 Wick Building, and since May, 1924, he has occupied offices at 205 Terminal Building. His political beliefs make him a democrat. Alert, capable and hard-working, Mr. Spagnola has honorably earned his present professional standing.

JARED J. RARDIN is one of the progressive business men and representative citizens of Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio, and is treasurer of the Selby Shoe Company, a substantial manufacturing concern of that city.

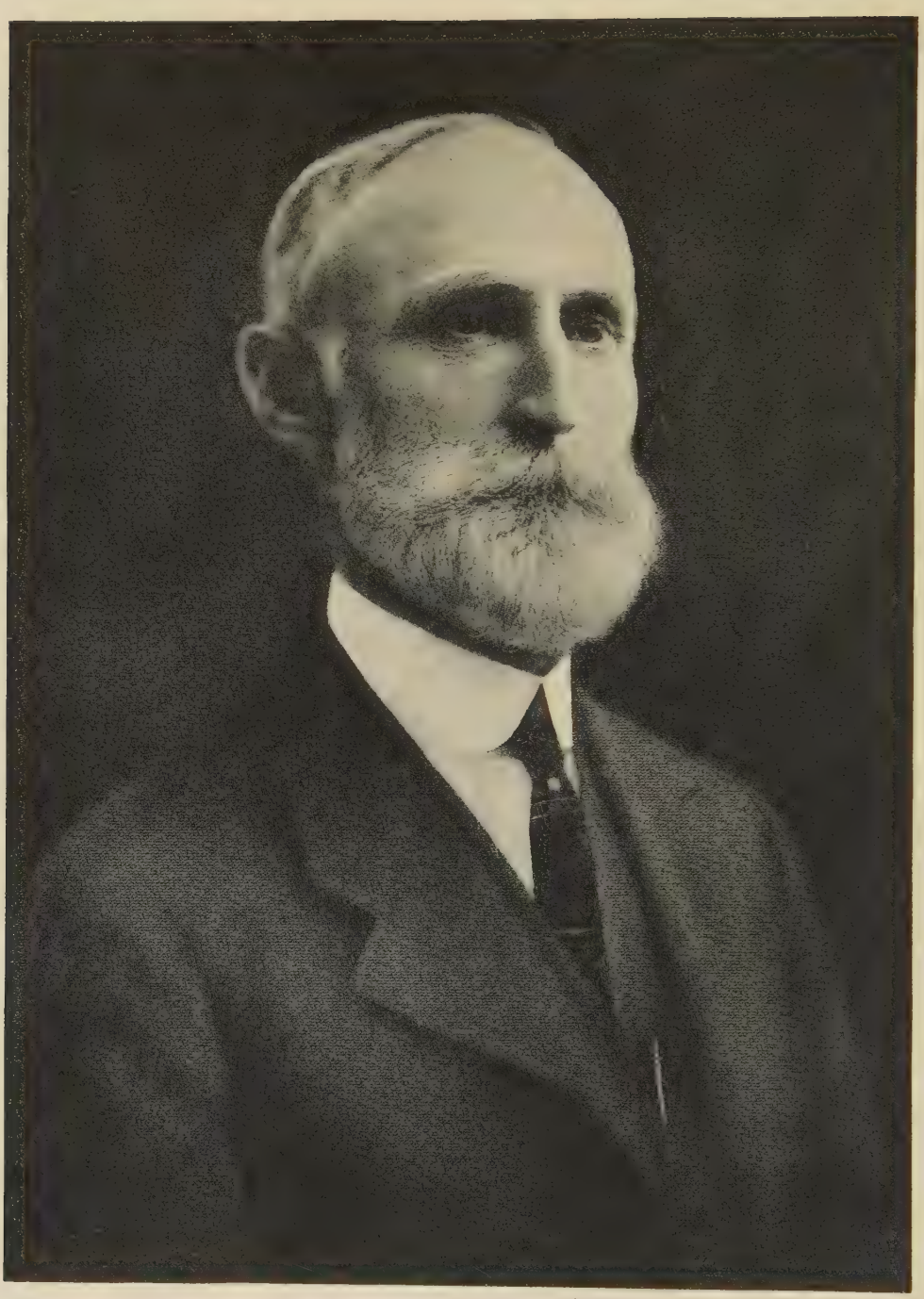
Mr. Rardin was born in Athens County, Ohio, November 30, 1848, son of Levi and Fannie L. (Selby) Rardin, the former of whom died in 1867, and the latter of whom passed away October 30, 1914.

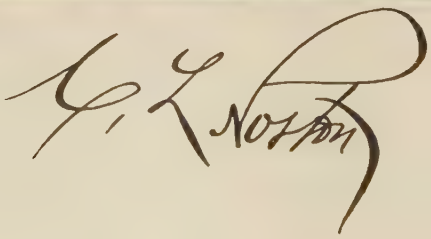
Authentic records show that about 1750 two brothers, Dennis and John Rardin, came from Ireland to America and first made settlement on the Susquehanna River in Pennsylvania, whence they later moved to the western frontier of that commonwealth, where they participated in many of the stirring events of the French and Indian uprisings, history recording that the Rardins were famous guides and scouts and that one of them accompanied Gen. George Washington when he made a trip over the mountains into the Ohio River country. There is a tradition to the effect that one of these Rardin brothers rescued from captivity by the Indians a white girl who later became his wife. All of Western Pennsylvania at this period had been penetrated only by Indian traders and exploring parties. Between 1740 and 1770 Ireland alone sent about 10,000 immigrants to America, the major number being Protestants from the northern districts of the Emerald Isle. Dennis Rardin must have married just before or shortly after he came to America, for in this country was born his second son, Henry, on the 17th of November, 1756. The family name of his wife is not revealed in the records, but it is shown that he survived her. The earliest records show that Dennis Rardin paid taxes to the amount of two pounds in 1773, in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, and that in 1783 he had moved westward, into Huntington Township, Westmoreland County, where he paid eight pounds and four shillings in tax and where he died in 1789, possessed of a goodly portion of land and chattels to be divided among his three children, John, Henry and Jane (Woodruff). Henry, according to the records, was granted letters of administration January 20, 1789, and made final accounting February 3, 1790. He married Elizabeth Hull, who was born in 1762, daughter of John Hull, who was a soldier, with rank of sergeant, in the War of the Revolution and who for this service received a warrant for 400 acres of land in the Northwest Territory. This warrant was assigned to Thomas Rardin, a cousin of Henry, and Thomas located, under the warrant, lands at Rardin, Scioto County, Ohio. Henry Rardin served from 1778 to 1783 as a member of the Frontier Rangers, in company with Captains Thomas Moore, John Nelson, William Butler and Steven Bayard. At the close of the Revolution he moved into Allegheny County, Elizabeth Township, where he paid taxes of eight pounds. In 1807 Henry Rardin, accompanied by his wife, Elizabeth, and by their six sons and two daughters (Moses, Rebecca, John, Sarah, William, James, Henry and Samuel, the last named being then three years old), took a boat from Georgetown, Butler County, Pennsylvania, and emigrated, with many others, into what was then the great Northwest Territory. They landed at Marrietta, Ohio, moved into the western part of Washington County and located land on Laurel Run, in Wesley Township. There Henry Rardin passed the remainder of his life, dying October 17, 1855, at the home of his youngest son, Samuel, and at the patriarchal age of ninety-nine years, his wife having passed away in 1836, aged seventy-four years. Henry Rardin was a skilled millwright and constructed several grist mills that were operated by water power. He was likewise a successful farmer, acquired considerable wealth, and gave to each of his sons, at marriage, a farm near his home place.

William, the fifth child of Henry and Elizabeth Rardin, was born April 29, 1797, passed his boyhood days on Laurel Run, and April 2, 1818, married Elizabeth Anders, who was born in Pennsylvania, July 16, 1799, a daughter of Michael and Mahitable (Gard) Anders, the Anders family being of Holland Dutch origin. William and Elizabeth Rardin initiated their married life in a little log cabin on a branch of Laurel Run, about two miles north of Bartlett, and near the place where his father first located. Here was born their first child, Mahitable, and soon afterward they removed to the Hecker farm, near Otterbein Church. Within a short period they thence removed to a farm on the old state road, a place known as the Dyson, Younkins or Linscott farm. Two years later Mr. Rardin purchased the farm on which he gave the site for the erection of Mt. Hermon United Brethren Church. He first lived in a log cabin just west of the church, and later, to gain better water facilities, he erected the house which is still standing, down the ravine to the north of his former house. In this second dwelling Levi Rardin, father of the subject of this sketch, was born January 19, 1823. William Rardin died December 11, 1876, and his wife, Elizabeth, died October 17, 1890. Their remains lie in the Mt. Hermon Cemetery, where their grandchildren erected a monument to mark their resting place.

When William and Elizabeth Rardin started to develop a farm in the forest wilds, the rifle was always close at hand and usually hung on hooks over the door in the little home, for the forests were filled with wild animals. Bear and deer, as well as smaller animals of many kinds. Horses, cows and pigs on the pioneer farm had to be watched and protected, and to the family larder was added the meat of many a bear who had attempted to make inroads on the domestic live stock. Wild game supplied much of the meat for the household, and the sugar maple provided the family sweets. The sturdy and arduous life in the reclaiming of a farm from the forest required men of courage, industry and patience, and tended to beget the finest type of personal integrity.

Levi Rardin, reared under the conditions of the pioneer days, chose as his wife Miss Fanny Selby, who was born at Bartlett, Washington County, November 9, 1826, a daughter of Dyar and Tabitha (Calhoun) Selby. The Selby lineage is traced back through twenty-one generations. Bryan Selby was





were in 1297. Sir Walter Selby was granted land in 1327 by Edward III, and this land in England has since continued in the possession of the family. Sir Walter Selby was governor of Lindell Castle when it was besieged, on the Scottish border, by King David of Scotland in 1342, and after the castle was surrendered Sir Walter was beheaded at the order of the English king. William Selby, of the fourteenth generation, was baptized January 13, 1632; his son, Sir William, was baptized June 17, 1672, and the latter's son Jeremiah was born August 11, 1695. The former died at Berwick, England, August 17, 1705. In 1712 Jeremiah Selby and his widowed mother came to Boston, Massachusetts, and thence proceeded to East Haddam, Connecticut, where he lived with his uncle, Mathew Hall. Here he married, June 12, 1716, Susanna Dutton, daughter of a prominent colonial family, and became a doctor of medicine. His only son, William, born June 5, 1717, married, December 26, 1744, Hannah Brainerd, daughter of one of the founders of East Haddam, by whom he had Jeremiah II, born December 9, 1745. He rendered service during the Revolution, as shown in the town proceedings, as one of a committee to furnish clothing and supplies to the soldiers at the front. Jeremiah (eighteenth generation) married Sarah Cone March 26, 1769, daughter of Jared Cone, another founder of Haddam, Colony. About the close of the century he migrated to Wayne County, New York, with eight children, among whom was Dyar, born at East Haddam, July 4, 1784. Here Dyar Selby wedded, February 17, 1811, Tabitha Calhoun, who was born at Petersham, Worcester County, Massachusetts, March 15, 1791, a daughter of James Calhoun, who was a patriot soldier in the Revolution, and Sarah Hinds, daughter of Dr. Timothy Hinds, also a Revolutionary soldier. In 1807 James Calhoun became a pioneer settler in Wayne County, New York, the overland journey having been made with teams and wagons and his daughter Tabitha having driven one of the teams the entire distance.

In 1819, eight years after his marriage, Dyar Selby, accompanied by his wife and their four children, landed at Marietta, Ohio, and located at Rainbow Bend, a short ways up the Muskingum River. In 1827 he moved westward to Wesley Township, Washington County, and in 1832 he established his home in Berne Township, that county, where he remained until his death, in 1873. Dyar and Tabitha Selby had ten children: Jeremiah, Dyar, Hines Cone, Sarah, Susan, Warren, Jared, Fanny (mother of the subject of this sketch), Elizabeth and Francis Marion.

Levi and Fanny (Selby) Rardin purchased a farm adjoining that of the former's father, and they became the parents of six children: Jared J., Willard W., Charles C. (died September 16, 1867), Eunice E., (died March, 1883), Emily (died September, 1867), and Joseph Spangler, who located in Portsmouth and is one of the leading surgeons in Southeastern Ohio.

Jared J. Rardin attended district school in Athens County and had two terms as a student in Bartlett Academy, Washington County. Thereafter he continue to be associated with the work of the home farm until he attained to the age of twenty-one years. With headquarters at Portsmouth, he thereafter was employed ten years as salesman and collector for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, while during the ensuing fifteen years he was district agent for this company, his jurisdiction covering seven counties in Ohio and nine in Kentucky.

In 1895 Mr. Rardin became one of the organizers of the Star Shoe Company at Portsmouth, and of this he continued treasurer until 1902, when he traded his interest for stock in the Drew-Selby Shoe Company, of which he became treasurer. In 1906 the business was incorporated under the present title, the Selby Shoe Company, and Mr. Rardin has continued as treasurer of this corporation. He is a member of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce, the local Kiwanis Club, and the Country Club, while he and his wife are active members of the Bigelow Methodist Episcopal Church at Portsmouth.

July 5, 1876, recorded the marriage of Mr. Rardin and Miss Mary A. Webster, who was born in Meigs County, Ohio, a daughter of Isaac and Verlinda Webster. Mr. and Mrs. Rardin have had four children: Irma was a student in the Ohio Wesleyan University, where she formed the acquaintance of a fellow student, Rev. George L. Davis, whose wife she subsequently became. They are now residents of Pekin, China, where Mr. Davis is a missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Their one child is a son, Euan; Nellie, born September 24, 1879, died November 24, 1879; Glenn E., who is engaged in the real estate business at Portsmouth, married Miss Crete Brant, of Lucasville, and they have two sons, Jared and Robert. Earl W., of Columbus, Ohio, married Miss Carrie Goddard, of Wellston, Ohio, and is in the real estate business in Columbus, Ohio. They have one daughter, Marcella.

CLINTON L. POSTON. One of the men who through business enterprise and personal character did much to shape the industrial affairs of the Hocking Valley was the late Clinton L. Poston, who at the age of seventy-five died in his home at Athens, Ohio, August 23, 1923.

He was born at Nelsonville in Athens County, November 19, 1847, son of Lorenzo D. and Lucinda (Parkinson) Poston. He was educated in the public schools and in Ohio University, and as a youth showed unusual capacity for business, at the age of twenty taking charge of his father's business when his father and older brother were ill. During his lifetime his business energy and enterprise covered a wide field, involving the acquisition of immense holdings of coal lands throughout the Hocking Valley and the ownership and operation of many mines. He bought and sold coal lands, and had a pioneer part in the development of the basic industry of the Hocking Valley. Upon its organization in 1905, he became a member of the Board of Directors of the Sunday Creek Company, then the second largest coal company in the world. He was largely interested in the Morris-Poston Coal Company, operating in the eastern part of the state, the Poston Consolidated Coal Company, the Millfield Coal & Mining Company and the Sugar Creek Coal & Mining Company in the Hocking field, and the managing director of all these corporations. He was also vice president and director of the First National Bank of Athens. Through his coal mining interests he became a large employer of labor, and in his dealings with the miners, as with all others, his integrity was of such sterling worth that all knew he would scrupulously fulfill his contract. Never in rugged health, his indomitable will, tireless industry and unflagging energy enabled him to perform a seemingly impossible amount of work. He literally invested himself in business. His pleasure, his recreation, his work, his task, was in his business.

Outside of his own affairs he had no inclination toward public honors, but was a man of generous impulses, and kept many old and faithful employes in nominal positions that they might remain on the payroll. He was a regular contributor to many worthy causes about which the public knew nothing, and, reared by devout Methodist parents, he early affiliated with that church and was one of the largest contributors to the beautiful church building at Athens.

The late Mr. Poston possessed a keen and active mind. He read current literature discriminatingly, was fond of good books and was an accurate discerner of the times, as his business achievements proved.

On October 28, 1869, he married Miss Delia Kessinger, daughter of Joseph L. and Mary E. (Jewett) Kessinger. Their married companionship continued for nearly fifty-four years. Mr. Poston was not only a business man but husband, father and home-lover. His faithful, devoted wife created the atmosphere of the home, the place he loved most, and which was the source of his chief joy and inspiration.

They were the parents of two children, a daughter, Grace M., who is the wife of Dr. T. R. Biddle, of Athens, and a son, L. D. Poston. L. D. Poston and Doctor Biddle were associated in business with the late Mr. Poston for many years, and since his death the business has continued under their management along lines laid down by the old established policies.

THOMAS R. BIDDLE, PH. B., M. D. For about a decade Doctor Biddle was one of the successful physicians and surgeons of Athens County. He retired from the profession to engage in the coal business, and is associated as manager and executive officer of some of the largest coal producing companies in Southeastern Ohio.

Doctor Biddle was born near St. Marys, West Virginia, November 27, 1863, son of John F. and Mary C. (Kester) Biddle. After his return in 1865 from a period of service in the Union Army the father sold his farm in West Virginia and brought the family to Ohio, settling in Athens County, Alexander Township, near Fisher. Dr. Thomas R. was the oldest of a family of thirteen children, five girls and eight boys, of the latter seven being physicians, and all have proved their worth to society.

Thomas R. Biddle was an infant when brought to Athens County, and as he grew to manhood on his father's farm he attended the Golden School in his home district. In 1883 he entered Ohio University at Athens, and taught school a number of terms to secure the funds with which to pay his expense. For a number of years he alternated between teaching and attending Ohio University and the Cincinnati Medical College of Ohio. He received his Bachelor's degree in 1891 and his degree of Doctor in Medicine in 1892.

After his graduation he formed a partnership with Dr. W. N. Alderman for the practice of medicine, which continued for nine years. In 1899 Doctor Biddle took special work in the New York Post Graduate School of Medicine, specializing in diseases of children.

Since 1901 Doctor Biddle has been practically retired from his profession, becoming associated with Mr. C. L. Poston in coal production. He is a director in and manager of the Sugar Creek Coal & Mining Company, the Millfield Coal & Mining Company, the Morris-Poston Coal Company and the Poston Consolidated Coal Company. He is president of the Southern Ohio Coal Exchange and a director of the Athens National Bank.

Doctor Biddle since 1900 has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University, and has always taken an active interest in the university affairs, serving on some of its most important committees. He is a member and trustee of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Athens, a member of both the York Rite and Scottish Rite Masonry and of the Shrine. During the war he was county chairman of the War Savings Stamp Campaign and president of the County War Chest.

On October 8, 1895, Doctor Biddle married Miss Grace M. Poston, of Athens. They have one son, Clinton Poston Biddle, who is assistant dean of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

HON. EDWARD M. FRIES. One of the leading and prominent figures in the life of Wood County, Judge E. M. Fries has had a singularly active and useful career, having been connected with many of the activities of Bowling Green, where he now has a large and important law practice and is president of the Wood County Savings Bank and of the local Kiwanis Club.

Judge Fries, who served from 1903 until 1909 as judge of the Common Pleas Court of Wood County, or of the First Division, Tenth Judicial District, was born in Bloom Township, Wood County, Ohio, September 29, 1866, and is a son of Solomon and Louise (Steckel) Fries. The Steckel family came from Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, to Ohio in 1840, while the Fries were settlers of the year 1845, Tiffin being their original home. At Tiffin Solomon Fries was engaged as a brick mason and contractor until 1860, in which year he moved to a farm in Bloom Township, Wood County. Shortly thereafter the Civil war came on and he was elected to serve as a captain of infantry, but after a few days at Camp Chase was found to be physically unfit, and therefore returned to his farm. He was an industrious man, and under able management accumulated 720 acres of valuable land, which still remains in the possession of members of the family. Following the Civil war he supported the republican party, and served two terms as county commissioner. He also showed his progressiveness by being one of the earliest members of the Wood County Fair Association. He died in 1904, aged eighty years, while Mrs. Fries passed away in 1908, when seventy-three years of age. Six of their seven children grew to maturity. Of these William, who was educated at the home schools and Fostoria Academy, followed the vocations of teaching and farming until his death at the age of thirty-eight years.

Edward M. Fries acquired his primary educational training in the district schools, following which he pursued a course at Fostoria Academy, and then enrolled as a student in the Ohio Northern University, from which he received the degrees of Civil Engineer and Bachelor of Science. For one year he was engaged in teaching school, then practiced as a civil engineer in railroad construction work in Ohio and at Seattle, Washington, in which latter community he assisted in surveying and laying out several additions to the city. Concluding to become a lawyer, he entered the Cincinnati Law School, from which he received his degree in 1893, but remained on the home farm and in Judge Parker's law office until 1895, when he began active practice at Bowling Green. For a time he was in partnership with Clyde R. Painter, and since retiring from the bench has been associated with Judge Charles S. Hatfield, practicing in all the courts.

For several years Judge Fries served in the capacity of referee in bankruptcy in Wood and Henry counties, and in 1903 was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court, a place in which he served with dignity and distinguished ability until 1909. He has other connections, being president of the Wood County Savings Bank and of the Kiwanis Club, while during the World war he was identified in various ways with war activities. As a republican he takes an active interest in local politics, and his fraternal affiliation is with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Judge Fries is fond of athletics, both as a spectator and participant. While he enjoys football and basketball, his favorite sport is tennis. The Judge has installed two tennis courts at his

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home, which are placed at the disposal of the youths and maidens of the town.

Mrs. Fries, who was formerly Anna M. Davis, daughter of William and Jane Davis, was born in Wood County, was educated in the local schools and at Ohio Northern University, and for a time was an educator. She and Judge Fries are the parents of four children: Gertrude L., who is attending Wisconsin University; Edward, a freshman at the Bowling Green State Normal College, where he is quarterback on the football team; Robert A., attending high school; and Zenobia, in the grade school.

Harley Jess Powell, M. D., A. M. The incumbent of the office of health commissioner of Wood County ever since the enactment of the Hughes law creating a health department in 1920, Harley Jess Powell, Doctor of Medicine, Master of Arts, of Bowling Green, is a man well known in his profession and a public official who has been capable and conscientious in the performance of his duties.

Doctor Powell was born on a farm in Hancock County, Ohio, August 2, 1870, and is a son of Irwin and Lucinda (Evans) Powell. His father, born in 1839, in Fairfield County, Ohio, enlisted in 1861 in the Ninety-ninth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he fought four years, participating in such memorable battles as Chickamauga and Lookout Mountain, and accompanying Sherman's troops in their history-making March to the Sea. Following the war he resumed farming and eventually moved to Hancock County, where he spent the remainder of his life, dying in 1918. Mrs. Powell, who was born in Hancock County, in 1847, died in 1919 at Bowling Green. They were members of the United Brethren Church and the parents of three sons and a daughter.

Harley Jess Powell acquired his early education in the country school in the vicinity of his father's farm, and after a course in Findlay College entered upon his career as a school teacher. For sixteen years he followed the vocation of educator in Wood and Hancock counties, and for nine years was principal of the North Baltimore schools. It was his boyhood ambition to become a physician, but the family finances were modest, and it was necessary that he follow teaching in order that his education might be completed. Accordingly, he gained his instruction somewhat precariously, but managed his Findlay College course, in addition to getting some work at the Tri-State Normal School at Angola, Indiana, and finally enrolled in the medical department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1908. Since then he has done some postgraduate work, specializing in public health, at the Ohio State University, and during July and August, 1924, took up the same subject at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. He began his practice at Rawson, Ohio, in 1908, but two years later changed his residence and scene of activities to Bowling Green, where he has since built up a large and prosperous practice. He keeps fully abreast of the advancements constantly being made in his profession, and holds membership in the Wood County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is also a member of the Ohio Health Conference. During the World war he volunteered for service, was trained at New Haven, Connecticut, where he received his commission as first lieutenant, and was placed in charge of the laboratories at Camp Taylor, where he remained until the close of the war. Horticulture being his hobby, he grows all manner of plants at his home and delights in their culture.

In 1898 Doctor Powell was united in marriage with Miss Leni Roberts, daughter of Henry Roberts, of Hancock County, Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Powell have an adopted daughter, Rose, a niece, who was taken into their home in babyhood and is now the wife of Donn Ladd, of Los Angeles, California. Doris L., one of their own daughters, died in 1922, aged nineteen years; and Maxine, the other, is a high school student. Doctor Powell belongs to the United Brethren Church, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and the Town-Gown Club. Although his father was a democrat, he adheres to the principles of the republican party.

Orville V. Todd, who devoted his early years to the cause of education and was a well known teacher in several counties in Northwest Ohio, has since been engaged in banking, and is now cashier of the Hamler State Bank of Hamler, Henry County.

He was born near Leipsic, Putnam County, Ohio, December 23, 1869, son of Joel and Eveline (Vaughn) Todd. His father was born at Findlay, Ohio, October 16, 1847, and his mother near Leipsic, in Putnam County, January 10, 1848. Both grew up in Putnam County, were educated in the public schools, and after their marriage settled on a farm four miles southeast of Leipsic, where they spent the rest of their married lives. After the father's death the mother lived among her children. They were members of the United Brethren Church and later united with the Methodist Protestant denomination. The father was a democrat. There were four children: Orville V.; Angie A., deceased; Arlowa L., wife of A. C. Bracy, of Putnam County; Granville H., who was a graduate of the Ohio Medical College and practiced medicine in Idaho until his death.

Orville V. Todd was reared in the environment of his father's farm, and lived there until 1899, when he married Alice K. Elwell, of Columbus Grove, Ohio. Mr. Todd acquired his education in the public schools, and attended high school and college at Findlay and Defiance College, and for fourteen years carried on his profession as a teacher in various public schools. He first engaged in banking in Putnam County, and in 1909 came to Hamler as cashier of the Hamler State Bank. The other officers are: D. A. Collins, president, and Herman Panning, vice president. They with A. M. Ritz, John Arps and William Imbrook are the directors.

Mr. Todd was justice of the peace at Hamler, and he held some local offices in Putnam County. He is a republican, an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge at Hamler, and in Masonry is a member of the Lodge, the Royal Arch Chapter and the Council degree at Ottawa, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Todd have one son, Leslie E., attending the high school at Hamler.

Charles Richholt. As a business man and good citizen no name is held in more esteem in the Village of Holgate in Henry County than that of Charles Richholt. Mr. Richholt has for many years been in business as a brick and tile manufacturer. He is senior member now of the firm Richholt Brothers, since the death of his brother William, and his active associate in the business is his nephew, Clarence Richholt.

Charles Richholt was born in the Village of Florida, in Henry County, September 2, 1871, son of Jacob and Amelia (King) Richholt. His father was born in Germany, and his mother was born on the ocean while her parents were coming to the United States. Both families located in Henry County, Ohio. Grandfather King was a physician, school teacher and canal boat builder, and Grand-

father Richholt was a shoemaker by trade and became a merchant in Henry County. Jacob Richholt died in the prime of life, at the age of twenty-six. He was the father of three children, Charles, William and Ettie, Charles being the youngest. The daughter, Ettie, died in girlhood. The mother of these children married for her second husband William Harris, an old Union soldier, a stone mason and widely known in Henry County, where he died. Mrs. Harris subsequently married John Otterbach, and is now living at Bowling Green, Ohio.

Charles Richholt was three years of age when brought to Holgate, and as he grew up there he attended the public schools, and at an early age went to work in the hoop, stave and heading factory. He also learned the trade of blacksmith, which he followed four years. In 1904 he was licensed as a stationary engineer, and was engineer at the flour mill plant three years. After this he and his brother William established a small tile factory at Holgate, and by supplying a large part of the skill as well as labor and looking carefully after the quality of their wares they built up a business that has grown until its output of brick and tile is now widely distributed over a number of counties. Mr. Richholt owns twenty-two acres of land adjoining the brick and tile plant. He is also a stockholder in the Holgate Commercial Bank and in the Farmers' Elevator.

His first wife was Margaret Dietzen, who died in 1900, not survived by living children. Later Mr. Richholt married Miss Gertrude Holmes, who was born at Danville, Illinois, February 7, 1876. To this marriage were born three children, and the two now living are Robert, a graduate of high school, and Donald, attending high school. Mr. and Mrs. Richholt are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is one of the church trustees. He is a republican in politics, is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, has served on the Holgate Village Council, and has shown a generous disposition toward all public movements.

His nephew and business partner, Clarence E. Richholt, was born in the Village of Holgate, September 1, 1891, son of William and Mary (Holmes) Richholt. William Richholt, who died in 1910, had been for many years active in business as a merchant and later as one of the partners of Richholt Brothers, tile and brick manufacturers. He was a Knight of Pythias, a republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. Clarence E. Richholt is the younger of two children, his sister, Esther, being a graduate of high school and now living at Monroeville, Indiana.

Clarence E. Richholt attended the Holgate public schools and also Ohio University at Athens. He was about nineteen years of age when his father died, and he has had an increasingly responsible part in the management of the industry ever since.

On October 22, 1912, he married Miss Tillie Voigt. She is a high school graduate, and, like her husband, attended Ohio University at Athens. They had two children, Mary Jane, born in 1914, and William, born in 1916, both attending the public schools. The family are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Clarence Richholt is affiliated with Holgate Lodge No. 553, Free and Accepted Masons; Holly Chapter No. 136, Royal Arch Masons, at Napoleon, Council No. 55, Royal and Select Masters; Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar, and the Scottish Rite Consistory at Toledo. Mrs. Richholt is a member of the Eastern Star. Clarence Richholt is a stockholder in the Commercial State Bank at Holgate, and has been a member of the Village Council.

THOMAS O. WHITACRE, M. D. During the sixteen years that he has been engaged in practice at Bowling Green, Dr. Thomas O. Whitacre has established himself thoroughly in the confidence of the people of this community, not only as a skilled and dependable physician, but as a progressive and constructive citizen who can be depended upon to lend his support to beneficial movements and enterprises.

Doctor Whitacre was born at Trombley, Wood County, on a farm, December 21, 1873, and is a son of Samuel and Apalinda (Mercer) Whitacre. It is thought that Samuel Whitacre, who died in 1877, when still a young man, was a native of Wood County, where during his career he was a farmer in a small way. Some time after his death his widow married John W. Knight, a farmer and oil producer, and in after years they moved to Menlo, Georgia. Mrs. Knight died at Cincinnati, while on a trip from Georgia to visit her son Thomas O. Doctor Whitacre's sister, Orla E., is the wife of Charles N. Wilson, on Menlo, Georgia. By the last marriage there were two sons: Deyo R., a hardware merchant of Vermont, and one who died in infancy.

A large part of the boyhood and youth of Dr. Thomas O. Whitacre was spent in the oil fields and on the farm, where he did all manner of work. In the meantime he was gaining an education as best he might as a student of the district schools. Later he went to Bethany, West Virginia, where he received the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Music. He was well known as an athlete while there, being a member of both the football and baseball teams, and has never lost his love of outdoor recreation and healthful pastimes. He was married the day following his graduation, and at once began working as a farmer and in transporting oil land supplies. In this way he gained sufficient means to gratify his boyhood ambition of entering the medical profession, for he was able to secure sufficient funds to put him through Rush Medical College, Chicago, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1906. For two years he remained at Chicago, engaged in general practice, and then transferred his residence and center of activities to Bowling Green, where he has built up a splendid practice and an excellent reputation. Doctor Whitacre keeps himself thoroughly informed as to the advancements being made in his calling, and retains membership in the leading organizations of his calling, including the Wood County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He was a member of the local draft board during the World war, acting in the capacity of medical examiner for same. He also has numerous other connections, and takes an active part in the busy life of the city of his adoption.

Doctor Whitacre married Miss Ellen V. Chapman, a college mate of his and a daughter of Charles Chapman, of Higginsville, Missouri. They are the parents of two children: Flora B., educated in the local schools at Bethany, West Virginia, and at Denison University, and now a teacher at Pemberville, Wood County, in Greek and Latin; and Halford E., who attended the Chicago and Bowling Green schools and Denison University, where he attended the Students' Army Training Corps during the World war, and is now taking a medical course at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

SHADRACH WOLF BOWMAN. In the profession of law in Wood County there are few names better known than that of Shadrach Wolf Bowman, who has gained a high standing in his calling through natural ability, resources and industry. Mr. Bowman has also been identified with other phases of the busy

life of the enterprising little city of Bowling Green, and has done much to encourage and assist beneficial projects.

Shadrach W. Bowman was born February 20, 1876, at Leipsic, Putnam County, Ohio, and is a son of John C. and Eliza A. (Wolf) Bowman. John C. Bowman was born in 1840, and about the time of his majority enlisted in Company I, One Hundred and Twenty-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry, for service during the Civil war, through which struggle he fought valiantly, although meeting with many mishaps. For the greater part his services were in the Shenandoah Valley and around Richmond. He was captured by the enemy and confined in the notorious Andersonville stockade, and after his exchange was affected was again taken prisoner and confined at Belle Isle, where his health became completely shattered. He was again exchanged and rejoined his command, but a few days before the close of the war was again taken prisoner near Appomattox. He never fully regained his health, and died when fifty-two years of age. In 1888 the family moved to Wood County, settling on a farm near Weston. Mr. Bowman served there as township trustee and also held other minor offices, including director of the School Board. He was a republican; up to his time the first of the family to adopt the principles of that party, casting his first republican vote for J. B. Foraker. Mrs. Bowman, who was born June 15, 1851, still survives her husband and is a resident of Bowling Green. S. W. Bowman is the eldest of two sons and five daughters, all self-educated and all teachers. His brother, John H., died at the age of twenty-five years, while serving as superintendent of the Middleton Township schools. He was educated at the Tri-State Normal School at Angola, Indiana, and was a young man of great promise and high abilities.

Shadrach W. Bowman attended the country schools and the Tri-State Normal at Angola, and early became a teacher in the rural communities. He was advanced rapidly, serving as superintendent of schools at Milton Center and Haskins, and at the age of twenty-four years, in 1900, was elected county recorder. He taught one term of school before taking up his official duties, and acted capably in the office from 1901 to 1907. In the latter year he became a law student at the Ohio State University, and two years later was admitted to the practice of law. At that time he formed a partnership with Judge McClelland, which continued until the latter's elevation to the bench, since which time Mr. Bowman has remained alone. He practices in all the courts and is known as one of Wood County's most capable and thorough legists. He is a member of the county and state legal associations, in politics is a republican, belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Masons, Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows and Elks, of which last-named he has been exalted ruler, and is a director of the Farmers Banking Company of Haskins and of the Wood County Savings Bank at Bowling Green.

In 1898 Mr. Bowman married Miss Blanche Wood, who lost her parents when an infant and was reared in the home of Henry Kiel of Weston, and educated at the Weston High School and Lima College, following which she taught school until the time of her marriage. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Bowman: Kiel Bertram, a graduate of the Case School of Applied Science, Cleveland, is now chemical engineer in the employ of the Central Steel Company of Massillon, Ohio. He had military training with the Student Army Training Corps at Case. Mildred Grace, a graduate of the Bowling Green High School and Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, is supervising nurse in a hospital at Massillon. John is attending the Ohio State University.

George W. Foltz, M. D. For nearly thirty years Dr. George W. Foltz has been a representative of the medical profession, enjoying the highest success and esteem in the community of North Baltimore. For several years he has had a son associated with him, and the name Foltz stands for the highest attainments in both medicine and surgery.

George W. Foltz was born in Hancock County, Ohio, December 18, 1856. He was a boy when his mother died, and that event and other conditions deprived him of many advantages and opportunities such as the average boy enjoys. He had to get his own education and make his own way in the world. He completed his higher education in Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he was graduated Bachelor of Science in 1887. Then followed a period of teaching, and in 1896 he was graduated from Starling Medical College at Columbus, now included in the Ohio State University. Since finishing the regular college course he has taken four post-graduate courses, and he has made his entire working experience opportunity for close observation and improved methods on his own part. Many years ago a member of his family was afflicted with Bright's disease, and this was a special incentive to him to specialize in the study of methods of handling that disease. He has also specialized in cases of diabetes and tuberculosis, and his work has been especially successful and has won fame in these special fields. Doctor Foltz after graduating in medicine practiced several years with his brother Tobias H. Foltz at Lima, but for a quarter of a century has been located at North Baltimore. He has prepared addresses and reports on his special work for various conventions, reading one paper that attracted special attention before the Northwestern Ohio Medical Society. He is a member of the County, Ohio State, Tri-State and American Medical associations. Some of his practice has come from localities far distant from North Baltimore. He has been health officer of North Baltimore, has been actively identified with the United Brethren Church and for many years was superintendent of its Sunday school. He also served on the School Board, and is affiliated with the Masonic, Knights of Pythias and other fraternal and social organizations.

He married Miss Esther Brundige, of Hancock County. Three children were born to their marriage. Miss Ethel G., a graduate of the North Baltimore High School, is at home. The son is Earl D. The youngest child is Miss Ruth, who is a graduate of high school, and finished her musical education at Westerville. She is proficient on the pipe organ and other instruments.

Dr. Earl D. Foltz is a graduate of high school, of the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and finished his medical education in Western Reserve University at Cleveland. He had one year of work as an interne in the Cleveland City Hospital, and during the World war was in the Army hospital service. He is now specializing in surgery and is associated with his father.

Edwin Jones at the time of his death in 1921 was justly regarded as one of the very foremost citizens in business ability and public influence in Jackson County and Southern Ohio.

He was a member of one of the oldest and most distinguished Southern Ohio families. His venerable father, Eben Jones, who survived him, was a veteran iron master of the Hanging Rock iron region. Eben Jones was born in Wales, on June 10, 1834, son of Thomas T. and Mary (Edwards) Jones. In 1837 Thomas T. Jones brought his family to America, crossing the ocean on a sailing vessel, coming westward from New York by stage coach and canal boat,

and finally from Chillicothe, using wagon and team to penetrate the almost unbroken wilderness of Jackson County. Thomas T. Jones in spite of primitive pioneer conditions developed a farm and built one of the most substantial farm houses in the county, and subsequently became the contractor in building a portion of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway. After 1853 he became identified with the iron industry, assisting in organizing the Jefferson Furnace Company and the Buckeye Furnace. Eben Jones was a child when the family came to Ohio, grew up in Jackson County, and acquired a good education in the country schools, in Ohio University at Athens, and in business college at Cincinnati. For six years he taught school. While teaching he became interested in the iron furnace industry.

In 1864 he helped recruit a company and became first lieutenant of Company C of the One Hundred and Seventy-ninth Ohio Infantry, serving during the last year of the war and participating in the battle of Nashville. After the war he was secretary and treasurer of the Buckeye Furnace. In 1873 he helped organize and became secretary and treasurer of the Globe Iron Company at Jackson, and for over forty years was prominently identified with this, one of the most successful iron companies of Southern Ohio, of which he was president at the time of his death.

In August, 1857, Eben Jones married Ann Williams, a native of Wales, daughter of Morgan and Margaret Williams, who died in 1887. Their six sons, Thomas A., Edwin, John E., Newton M., Charles D. and Frederick E., all achieved success in their chosen vocations.

The second son, Edwin Jones, was born in Jackson County, on December 11, 1862. His career was notable, and he made his life a source of unusual service to the development of his native county. He early became connected with the coal industry, and for many years was a leader in the development of the coal resources of this section of the state. As a man of far sighted vision he made plans, and worked for their execution, to give to his community substantial industries after the coal deposits had been depleted. He was very influential in securing industries for the City of Jackson, including the the car shops of the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton Railroad, and the Crown Pipe and Foundry Company, of which he was the organizer and controlling factor and president at the time of his death. One monument to his enterprise and public spirited generosity is the beautiful Cambrian Hotel of Jackson, which he built, and which is one of the finest hotels outside of the larger cities in Ohio.

Mr. Jones was public spirited to a remarkable degree. He gave without stint both money and services to all movements for civic welfare. He did much to stimulate athletics and all wholesome sport, helping maintain baseball, football and other teams. He gave the ground for the athletic field at Jackson. He served his city as councilman and as mayor, and as head of the city government he was especially influential in providing Jackson with a sanitary system of high standard. He served as the first president of the Jackson Business Men's Association, and ever placed the interests of his home city above all else.

For a number of years he was a recognized leader in the Tenth Congressional District. He was a member of the Republican State Central Committee, and was chairman of the committee during the 1914 campaign when Frank B. Willis was elected governor and the late Warren G. Harding, United States Senator. In 1918 Mr. Jones was a candidate for the republican nomination for governor of Ohio.

In 1887 Mr. Jones married Miss Lola Williams, daughter of Dr. William L. Williams, of Centerville, Ohio, one of the leading physicians of that part of the state, and of his wife, Julia Ann (Gibbs) Williams of Middleton, Connecticut.

Mr. Jones was stricken with fatal disease in the autumn of 1920, at the height of his physical and mental powers, and died at Grant Hospital, Columbus, on February 4, 1921. His widow, with their three children, Donald E., Lillian and Dwight, survive him.

Mr. Jones was intensely patriotic, and while to his great disappointment his age and health prevented his acceptance in the active service of his country during the World war, he threw himself unreservedly into all the Liberty Bond campaigns and served for two years as chairman for Jackson County of the sale of War Savings Stamps. He was intensely proud of the war record of his two sons, who enlisted together in the navy on June 4, 1917, and who served together during their entire overseas service of nineteen months on the U. S. S. Melville, the flagship of the Destroyer Squadron in foreign waters.

Both of Mr. Jones' sons are married, and are at present engaged in the conduct of the Crown Pipe and Foundry Company of Jackson, which was founded by their father, and of which their mother is president. The daughter, Miss Lillian, has devoted her life to a musical career, and is assured by competent critics to have a brilliant success before her.

THOMAS C. HELMS. One of the reliable and well-established business enterprises of Steubenville is the wholesale cigar and confectionery business conducted by Thomas C. Helms. This is the outgrowth of a retail business which was established forty years ago and which has always been conducted along lines which have given the business the support of the public and its owner the confidence of his fellow citizens.

Mr. Helms was born at Steubenville, July 30, 1864, and is a son of William M. and Nancy J. (Davidson) Helms. On the paternal side his grandparents were Lewis W. and Mary (Myers) Helms, the former of Virginia ancestry, having settled in Ohio at a very early date, about 1820. The Meyers family settled on the site of Steubenville about 1796, and the original land grant is still owned by their descendants. His maternal grandparents were Robert Carr and Freely Davidson, who came from Pennsylvania about 1830. In early life William M. Helms followed the trade of blacksmith, and while so engaged became interested in the matter of accident insurance. Eventually he was identified with that business for thirty-five years, representing the Maryland Casualty Company and being vice president of the Gesscheider General Insurance Company, a locally owned concern. He was also vice president of the Steubenville Building and Loan Company and one of the directors therein. His religious connection was with the Westminster Presbyterian Church. Mr. Helms was a veteran of the Civil war, as a member of the One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and had three brothers in that struggle, while four of his wife's brothers took part in the great war between the North and the South. Mrs. Helms died about 1900, while Mr. Helms survived until 1921, passing away at the advanced age of eighty-six years. Of their five children two died in infancy, the others being: Robert, deceased, who married Eva Black, and had two children, Oliver and Dora; Lewis, who married Anna Vogle; and Thomas C.

Thomas C. Helms was educated in the public schools of Steubenville, and after attending high school for two years entered the retail cigar business of his brother Robert, who was a number of years

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his senior. When he was only twenty years of age he bought his brother's business, and from that time forward continued to carry on a retail enterprise until 1910, in which year he embarked in the wholesale line. This he has since developed into one of the largest in Eastern Ohio. He has a steady and growing trade that covers a wide territory, and his reputation for integrity and honorable dealing has done much to make his business a success. Mr. Helms was one of the first stockholders in the Steubenville Building and Loan Company, in which he has held stock for thirty-six years, and at the time of the death of his father succeeded the elder man as a member of the board of directors. He is identified with the Westminster Presbyterian Church and with the local Chamber of Commerce, and takes an active part in various affairs of the city.

On August 28, 1889, at Steubenville, Mr. Helms was united in marriage with Miss Nina Gordan Mitchell, daughter of Chester P. and Sallie (Dunkerly) Mitchell, the former of whom died about 1909 and the latter about 1913. They were the parents of the following children: Nina Gordan; Jessie, who married H. Smiley Ekey; George W., who married Agnes Orr and had three children, Irene, Katherine and Chester; and Mildred, who married James Winter and had two children, Margaret and Chester. Mr. Mitchell was a farmer in the Western Reserve section, the son of a Revolutionary soldier and a descendant of a prominent Vermont family. Mrs. Helms' grandmother was a Hopkins and a direct descendant of Cyrus Hopkins, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Mr. and Mrs. Helms had two sons: William M., who is single and resides at home, served in the World war in the Marine Corps, Seventy-third Drill Detachment, United States Marine Detachment, United States Steamship New Mexico, Officers' Training Corps, Company D, Quantico; and Second Separate Machine Gun Battalion, seeing two years of service. He is now associated in business with his father. The younger son, Thomas C., died at the age of fifteen months.

William F. Hosler has found in his native county ample opportunity for successful achievement, and here holds the responsible executive office of cashier of the Ohio Bank & Savings Company, one of the leading financial institutions in the City of Findlay, Hancock County.

Mr. Hosler was born on a farm in Washington Township, this county, February 1, 1862, and is a son of Peter and Susan (Sherman) Hosler, the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Maryland, their marriage having been solemnized at Canton, Stark County, Ohio. After their marriage the parents established their residence in Tiffin, Seneca County, where the father became a successful contractor and builder, he having been a skilled workman at the carpenter's trade. Peter Hosler later engaged in the same line of business at Fostoria, that county, and eventually he purchased and established his home on a farm in Washington Township, Hancock County. As a contractor he exemplified the high fidelity that was common in earlier days, often going to the forest and selecting the timber for the lumber which he was to use in his building operations, and in Hancock County many substantial houses and other buildings remain to attest his skill and effective vocational stewardship.

In the spring of 1875 Peter Hosler, who had continued his contracting activities while supervising the operations of his farm, moved to Findlay and entered upon the discharge of his duties as treasurer of Hancock County, an office to which he had been elected in the autumn of the preceding year. In his term of four years as county treasurer he gave a characteristically faithful and efficient administration of the fiscal affairs of the county. After retiring from office he founded the Farmers Bank at Findlay, an institution of which the present Buckeye Bank is the lineal successor. He continued president of the bank until he sold his interests therein, in 1887. He then founded the City Bank, of which he continued executive head until his death in 1897, the business having thereafter been reorganized and having since been successfully continued under the title of the Ohio Bank and Savings Company. The executive officers of this solid and well ordered institution are as here noted: P. W. Ewing, president; A. F. King, vice president; William F. Hosler, cashier; and E. P. Ewing, assistant cashier.

William F. Hosler continued his studies in the public schools of Findlay until he had profited by the advantages of the high school. At the age of eighteen years he became teller in the bank founded by his father, and he eventually advanced to his present post, that of cashier of the Ohio Bank & Savings Company.

Mr. Hosler is intrinsically loyal and public-spirited as a citizen, is aligned in the ranks of the democratic party, but has had no desire for political activity or public office. He is president of the Buckeye Traction Ditcher Company, one of the important industrial concerns of his home city, and is secretary and treasurer of the Findlay Courier Company, which publishes a democratic county paper that effectively covers its field. He is affiliated with the local lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his wife is an active communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

In October, 1885, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Hosler and Miss Helen M. Shafer, and they have one daughter, Mary Louise, who was graduated from the Findlay High School and from Miss Mittleberger's Finishing School in the City of Cleveland. Mrs. Hosler was born and reared in Hancock County, and her public school education was supplemented by her attending Oberlin College and Mount Holyoke College. She is a daughter of Morgan D. and Mary L. (Bunts) Shafer. Morgan D. Shafer was a prominent attorney and democratic leader in Ohio.

William Francis Demuth, M. D. Until 1921 William Francis Demuth was engaged in the successful practice of medicine and surgery in Tuscarawas County, save for the period of the World war, when he was a medical officer in France, earning a distinguished record there. For the past four years Doctor Demuth has been president and general manager of the Canton Brick and Fireproofing Company, the second largest face brick manufacturing concern in the world. It is an industry of remarkable proportions and rapid growth, and has been established only since 1921. It operates plants at New Philadelphia, Canton, Midvale, Robertsville and Newcomerstown. The general offices are in New Philadelphia, and the company maintains a number of sales offices.

Doctor Demuth was born on a farm near New Philadelphia, May 5, 1884, son of Hon. Oliver J. and Caroline (Schmitz) Demuth. A sketch of the career of his father, a prominent citizen of Tuscarawas County, is given elsewhere. Doctor Demuth was reared in West New Philadelphia, where his parents established a home when he was five years of age. After public schools he attended Oberlin College three years, and took his medical course in Western Reserve University at Cleveland, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1910. After a year as interne in St. Vincent's Hospital at Cleveland he located at Port Washington, in Tuscarawas County,

and built up an extensive general practice during the eight years he was there.

Doctor Demuth gave up his professional business and volunteered in April, 1918, and in May was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps. He was ordered to Camp Greenleaf and soon afterwards went overseas with the Fifth Division, remaining with that unit of the American Expeditionary Forces. He was cited for distinguished service under extraordinary circumstances and received the French Croix de Guerre. On the field he was promoted to the rank of captain. Following the armistice he went with the Army of Occupation, and on July 1, 1919, returned home and received his honorable discharge at Camp Sherman July 18th.

Doctor Demuth then resumed private practice at New Philadelphia, but two years later was elected president and general manager of the organization of the Canton Brick and Fireproofing Company. Though brief, Doctor Demuth's professional career was one of brilliant attainments and achievements. He was an active member of the Tuscarawas County, Ohio State and American Medical associations. Doctor Demuth has a number of business relations, being president of the Farmers State Bank at Port Washington, a director of the Exchange Bank at Stonecreek and director of the McKone Tire and Rubber Company at Millersburg. He is progressive in spirit, capable in business, and his associates say of him that he has practiced his favorite motto: "What can be done, must be done."

Doctor Demuth is a member of the American Legion, the Bronx Club, the Union Country Club, is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He was reared in the faith of the Moravian Church. He is nominally a republican voter, although acting independently where such action promotes good and effective government. Doctor Demuth married in 1911 Miss Helen Wallace, of New Philadelphia. They have two children: William Wallace and John Richard Demuth.

JOHN V. HARTMAN, M. D., who is established in the successful practice of his profession in the City of Findlay and who specializes in surgery, has gained a secure place as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of his native county.

Doctor Hartman was born on the parental homestead farm in Allen Township, Hancock County, Ohio, March 10, 1877, and his preliminary education was obtained in the district schools of his native township. Thereafter he continued his studies in the Findlay public schools until he had profited by the curriculum of the high school, and he pursued higher academic studies in Findlay College. He made thereafter a record of six years of effective service as a teacher in the public schools of Hancock County, and in the meanwhile he had formulated definite plans for his future career. In consonance with his ambitious purpose he entered the Cleveland Medical College, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the Class of 1904. In addition to this receiving in the Ohio metropolis his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was able to fortify himself further by the valuable clinical experience he there gained in the position of interne in the Cleveland Maternity Hospital and the Cleveland City Hospital.

In October, 1904, Doctor Hartman opened an office at Findlay, judicial center of his native county, and here he developed within the ensuing decade a substantial and representative general practice. In 1914 he spent seven months in effective post-graduate study in leading hospitals and medical schools of Vienna, Austria, where he gave particular attention to surgery, which department of professional service has since represented his special field of practice at Findlay.

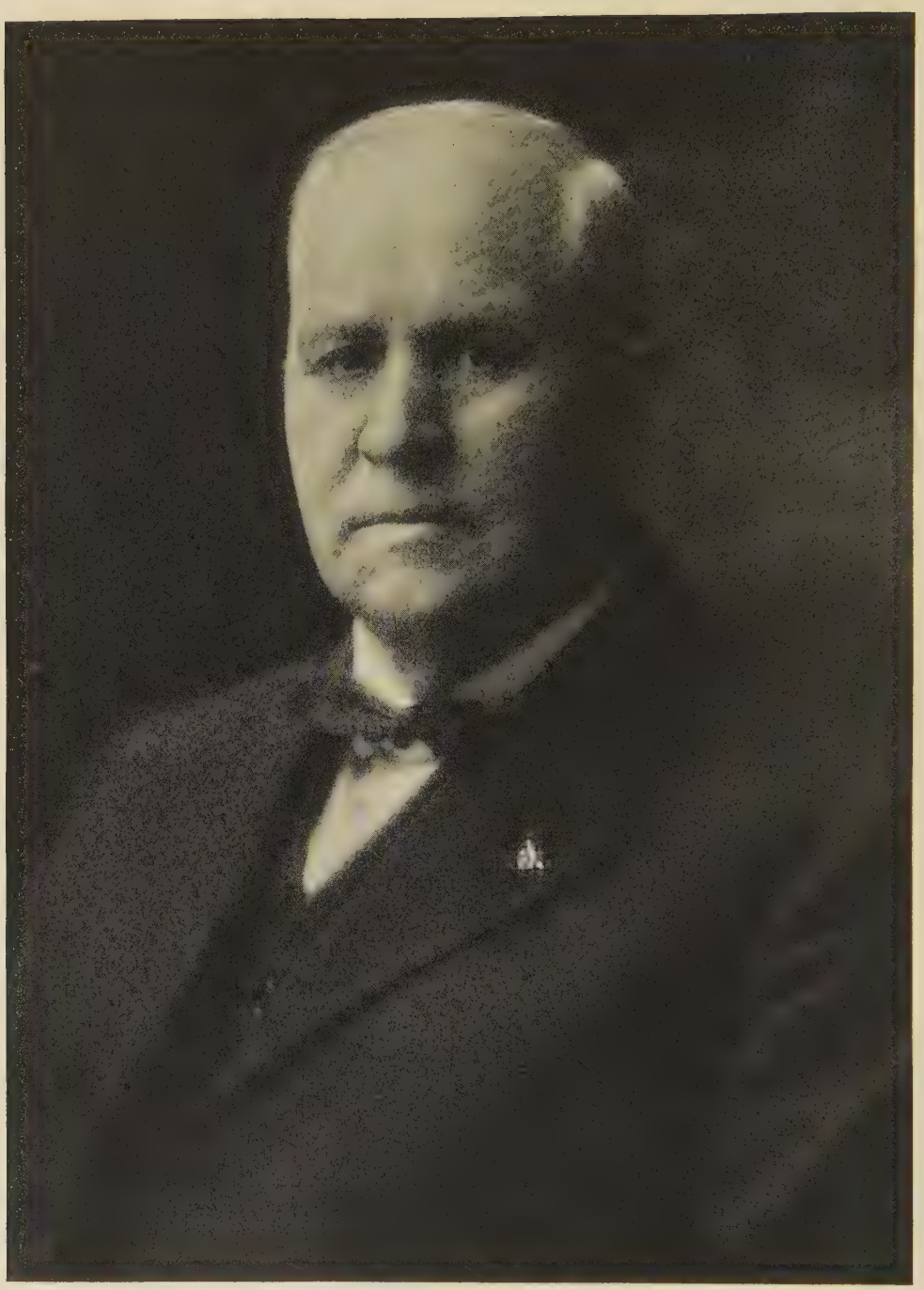
When the nation entered the World war Doctor Hartman began to adjust his personal and professional affairs in such order as to enable him to enter service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. He enlisted in this service in February, 1918, and in the following June went with his corps to France, where he did effective service until June, 1919. He was honorably discharged, with the rank of major, and he returned to his home at Findlay. The experience which he gained in surgical work while with the American Expeditionary Forces in France added much to his technical skill, the while it represented his loyal stewardship in constructive patriotism. The Doctor is identified with the Hancock County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. In 1922, in company with his wife, Doctor Hartman passed six and one-half months in Europe, most of this time having been passed in Vienna, a city in which he had been studying at the inception of the World war. He is affiliated with York and Scottish Rite bodies of the Masonic fraternity. He and his wife and daughter hold membership in the Presbyterian Church in their home city.

In 1906 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Hartman and Miss Zoe Codding, who was graduated from the Findlay High School and who later became a popular teacher in the same. Doctor and Mrs. Hartman have one daughter, Sarah Roe, who was born in 1910, and who (1923) is attending the public schools of Findlay.

COLLIN D. HAYWARD, secretary and treasurer of the Buckeye Traction Ditcher Company, one of the most important industrial concerns in the City of Findlay, Hancock County, was born at Kelloggsville, Ashtabula County, Ohio, July 9, 1857, and is a son of Samuel and Ednah (Deane) Hayward, the former of whom was born in the northern part of the State of New York and the latter in the State of Massachusetts. She was a child at the time her parents established their residence in Ashtabula County, Ohio, where she was reared and educated and where her marriage was solemnized. Both she and her husband passed the remainder of their lives in that county. Samuel Hayward for a number of years operated a tannery at Kelloggsville, and later he conducted a bank in that village. After his death his widow there continued to maintain her home until she too passed away, at the venerable age of ninety-seven years.

The schools of his native village constitute the medium through which Collin D. Hayward acquired his early education, which included the discipline of the high school. As a youth he went to the City of Chicago, where he found employment in the great mercantile establishment of Marshall Field & Company. After his return to Ohio he was associated with his father in the lumber business, and he thus continued until February, 1886, when he established a lumber yard at Findlay. Here he continued successfully in the lumber trade until 1909, when he assumed his present executive office, that of secretary and treasurer of the Buckeye Traction Ditcher Company. Of this important industrial corporation W. F. Hosler is president and C. L. Casterline the vice president, and the directorate of the company includes the three executive officers and also W. A. Hollington, R. W. Moore and A. C. Heck.

For more than thirty years Mr. Hayward has been numbered among the substantial business men and progressive citizens of Findlay, and in 1923 he is serving as a member of the City Council. He is affiliated with the local lodge of the Benevolent and



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Protective Order of Elks, is a republican in political allegiance, and he and his wife hold membership in the Christian Science Church. The maiden name of Mrs. Hayward was May C. Coburn, and the one child, Rachel, born in July, 1908, is, in 1923, a student in the Findlay High School.

Oscar P. Klotz, M. D., has in the City of Findlay, Hancock County, a practice whose broad scope and importance attest alike his professional ability and his unqualified personal popularity.

Doctor Klotz takes due satisfaction in claiming the old Buckeye State as the place of his nativity, he having been born on the parental home farm in Fairfield County, Ohio, October 31, 1875, a son of John H. and Mary A. (Roley) Klotz, who now maintain their home in the Village of Benton Ridge, Hancock County. The father was born in Fairfield County, in 1854, and his active career was marked by long and successful association with farm industry in his native state. The parents are zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the father has always given loyal support to the cause of the democratic party. Of the four children three are living, Dr. Oscar P., of this sketch, being the eldest of the number; Shirley is the wife of Clarence Fetters, of Hancock County; and Ruby remains at the parental home.

Doctor Klotz was a lad of ten years at the time of the family removal from Fairfield County to Hancock County, in 1885, and here he completed the curriculum of the public schools at Benton. Thereafter he gave ten years of successful service as a teacher in the schools of Hancock County, and he then entered the Illinois Medical College, in the City of Chicago, in which institution he was graduated as president of the class of 1905. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was engaged in general practice at Hoopeston, Illinois, until 1920, when he returned to the old home county in Ohio and engaged in practice at Findlay, where continued success has attended his able and earnest ministrations as a physician and surgeon. He holds membership in the Hancock County Medical Society, the Ohio and Illinois State Medical societies, and the American Medical Association. In the Masonic fraternity the Doctor has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is also a member of the Mystic Shrine, besides which he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a republican in political adherency, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Doctor Klotz wedded Miss Marie Thompson, a graduate of the high school at Iowa City, Iowa, and their one child, Marguerite, is a member of the class of 1926 in the Findlay High School.

Frederick N. Price has been superintendent of the Hancock County Home or Infirmary since the spring of 1919, and is giving a careful, conscientious and effective administration of the affairs of this institution.

Mr. Price was born on a farm in Madison Township, Hancock County, October 2, 1889, and is a son of Adam and Mary (Fischer) Price, the former of whom likewise was born in Madison Township and the latter was born in Pennsylvania, she having been a child when her parents came to Ohio and located at Crestline, Crawford County, whence they later came to Arlington, Hancock County, where the daughter was reared and educated. Adam Price, a representative of one of the old and sterling families of Hancock County, has continuously maintained his residence in Madison Township, and is today one of the substantial exponents of farm industry in that township. He is aligned in the ranks of the democratic party and is a communicant of the Lutheran Church, as was also his wife, her death having occurred in 1909. Of the four children Frederick N., of this sketch, is the eldest; Eva M. is the wife of Herman Rettig, and they reside in Hancock County; Anna is the wife of Harvey P. Boehm, of Hardin County; and A. Reed remains with his father on the old home farm.

Reared on a farm and early beginning to contribute his quota to its activities, Frederick N. Price did not in the meanwhile fail to profit fully by the advantages of the local schools, and he continued his studies in the public schools of his native county until his graduation from the high school at Arlington. He advanced his education thereafter by further study at Athens and Bowling Green, and he made a record of effective service as a teacher in the public schools, his service in the pedagogic profession having continued during a period of eight years. Thereafter he was engaged one year in independent farm enterprise, and he served eighteen months as clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Hancock County. In 1919 he was appointed to his present office, that of superintendent of the County Home, a position of which he has been the incumbent since April of that year.

Mr. Price is a democrat of inalienable loyalty, is affiliated with Findlay Lodge No. 227, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; with the Grange at Benton Ridge; and with the Loyal Order of Moose. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran Church in the village of Arlington.

The year 1912 recorded the marriage of Mr. Price and Miss Carrie O. Keller, and of this union have been born five children; Ruth, Lester, Dean, Robert (deceased) and Leon. Mr. Price is a stockholder in the Findlay Savings & Loan Company and also in farmers' cooperative grain elevators.

John E. Hattery, M. D., is not only one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Mercer County but also has distinct prominence as one of the most progressive and liberal citizens of Celina, the county seat. Here the Doctor is president of the First National Bank, of which he has been a director from the time of its incorporation, in 1900, and he is president also of the Celina Manufacturing Company, a well ordered concern here engaged in the manufacturing of sheet metal.

Doctor Hattery was born at Van Wert, Ohio, July 25, 1857, and is a son of the late Josiah and Elizabeth (Ritter) Hattery, the father having been a skilled cabinetmaker and having been engaged directly or constructively with the work of his trade during virtually his entire active career. In the public schools of his native city Doctor Hattery continued his studies until he had completed the curriculum of the high school, and in 1884 he was graduated from fine old Starling Medical College, which is now the medical department of the University of Ohio, which institution has issued supplemental diplomas to the still living graduates of Starling. After receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine Doctor Hattery was engaged in the practice of his profession at Elgin, Van Wert County, from 1884 until 1893, since which latter year he has been established in general practice at Celina, where he has long controlled a large and representative professional business and where he has high place in the confidence and good will of the community. He has served as president of the Mercer County Medical Society, of which he is now one of the veteran members, and he has membership also in the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In the Masonic fraternity the Doctor has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and in the York Rite jurisdiction he has served as high priest of his Chapter of Royal

Arch Masons and holds a life membership in his consistory of Scottish Rite.

The Doctor was one of the organizers and incorporators of the First National Bank of Celina, and has been for the past several years its president, his administration being known for its careful conservatism and yet liberal and progressive policies. He is medical examiner for a large number of the leading life insurance companies doing business in Mercer County, including the Aetna, the John Hancock, the Mutual Life of New York, the Equitable of New York, the Gem City Life, the Midland Mutual, the Ohio State Life, the Columbus Mutual, the Ohio National Life, the Pittsburgh Life & Trust, the Ohio State Mutual Life, the Missouri State Life, the Indiana State Life, and the Penn Mutual Life. He served as a medical member of the Draft Board during the period of the World war.

Doctor Hattery is a stalwart advocate and supporter of the principles of the republican party, and his civil loyalty was shown in his twenty years of service as a member of the Celina Board of Education, of which he was president during much of this period, and by more than seven years of service as president of the Mercer County Board of Education. His wife, long a popular figure in social and cultural circles in her home city, here holds membership in the Alturian and Thimble Clubs, besides being affiliated with the local chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

The year 1886 recorded the marriage of Doctor Hattery and Miss Mary A. Nichols, daughter of the late Samuel and Maria (Dillon) Nichols, of Mercer County. Of the children of Doctor and Mrs. Hattery the eldest is Dr. John S., who is now a leading physician and surgeon in the city of Mansfield, Ohio; Russell H. is an executive of the Celina Manufacturing Company, as is also his brother Sidney D.; Florence A. is the wife of Grover J. Kenney, and they reside in Brooklyn, New York; Leonora B., whose death occurred in 1919, was the wife of Clarence L. Allis, now superintendent of the Electric Light and Power Company at Wooster, Ohio.

William H. Brown has proved vital and resourceful in bringing up to a high standard the Findlay Daily Courier, at Findlay, the metropolis and judicial center of Hancock County, he being editor of this paper and his father president of the company by which it is published. W. F. Hosler is the secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Brown claims the Sunflower State as the place of his nativity, but is a representative of one of the old and well known families of Hancock County, Ohio. He was born at Mead Center, Kansas, September 16, 1889, and is a son of H. W. Brown, who was born at Findlay, Ohio, February 14, 1863, and who was here reared to adult age, his public school education having been supplemented by a course in the Ohio Normal School at Ada. H. W. Brown staged his activities in the Southwest at the time when settlement was there advancing with remarkable rapidity. He founded newspapers in new towns in that section of the country, and did much to further civic progress. He sold his various papers after placing them in successful operation, and finally, in 1890, he returned, with his family, to his native county, where he founded the Findlay Union as a weekly paper. He has since continued his association with newspaper enterprise at Findlay, where in 1903 he purchased the plant and business of the Findlay Daily Courier, of which he has since been the executive head, he being president of the company by which the paper is published. Mr. Brown wedded Miss Lillian C. Blood, who was born in Iowa and who was graduated from Mary Baldwin Seminary, Staunton, Virginia. Of this union William H., of this sketch, is the only child. He was an infant at the time his parents came from Kansas and established their home at Findlay. His mother passed away December 21, 1924, following an illness of several weeks' duration and having been in declining health for the past four years.

In the public schools of Findlay William H. Brown continued his studies until his graduation from high school, and thereafter he continued to be associated with his father's newspaper business here until 1914, when he was appointed chief committee clerk of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States. He retained this position until 1918, and then resigned to accept the post of vice consul and special assistant to the United States Department of State, which he thus represented in Siberia and Japan for a period of sixteen months. He then resumed his association with the Findlay Daily Courier, of which he is now editor. Both he and his father are stalwart advocates of the principles of the democratic party, and his father served four years as postmaster of Findlay under the second administration of President Wilson. The father is a Knight Templar Mason, and is affiliated also with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. William H. Brown as an appreciative and popular member of the Findlay Lodge of Elks and of the Presbyterian Church.

Anson Swank has for a long period of years been actively associated with business interests in the Village of Arlington, where he is now the president of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank, and also one of the progressive and influential members of the Village Council. In his service as a member of the Council he has acted also as mayor for intervals, he being now chairman of the Municipal Board of Public Affairs, president of the Board of Health of the County, and a citizen who takes loyal interest in all that concerns the community welfare. He is a republican in politics, he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in their home village, he being a member of its Board of Stewards. He is a past grand of the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, besides being affiliated with the Encampment body of this fraternity and also with its auxiliary, known as the daughters of Rebekah.

Mr. Swank was born on a farm five miles north of his present home village, and the date of his nativity was April 6, 1867. He is a son of John and Elizabeth (Oman) Swank. John Swank was born in Pennsylvania, and was a child of one year at the time of his parents' removal to Richland County, Ohio, where he was reared and educated and where was solemnized his first marriage, to Mary Myers. Of the four children of this union only one is living. After the death of his first wife John Swank contracted a second marriage, the family name of his second wife having been Hair. Of the four children only one survives in 1923. The third marriage of John Swank was with Miss Elizabeth Oman, and of the twelve children of this marriage six are living. Mrs. Mary Swank, the fourth wife of John Swank, bore four children, of whom two are living. The foregoing record shows that John Swank became the father of twenty-four children, ten of whom still survive. He was a republican, served as justice of the peace, and in earlier years he was a successful teacher in the district schools. He was a skilled workman at the blacksmith trade, and in addition to his successful achievements as a farmer he was also operator of a saw mill for a number of years.

Anson Swank passed the period of his childhood and early youth on a farm in Jackson Township, this county, and he attended the district schools until he was fourteen years old. He then became depen-

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dent upon his own resources, was for three years employed by the month in farm work in Morrow County, and he then returned to Hancock County and became a teamster at Findlay. One year later he removed to Arlington, and here he was employed ten years in a retail liquor establishment. On the 1st of April, 1896, he here purchased a half interest in a meat market. In this line of enterprise he was associated with one partner, Hosafras, thirteen years, and for the past fourteen years his partner in the business has been C. J. Hunter, theirs being the leading market of the village, with the best of equipment and service. Mr. Swank and his wife, whose maiden name was Etta Doolittle, have no children.

William F. Lehr, M. D. With residence and professional headquarters at Arlington, Doctor Lehr has a substantial general practice that marks him as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Hancock County.

Doctor Lehr was born in Hardin County, Ohio, June 13, 1870, and is a son of Daniel and Susan (Pentzer) Lehr, the former of whom was born in Pennsylvania, in the year 1825, and the latter of whom was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, in 1829, she having been six years of age at the time of the family removal to Wyandot County, where she was reared to adult age.

The early education of Daniel Lehr was acquired in the schools of his native state, and he was a youth when he went to Delaware County, Ohio, and there became a student in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. There his marriage was solemnized, and after residing in Delaware County for somewhat more than a decade he and his wife removed to Hardin County, where he became a successful farmer and where he met a tragic death, having been killed by a runaway team. His widow passed the remainder of her life in that and Wyandot counties. Daniel Lehr was a man of fine mentality and sterling character, was a republican in political allegiance, and both he and his wife were zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Of the five children four are living at the time of this writing (1923): Chauncey McCabe, eldest of the four, was graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and is now a successful high school teacher; Josephine F. is the widow of John Rowe; Lucy W. is the widow of William C. Thomas; and Dr. William F., of this review, is the youngest of the number.

The district schools of Wyandot County afforded Doctor Lehr his preliminary education, and thereafter he pursued a higher academic course in Ohio Wesleyan University. He gave five years to effective service as a teacher in the public schools, and the trend of his ambition was indicated when he entered the Eclectic Medical College in the City of Cincinnati and began preparing himself for the profession of his choice. In this institution he was graduated as a member of the Class of 1899, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he forthwith established his residence at Arlington, where he has since continued his able and faithful professional ministrations and has a substantial general practice. The doctor is a member of the Hancock County Medical Society, the Northwestern Ohio Eclectic Medical Society, the Ohio State Eclectic Medical Society, and the National Eclectic Medical Association. He has kept in close touch with the advances made in medical and surgical science, and in his practice avails himself of the most approved of modern methods, remedial agents and surgical accessories.

Doctor Lehr is aligned staunchly in the ranks of the republican party, and he and his wife are earnest members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Arlington, he being a member of its official board. He has given effective service as a member of the Arlington Board of Education, of which he was president some time. He is a stockholder in the Farmers and Merchants Bank. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and with the Lodge and Encampment bodies of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he is a past noble grand.

August 5, 1896, recorded the marriage of Doctor Lehr and Miss Salina J. Carey, who had been a successful teacher in the public schools. Mrs. Lehr passed to the life eternal on the 19th of August, 1918, and is not survived by children. On the 10th of June, 1920, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Lehr to Miss Olive B. Beitler, who was born and reared in Hancock County and who was here graduated from the high school at Mount Blanchard. Mrs. Lehr is active in church work, and is a popular factor in the social activities of her home community.

Arthur L. Stark. It was during his lifetime rather than since his death that definite concensus of opinion formulated Arthur L. Stark's place as one of the best beloved men in Northern Ohio, and particularly in his home city of Elyria, where many hundreds of all classes and conditions, reposed in him the utmost confidence and trust as a citizen, man of affairs and business executive.

Undoubtedly it was through his work and such influence that he could exert from day to day that the late Mr. Stark preferred to be known, since his modesty kept him out of public attention such as is ordinarily given to a man of his commercial rank. Mr. Stark made most of his opportunities in life. He was born in Cleveland, December 15, 1868, and graduated from Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland. He was a highly qualified chemical engineer, a man of much technical ability as well as a sound and successful executive. His business record can best be presented through quoting from the resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Harshaw, Fuller and Goodwin Company, chemical manufacturers.

"The directors desire to put on record their deep sense of loss in the death Wednesday the 17th day of October, 1923, of Arthur L. Stark, vice president or the Company. Mr. Stark was appointed General Superintendent at Elyria on May 17th, 1898. A month later he was elected a director and in January, 1899, became one of the vice presidents of the company. He has, therefore, been an active participant in the management and the succesful development of this company's business for over twenty-five years. Throughout this entire period he has proven a most able and efficient executive in the direction of manufacturing and plant matters, and a wise counselor in the more general affairs of the company. He was ever constant in his attention to all demands of business, and to his associates a true and loved friend. The directors through their president extend to Mrs. Stark their sincere sympathy and direct that an engrossed copy of this minute be presented to her in testimony of the high regard in which Mr. Stark was held by his fellow directors."

For some years Mr. Stark had been general manager of the several chemical manufacturing plants of this company in Cleveland and Philadelphia as well as in Elyria. At Elyria he had a number of other business and civic responsibilities. He was at one time president of the Chamber of Commerce, was a member of the Sinking Fund Commission, a member of the Park Board, trustee of the Elyria Memorial Hospital and a director and member of the Finance Committee of the Lorain County Savings and Trust Company. The directors of the latter

company after his death paid Mr. Stark a tribute as "one who constantly kept before him the best interests of this bank, discharging his duties with integrity and fairness, always in a manly manner and gave to all matters submitted to him keen, careful business judgment. We extend to the bereaved widow and to the members of his family our appreciation of his character and ability and express to them our deep and sincere sympathy in the loss which they, and we, have sustained."

Mrs. Stark since his death has continued to reside in her old home at 232 East Avenue in Elyria. His brother Edgar is also a resident of Elyria, while another brother, Charles, has his home in Cincinnati.

James M. Bright, who resides in the Village of Vanlue, Hancock County, is the owner of a fine farm of 200 acres, in one body, and gives his general supervision to the operations of the farm, which is maintained in a high stage of productiveness. He is one of the progressive representatives of modern farm industry in his native county, and his well improved farm estate is situated in Amanda Township, not far distant from Vanlue.

On his father's farm in Big Lick Township, this county, James M. Bright was born July 28, 1874, a son of William and Mary A. (Jaqua) Bright, the former of whom is now living retired in the City of Findlay, and the latter of whom died in the year 1903. The father was born in Hancock County, January 15, 1836, and the mother was born in Seneca County, on the 4th of January, 1836. These dates indicate that the respective families were founded in Ohio in the pioneer days. William Bright proved a most successful exponent of farm enterprise and was long numbered among the influential citizens of Big Lick Township. He remained on his home farm until the death of his loved wife, and then removed to the county seat, where he resides in a pleasant home on West Sandusky Street, one of the venerable and honored native sons of Hancock County. Mr. Bright is a staunch democrat, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and is a member of the United Brethren Church, as was also his wife. Of the fine family of eleven children all but two are living at the time of this writing, in 1923: J. C. resides in the City of Findlay; Ella is the widow of William Cole and maintains her home at Findlay; Elizabeth is the wife of H. T. Roberts, of that city; Ida M. and her husband, A. L. Peters, reside on the old home farm of her father; Andrew J. is a resident of Findlay; Lettie is the wife of A. J. Stahl, a farmer in Marion Township; James M., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Charles C. is a resident of Homedale, Idaho; and Lawrence L. remains at the paternal home.

The old home farm continued the abiding place of James M. Bright until the time of his marriage, and in the meanwhile he gained the practical experience that fortified him for his subsequent farm operations of independent order. He profited by the advantages of the district schools and was for two years a student in the Tri-State Normal School at Angola, Indiana. He put his acquirements to practical test by becoming a teacher in the district schools, and he continued his successful work in the pedagogic profession six years, since which time he has concentrated his activities in the forwarding of agricultural and live stock industry in his native county. He has never been deflected from a line of loyal allegiance to the democratic party, and his interest in community affairs has always been constructive. He has had no ambition for public office, but has given effective service as township assessor and township trustee. He and his wife are active members of the United Brethren Church. In the time-honored Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he is affiliated also with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. Both he and his wife are members of the Grange, the Order of the Eastern Star and the Pythian Sisters. Mrs. Bright likewise received the advantage of the Tri-State Normal School, Angola, Indiana, and had been a successful and popular teacher prior to her marriage. Her maiden name was Mabel M. Anglin, and she was born and reared in Kosciusko County, Indiana. Of the seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Bright the eldest is Erman, who was graduated from the high school and who remains at the parental home; Mildred was graduated from Vanlue High School and the Ohio Normal University at Ada, and she is now a popular teacher in the public schools of Vanlue; Leone was graduated from the Vanlue High School and is now (1923) a student in Findlay College; James and Marjorie are attending the Vanlue High School; Donald is in the graded school of the home village; and Mary Ellen is the youngest member of the gracious home circle.

R. D. Turner, now serving his second term as probate judge of Hardin County, has earned high esteem and notable reputation in that section of Ohio, where for many years he was an educator, business man and public official.

Judge Turner was born on a farm in Marion Township, September 4, 1869, son of Monterville and Elizabeth (Nichols) Turner. His father was born in Auglaize Township of Allen County, Ohio, May 2, 1845, while the mother was born in Huntsville, Logan County, Ohio, April 5, 1842. The grandfather of Judge Turner was John Turner, who came to Hardin County from the vicinity of Clarksburg, West Virginia, and was a pioneer settler in this part of Ohio, securing a section of Government land. He lived here until 1868, when he moved to Allen County, and died there the next year. Monterville Turner was one of a family of six children, grew up in Hardin County, attended public schools, and his wife was one of the popular teachers of her time. Both were active members of the Baptist Church, and he was a deacon in the church and was a republican in politics. Their children were: R. D. Turner; Leila B., wife of F. L. Baker, of Freville, New York; J. E. Turner, a veterinary surgeon, living in Columbus; Lovey E., wife of E. N. Lowenan, of Ada, Ohio; and E. E. Turner, who died at the age of fifteen.

R. D. Turner grew up on his father's farm, attended the common schools, and subsequently completed his higher education in the Ohio Northern University and in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. In the meantime he taught school, and subsequently was a traveling commercial salesman until 1915, when he was first elected probate judge. In 1920 he was reelected, and has given a most careful administration to the important duties and responsibilities of his office.

Judge Turner married Bertha M. Young. They have four children: Dean, a graduate of high school, and who was in the county surveyor's office, was trained in home camps during the World war, and now lives at Wellston, Ohio; Harold is a graduate of high school; Dana E. is a graduate of high school, and is a deputy in Judge Turner's office; and Richard is in the third year of high school. Judge Turner is a member of the Methodist Church, on the Official Board, and for thirty years taught a Sunday school class. He is the worshipful master of Lodge No. 154 of the Masonic Order, belongs to Scioto Chapter No. 119, Royal Arch Masons, is a member of the Elks Lodge at Kenton, the Eastern Star Chapter, and is a republican in politics.

Floyd A. Johnston has been a lawyer engaged in general practice at Springfield for over twenty years, and in his chosen work has proved to be the possessor of sound talents, industry and other qualifications needed for success in the law.

He was born in Madison County, Ohio, September 15, 1875, son of Henry B. and Emma (Troud) Johnston. The Johnston family is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and settled in Pennsylvania in 1700. His ancestor, Henry Johnston, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and he also had other ancestors in that war, among them his great-great-grandfather Porter. His great-grandfather, William Johnston, was born in Monongahela County, Pennsylvania, and came to Ohio in 1808, settling in Madison County. His grandfather, George M. Johnston, was born in Madison County, Ohio, in 1813.

Floyd A. Johnston's mother, Emma Troud, died November 21, 1921, and was a daughter of John and Amelia (Porter) Troud. The Porters had settled in Virginia about 1621 and from that colony moved to Maryland and from there to Ohio. John Troud came from Saxony, Germany, about 1850 and settled in Madison County. Henry B. Johnston has been a farmer during his active career, a member of the Grange, but has never sought public honors. There were two children, Floyd and Cora A., the latter being the wife of Byron Snyder and the mother of three children, named Esther, Henry and Audry.

Floyd A. Johnston grew up on his father's farm, attended district schools, and took both the academic and law courses at the Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Laws degrees. He received his law degree in 1902. He was admitted to the bar by examination in December, 1901, and soon after graduating he located at Springfield, and won his early reputation at the bar in that city. For a number of years he has given much attention to the law of corporations and contracts.

During the World war Mr. Johnston was a member of the Legal Advisory Board, and in January, 1920, was made United States commissioner. He has served on the board of sinking fund trustees for Springfield, is a democrat in politics, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner, and a member of the American Mechanics, Junior Order of Knights of Pythias, and the Springfield Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Johnston married, June 14, 1901, Miss Mabel Gore, of Newton Falls, Ohio, daughter of M. R. and Myra (Fowler) Gore, both deceased. Her father was a dentist, and died in 1919, being affiliated with the Masonic order and Knights of Pythias. Mrs. Johnston has a sister, Vanchie, who married Frank E. Mattes, and they have two children, Milton and Mildred. The two children of Mr. Johnston are Myra E. and Robert F., who are both attending school.

William Frederic Garver is a native son of Holmes County, in his early life was a well-known teacher, and for a quarter of a century has been engaged in the practice of law at Millersburg. He was born on a farm near Killbuck, in Holmes County, September 17, 1864, son of William C. and Anna B. (Frey) Garver. His father was born in Maryland, in 1824, son of Christian and Elizabeth (Hinkle) Garver, and the Garvers were an old family in Maryland. The father of Christian Garver was killed in the battle of Monmouth during the Revolutionary war. Christion Garver served as a soldier in the War of 1812. The mother of the Millersburg attorney was born in Germany in 1825, and in 1837 was brought with her mother and other children to the United States, the family locating in Coshocton County, Ohio. She was married to William C. Garver, and subsequently they settled in Holmes County, west of Killbuck. William C. Garver died in 1906, and his wife passed away in 1889. Each had been married previously, and the children of her own marriage were three in number, one son and two daughters. William C. Garver was a democrat in politics, and he and his wife were members of the Methodist Church.

William Frederic Garver was reared on a farm, attended country school, and subsequently continued his education in the Millersburg Normal School and the Ohio Northern University at Ada. When he was only fifteen years of age he taught his first term of school. After that he continued teaching through fourteen winter terms, mostly in country districts, but did his last work as an educator as principal of the schools at Berlin, Ohio. In the meantime he studied law with Judge W. S. Hanna, of Millersburg, completing his legal education with six months in the Ohio State University. On March 12, 1896, he was admitted to the bar, and his work as a lawyer has been continuous since that date at Millersburg.

Mr. Garver is a democrat. He was for seven years school examiner, for six years prosecuting attorney, and for five years a member of the village council. Over the state at large he is best known through his service in both houses of the Legislature. He was a member of the House of Representatives from 1915 to 1919. In 1922 he was elected a member of the State Senate, representing the Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth and Twenty-eighth districts. During his first term in the House he was secretary of the judiciary committee, and in the second term was chairman. In the Senate he became minority floor leader, and has had a conservative and influential part in some of the modern legislation. He was largely responsible for the passage of a bill giving justices of the peace final jurisdiction in peace warrant cases and permitting justices to serve summonses in adjoining counties; also a bill giving the widow or widower, whose children all died after the death of husband or wife, the same inheritance in the deceased husband or wife's property as each would have had if no children had been born; and another bill providing for the better administration of the school lands of the state, which has already brought into the state treasury at least $500,000 more than the old law would have brought. On November 4, 1924, he was reelected to the State Senate and again chosen floor leader.

Mr. Garver is a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is active in the Methodist Church and for five years was superintendent of the Sunday school.

He married in 1888 Miss Florence Patterson, who died in 1892, leaving a daughter, Elfie, now Mrs. Guy Pyers. In 1897 Mr. Garver married Miss Lulu McCulloch.

Wylie M. Jackson, manager of the Farmers' Elevator at Holgate, has himself been a factor in the agricultural and business life of this section of Ohio since early manhood, and is a son of one of the most remarkably successful farmers of that rich and prosperous district of the great Maumee Valley known as Henry County.

His father is Willis Jackson, proprietor of the beautiful Maple Lodge farm and homestead in Harrison Township. The Jackson family is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and the founder of the branch in Ohio was Joseph Jackson, who was born in Pennsylvania, about 1794, and was a pioneer settler in Seneca County, Ohio, acquiring Government land. His son, Noah Jackson, born in Pennsylvania, in 1820, was

reared in Seneca County, Ohio, and about 1848 secured a tract of land in Harrison Township, Henry County. This farm was covered with woods and brush, and the first improvement was a log cabin, and it was due to the many years of thrift and industry of Noah Jackson that a high producing farm was made and a substantial residence and other improvements supplied. Noah Jackson died at the old homestead in 1889. He was a staunch republican in politics. His wife, Mary Shively, was born in 1822 and died in 1900.

Willis Jackson was born at the old homestead in Harrison Township, September 15, 1856, and still owns and occpuies Maple Lodge, the name of this country home. His farm contains about 200 acres, including some of the black alluvial soil for which Henry County is famous. He is a republican, a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Methodist Church. Willis Jackson married Jennie Hoppes, who was born in Seneca County, April 29, 1858, and was nine years of age when her parents, August and Lydia (Gooding) Hoppes, settled in Seneca County. Willis Jackson and wife became the parents of six children: Wylie M.; Dick C., a farmer at the old homestead; Bessie, who died when nine years of age; Della, who married Walter Warner, and is now deceased; Mary, wife of Burt Richard; and Atlee, an electrical engineer by profession, now engaged in farming and dairying near Napoleon.

Wylie M. Jackson was born at Grelton in Henry County, February 22, 1881, and was reared on his father's farm. He attended the public schools, also the Tri-State Normal College at Angola, Indiana, and the Davis Business College. In 1915 he became manager of the Farmers' Elevator at Holgate, and his thorough business ability and his wide acquaintance among the farmers and grain producers of this section have had much to do with the continued prosperity of the elevator company.

Mr. Jackson married Miss Virginia Underwood, of Caledonia, Ohio, a graduate of high school. They have three children, Willis E., Nelda E., and James M. Mrs. Jackson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with Holgate Lodge No. 552, Free and Accepted Masons; Holly Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar, and the Scottish Rite Consistory of the Valley of Toledo. A republican in politics, he has served as a member of the village council.

ELMER MCCLAIN, a lawyer, of Lima, is of Scotch, Swiss and Dutch ancestry. The Highland Scottish Clan of MacQuillean (''Sons of Saint John'') inhabited the Isle of Mull off the West Coast of Scotland. The founder of the Clan was ''Robert of the Battle Axe,'' who lived about 1250 A. D. This Clan supported Robert Bruce and the Stuarts during the long, bitter conflicts between Scotland and England.

Mr. McClain's grandparents were all pioneers of Northwestern Ohio. During the summer of 1828 James McDonel came northward through Western Ohio seeking out a promising place for settlement. On the way he stopped at Piqua Town, which was then the seat of the United States District Land Office. There, according to cherished family tradition, the pioneer made the acquaintance of a Shawnee Indian Chief who volunteered to show him a desirable location and conducted him to a tract which now comprises the central part of the city of Lima and advised him to enter it. McDonel Addition and McDonel Street in Lima were named for this pioneer. Nancy Ann McDonel, Mr. McClain's paternal grandmother, was born in the family homestead on this tract. The well which James McDonel dug in his dooryard is the oldest well in the city and is now enclosed in a large building erected on the site of the homestead at the northwest corner of Market and McDonel streets. David McClain, Elmer McClain's paternal grandfather, was reared on a farm just north of Lima, which was entered by David's father, James McClain, in 1834. David's grandfather, Robert McClain, was an immigrant from the north of Ireland.

Elmer McClain's maternal great-grandfather was John Casper Zurmehly, a member of the Swiss landed gentry who was disinherited for marrying Susanna Schafner, a peasant girl. Shortly after the Napoleonic wars the couple immigrated from Schingnach, Province of Argan, Switzerland. After a sea voyage of three months' duration they landed at Philadelphia, where they bound themselves out for three years and six months to pay their passage money, which amounted to $117.10. For three years they served their master, William Thompson, of Thompsontown, Pennsylvania, who then cancelled the contract and gave them the use of a cow for the winter as a reward for their faithful service. The son of these Swiss immigrants, Samuel Zurmehly, married Catherine Book and settled upon a farm southwest of Lima, which is now occupied by industrial plants.

Elmer McClain is the son of Lonzo McClain and Ida Bells Zurmehly and was born in Shawnee Township, Allen County, Ohio, October 26, 1883, on the farm which he has christened Runnymede and which he now occupies as his home. He attended the country schools, Lima High School, Ohio Northern University, Adelbert College, Oberlin College, and graduated from the University of Chicago in 1909. While pursuing studies in these institutions he was, as his finances required, from time to time farm laborer, carpenter, janitor, solicitor and teacher. During the four years of college work he remained at home one year in the absence of his brother Howard at Ohio State University and was for two years principal of the high school at West Newton, Indiana. This high school was commissioned by the state as a first class high school during his principalship. He studied law for three years at the Law School of Western Reserve University, where he was assistant law librarian. He was an honor man of his law class and was made a member of the Order of the Coif, an honorary law fraternity. Since 1912 he has practiced law in Lima except for nearly two years of military service in the World war, in which he volunteered for training in May, 1917. He served in the Army Transport Service as first lieutenant and was transport quartermaster on two freight ships, the Wabash and the Coronodo, plying between the United States and France. In 1908 he married Miss Rebecca Lonsford, who was the daughter of Mrs. Myrtle Elizabeth Harrod. Her father, Reuben Lonsford, died when she was four years old. She was a victim of the epidemic of influenza in December, 1918, at Passaic, New Jersey, while her husband was on duty with his ship in France. A son, Robert, was born in 1911.

Elmer McClain was one of the founders of the progressive party in Ohio in 1911. He managed the campaign in Northwestern Ohio for the adoption of the progressive provisions of the 1912 State Constitution of Ohio. He was director of public service of Lima during 1920 and 1921, doing much to prepare the way for the succeeding commission manager form of city government. He was a member of the ''Committee of 200'' which espoused the adoption of that form of city government. In 1920 he married Miss Mildred Jacobs, the daughter of S. R. and Cora L. Jacobs, of Elida. They have one daughter, Marguerite Marie, born in 1921.

THOMAS A. JENKINS, of Ironton, Lawrence County, is the present (1924) representative of the Seventh and Eighth District of Ohio in the State

Senate, to which office he was elected in the autumn of 1922. In the fall election of 1924 he was nominated and elected to Congress as a representative from the Tenth Ohio Congressional District, receiving the largest vote ever given any congressman in the history of this district. He will assume his congressional duties on March 4, 1925. Mr. Jenkins previously served four years as prosecuting attorney of Lawrence County, his term in this position expiring in 1920, and for ten years he was United States commissioner for Lawrence County. Mr. Jenkins is not only one of the representative members of the Lawrence County bar and a prominent figure in the political affairs of this part of the state, but he is also interested in various business enterprises in his home city, he being here a director of the Home Building & Loan Association and also of the Standard Lumber Company. He holds membership in the Lawrence County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. His political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is an active member of the Ironton Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias, the Improved Order of Red Men and the Knights of the Golden Eagle, in which last mentioned fraternity he is the supreme officer of its national organization in the United States. His continued and constructive interest in farm industry is indicated in his affiliation with the Grange. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Thomas A. Jenkins was born in Jackson County, Ohio, October 28, 1880, and is a son of Samuel E. and Ann (Harris) Jenkins, who were born and reared in Wales, where their marriage was solemnized and where they continued to reside until 1870, when, with their four children, they came to the United States and made settlement in Jackson County, Ohio. Samuel E. Jenkins had been identified with mining operations in his native land, and after coming to Ohio he was for a number of years identified with coal mining, but the major occupation which he here followed was that of farming, in which he gained some measure of success and with which he continued his allegiance until his death. He was a loyal citizen who took specially deep interest in educational affairs in his community, and he was a deacon in the Congregational Church. Of the fine family of thirteen children Senator Jenkins, of this review, was the eleventh in order of birth, all but the first four of the number having been born in the United States.

Reared on the home farm and afforded the advantages of the district schools, Thomas A. Jenkins thereafter completed a course in the high school at Oak Hill, in which he was graduated when seventeen years of age. He put his acquirements to practical test in four years of successful service as a teacher in the district schools and two years as a high school instructor. In preparation for his chosen profession he entered the law department of Ohio State University, his graduation in which was as a member of the class of 1907, his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws being forthwith followed by his admission to the bar of his native state and the initiation of active practice in the City of Ironton. Here he has long controlled a large and representative law business, and of his admirable service in public offices adequate mention has been made in the initial paragraph of this review. In the World war period Mr. Jenkins was instant in patriotic service, he having been one of the four-minute men whose speeches aided in the furtherance of the local campaigns in support of the governmental war loans, as well as Red Cross service and other patriotic agencies. He was a member of the War Administration Board of Lawrence County, and made a determined but fruitless effort to enter active overseas service with the American Expeditionary Forces.

January 19, 1909, at Oak Hill, Jackson County, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Jenkins and Miss Mabel Wynne, daughter of the late David Wynne, who was a prominent banker and influential citizen of Jackson County. His widow, Mrs. Mary (Jones) Wynne, resides with her daughter, Mrs. Jenkins. Senator and Mrs. Jenkins have no children.

Edward D. Bailey was in the railroad business for a number of years, but, like many others, eventually returned to the occupation of his early youth and has found permanent satisfaction in the life and career of a farmer. His home is in Clermont County, near the Ohio River at Bethel. Before coming to Ohio he was a farmer in Maryland.

He was born near Hagerstown, in that state, January 24, 1869, son of William H. and Sarah Bailey. His father spent his life on a Maryland farm. Edward D. Bailey was educated in the public schools in Maryland, including the high school at Hagerstown, and when he left the farm he entered the service of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company, for a time as section foreman, then as station agent, and following the completion of a course in the telegraph school at Vicksburg, became also a telegraph operator. For a number of years he was with the Baltimore & Ohio in different capacities and at different stations. Resigning, he went out to California, and for a number of years was employed in the service of the Southern Pacific Railway.

Seeing no future in railroad work, and tiring of its monotony, Mr. Bailey eventually returned to Maryland and took charge of his father's farm near Hagerstown. Both parents died soon afterwards, and as their only child, he fell heir to the homestead. Its care and management furnished him his business until 1918, when, selling his Maryland property, he came to Ohio. The first year was spent in Hamilton County, after which he moved to Clermont County and bought 200 acres in Washington Township. His time and energy have been fully taken up with improving this land and making it into a profitable farm.

Mr. Bailey is one of the popular and influential citizens of the county. He is active in the Grange, member of the Masonic Lodge and Baptist Church and is a republican. He married at Los Angeles, California, in 1890, Miss Bettie Simms, daughter of Louis and Bettie Simms. Her father at the time of his death was a traveling salesman. Mrs. Bailey was educated in schools in Los Angeles. She is a member of the Baptist Church.

R. Emil Sumney. At Steubenville, Ohio, coal interests are very important factors in the business world, and with competition keen, the responsibility of able management of large coal properties is one of business concern. One of the experienced coal men of this city who has been more or less identified with this line of work since he left school is R. Emil Sumney, manager for the Bernice Coal Company, handling the output of the Bernice Coal Mine, a valuable property owner by S. W. Scott, a capitalist of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Sumney was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, April 29, 1886, the youngest born in a large family, according to present day standards, all of whom survive and are well placed in life. His parents were Isaac and Elizabeth (Foster) Sumney. His father was probably born in Washington County, and was a son of David and Nancy Sumney. Two of his brothers served in the Union army during the Civil war, one as a physician and surgeon, and the other in the ranks. Isaac Sumney was a shoemaker

by trade, but was practically retired at the time of his death, May 31, 1912. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and a trustee of the same. He married Elizabeth Foster, who still survives, a daughter of Benjamin Foster, and they had the following children: Frank F., who married Elizabeth Lawson and they had three children, Weir, Janet and Ruth; Grace, who married S. H. Wolf, and they had two children, Grace and Lloyd; Alice, who married B. H. Cannon, and they had three children, Albert, Thomas and Betty; Gertrude, who is the wife of S. W. Scott, and they have three children, Bernice, Samuel and Betty; Harriet, who is the wife of B. Gamble; and R. Emil.

R. Emil Sumney was educated in the public schools of Washington County, had one year in high school, then went to work for the Ellsworth Collieries Company at Ellsworth, Pennsylvania, and for five years was assistant purchasing agent for that company. From there he went, in the same capacity, to the Union Coal and Coke Company at Marianna, Pennsylvania, and upon leaving there, became assistant purchasing agent for two years for the B. J. Du Val Hardware Company, in all these big business enterprises, proving equal to every responsibility placed upon him. In 1923 he came to the Bernice Coal Company at Steubenville as manager.

In Washington County, in April, 1913, Mr. Sumney married Miss Anna M. Smiley, a daughter of James and Jennie Smiley. The brothers and sisters of Mrs. Sumney were: Cora, who married W. L. Reed, and they had three children; Byron; John, who married Blanch Singer, and they had two children; Chalmers; Robert, who married Blanch Deens, and they had four children; Russell, who married Garnet Greenly, and they had two children; Alvin, who married Zelda Timley, and they had one child; and Joseph who is married and has children. The mother of the above family is living, but the father died in 1910. He was a well known farmer in Washington County.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumney have two children: Herbert Allen and Raymond Emil. Mr. Sumney and his family belong to the Fairview Presbyterian Church in Washington County. He has never been very active in politics, but has been a recognized good citizen wherever he has lived. During the World war he was registered but never called into service.

J. T. Miller, present county auditor of Defiance County, has lived all his life in that county, and has been a successful farmer and leader in the agricultural movement.

He was born on a farm in Milford Township, June 11, 1869, son of Henry and Mary (Strols) Miller. His father was a native of Virginia, and on coming North first settled in DeKalb County, Indiana. He took up the ministry of the Methodist Church, but later engaged in merchandising. He moved to Edgerton, Ohio, and in 1866 located at Defiance, where he followed farming and died May 10, 1870. His wife was a native of DeKalb County, Indiana, and was widely known as a successful school teacher both in Indiana and Ohio. She taught a total of sixty-four terms of school. There were three children: Esilla, wife of Joseph Back, of Henry County, Ohio; David, of Madison, Wisconsin; and J. T. Miller.

J. T. Miller was only an infant when his father died. He grew up on a farm, attended the common schools, and completed a normal and business course at Fayette, Ohio. He then engaged in farming, and in connection with farming his place in Milford Township he built up an extensive business as a hay and grain shipper.

Mr. Miller married Miss Nora Fitzcharles, who was also born in Milford Township of Defiance County. They have four children: Welty, a graduate of high school; Thurlow, who was a soldier in the World war and is now a farmer in Trumbull County, Ohio; Mary, who attended high school and it at home; and Lawrence, who is married, and is a farmer of Trumbull County, Ohio.

Mr. Miller is affiliated with the Edgerton Lodge of Masons and Defiance Lodge of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He has always been active in democratic politics. He was at first appointed county auditor to finish out the term of Roger Doe. In the fall of 1918 he was elected for a regular two-year term, and the term was extended a year and five months. In 1922 he was reelected for a four year term, and his present service in the court house expires in March, 1927. Mr. Miller is a member of the Farm Bureau of Defiance County. His first wife died in 1910 and he subsequently married Blanche Tanner Buck, of Logansport, Indiana, and a native of Union County, Ohio.

Charles Burton King, vice president and general manager of the Marion Steam Shovel Company, is one of the forceful industrial leaders in Northern Ohio. He has an international reputation as a mechanical engineer. Mr. King was inventor of the first shovel for excavation purposes, each movement of which is separately and independently electrically operated and controlled.

Representing one of the pioneer families of Ohio, and born at what was then known as Kings Mills in Richland Township of Marion County, he is a grandson of Titus King. Titus King, of English descent, was born November 24, 1793, near Rutland, Vermont, and at the age of fourteen was an apprentice in a woolen factory, finishing the trade at the age of twenty-one. After a short time of employment near Rutland he came in a one-horse wagon overland to Ohio in 1817, settling at Lancaster, where he built a water power woolen mill. This burning down, he moved to the town of Delaware, where he established a mill in partnership with Mr. Allen. His interests in this were sold in 1830, at which time he came to Richland Township, Marion County, investing in eighty acres of virgin forest land on the Whetstone River including a splendid water power site for a mill. At this site he built a sawmill and woolen mill known as King's Mill. His sawmill converted into lumber great quantities of the black walnut logs, then part of the native forest, and many of the earlier homes in Marion were made from timber sawed at King's Mill. Titus King married Margaret Storm on September 11, 1822. She was born at Delaware, Ohio, June 17, 1806, her father being one of the first settlers of Delaware County. She died at the age of fifty-nine.

George Theodore King, father of the Marion Industrial leader, was born in a cabin in the old mill yard fo King's Mill, March 4, 1832, and reached the age of fifty-one, having spent his active career in operation of the mill and the farm established by his father. On April 7, 1853, he married Margaret Barnhart, who died at the age of sixty-eight. Her father, Martin Barnhart, was born January 11, 1794, at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and from 1851 to 1857 was a commissioner of Marion County.

Charles Burton King was born in Marion County, January 25, 1875. Living during his boyhood in a somewhat remote rural district, his higher educational opportunities were limited to the scope of his own ambitions and efforts. Before attaining his majority he attended as a student for three years the Ohio Wesleyan University. Early manifesting a talent for mechanical work, his ambition was naturally directed toward a career as a mechanical engineer. When twenty years old, in 1895, he went to work for the Marion Steam Shovel Company, beginning in the shops.

While his brother, George W. King, was president of the company, the younger brother was obliged to earn his own promotion without official interference. Those were busy years, involving toil during the day and study at night, as a result of which he completed a correspondence college course in mechanical engineering. He remained in the routine work of the shops for eighteen months, after which he was assigned duties in the field construction, consisting of the erection of excavating machinery and supervision of operation. At periods between these duties he would return to work in the shops. From the shops eventually he was transferred to the engineering department, and more and more of his time was given to this department until after 1902 it absorbed practically all of his attention.

The great value of his service to the Marion Steam Shovel Company has been his work as an experimental engineer. In 1902 he designed what is known as their Model 60, which gained a world-wide reputation, particularly through its use in different sections of the Panama Canal. This model marked a new epoch in the manufacture of steam shovels, and represented the second epoch or phase of progress in the machinery made by the Marion Steam Shovel Company. He has also designed many systems of labor saving facilities for use in the shops.

Perhaps the most distinctive achievement associated with the name of Charles Burton King was the designing of the first perfected electrically driven shovel. The point of superiority of this shovel is that in operation it possesses the same elasticity found in the steam driven machine, while obviously it has many features of superior advantage and mobility over any of the older types of steam shovel. Mr. King has also designed many other machines contributing toward the revolution of excavating methods and labor saving devices.

Mr. King became a director in the Marion Steam Shovel Company, February 12, 1909, was made chief engineer, January 11, 1910, assistant general manager, January 13, 1914, vice president and assistant general manager, January 15, 1914, and vice president and general manager, January 23, 1917. He is financially interested in a number of Marion industries, being a director of the Marion Packing Company, a stockholder in the Marion Stockyards and the National City Bank & Trust Company; also a stockholder in the Sunlight & Ohio Valley Coal Company of Indiana. Mr. King is also a director of the Marion Chamber of Commerce, president of the local Employers Association, director of the Ohio Manufacturers Association; also a member of the National Association of Manufacturers and Chairman of one of the important committees of this organization.

Mindful of the difficulties which beset him in his boyhood in acquiring a technical education, Mr. King some years ago established an industrial school for the benefit of employes who are especially ambitious. He was the prime mover and is president of the organization that built and is now operating the Harding Hotel, a one hundred and fifty room model hostelry in Marion. Just after the close of the World war he served on the reconstruction committee of the National Association of Manufacturers, and in 1923 represented the Marion Chamber of Commerce at the National Chamber of Commerce. He was appointed general chairman of the committee to raise funds from the industrial interests in Marion County, and became one of the incorporators of the Harding Memorial Association, being a member of its executive committee and board of trustees. Mr. King is a former president of the Marion Club, member of the Marion Country Club, the Rotary Club, and is a York and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He belongs to the Columbus Athletic Association and is former president and organizer and still active in the Central Ohio Manufacturers' Association. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and has written and contributed many papers on problems in mechanics and industry. During the World war he acted as the fuel commissioner of the Third District under the United States Fuel Commission. Mr. King is a member of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, is a republican, and a member of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church. His recreations are golf, fishing and hunting. Mr. King married, November 30, 1898, Miss Ethel Liggett, of Chicago.

Guy E. Kersh is a native of Putnam County, is one of the popular citizens and business men of Ottawa, and has built up the largest general insurance agency in the county.

He was born on a farm in Blanchard Township, October 18, 1894, son of William A. and Clarinda Kersh, his father a native of Seneca County and his mother of Putnam County. They were reared and educated in Putnam County, and after their marriage settled on a farm in Ottawa Township and subsequently bought a farm in Blanchard Township. William A. Kersh became a prosperous farmer, but for some years has lived at Mishawaka, Indiana, where he is doing church evangelistic work. There were six children: Oril A., of Ottawa; Elizabeth, widow of Melvin Buckland; Roy, a farmer on the old homestead; Ralph C., connected with the Studebaker Motor Company at South Bend; Mabel, wife of Clyde Frantz, of Gilboa, Ohio; and Guy E.

Guy E. Kersh grew up on the old farm in Blanchard Township, but after the age of eleven moved to Ottawa and attended the public schools of Ottawa. He is a graduate of the Ottawa High School and of the Ottawa Business College, and prior to taking his business course, clerked in the Ottawa Postoffice. For several years he was a stenographer in a law office, and in the meantime, in 1916, began writing insurance and since January, 1918, has been in the insurance business for himself. The insurance agency occupies an office on the ground floor in a building two doors east of the postoffice.

On July 15, 1916, Mr. Kersh married Theo Z. Hall, a graduate of the Ottawa High School and Ottawa Business College, and for three years before her marriage bookkeeper in the Ottawa Gazette office. They had three children: Martha Jane, born in 1917; Gerald E., born in 1922 and died in 1923, and Rosemary, born in 1923 and died in the same year. Mr. Kersh and family are members of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church of Ottawa, and he is one of the church trustees. He is a past master of Ottawa Lodge No. 325, Free and Accepted Masons, is a past high priest of Ottawa Chapter No. 115, Royal Arch Masons; thrice illustrious master of Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters, and is a member of the Ottawa Chapter No. 28 of the Order of the Eastern Star of which Mrs. Kersh is a past worthy matron. He is also affiliated with Blanchard Lodge No. 284, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. For two years he held the office of justice of the peace in Ottawa Township. He has a commission as first lieutenant in the Ohio National Guard, assigned to Wagon Company 123, Thirty-seventh Division Train, Quartermaster Corps, Ottawa, Ohio.

Frazer E. Wilson, local historian of Greenville and Darke County, was born at Ansonia (then Dallas), Darke County, Ohio, September 10, 1871, and is the son of Augustus N. and Sarah C. (Niswonger) Wilson. From the best data at hand it seems that this branch of the Wilson family is of Quaker origin, tracing descent from one Steven Wilson, a carpenter of Cumberland County, England, who came over about 1688, A. D., and settled in the original Quaker com-

munity in the valley of the Delaware River near Trenton, New Jersey. His certificate from the Friends in England is recorded in full on the records of the Chesterfield monthly meeting in the southern part of Trenton. Steven soon crossed to the west side of the Delaware and settled in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, near Philadelphia, where he was employed in erecting Quaker meeting houses. Here he married one Sarah Baker, the daughter of an influential Quaker family. He soon became firmly established in this community and served in the Provincial Assembly. Here the family remained for several generations with varying fortunes until about 1820 when one Thomas Wilson, then a young unmarried man, left for the budding state of Ohio, walking from Philadelphia to Zanesville, Ohio. Later he conducted a flatboat load of goods down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers to New Orleans, and walked back to Cincinnati, Ohio. Thomas finally settled in Preble County, where he married Elizabeth Leas, the daughter of a prosperous pioneer farmer.

Augustus N. Wilson was the sixth son of this union, being born in 1842. He served nearly four years in Company E, Sixty-ninth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and participated in Sherman's march to the sea. After teaching for a short time in rural schools he followed the bent of his natural inclinations and engaged in mercantile pursuits in a small way with two of his brothers. In 1873 he came to Greenville, Ohio, and soon made valuable connections with practical business men who helped him to build up a prosperous business in dry goods and carpets. In 1880 his firm completed the commodious three-story brick business room on Broadway, near Third Street, which has since continued to be one of the best trading centers in the county seat. Besides conducting an active and prosperous business Mr. Wilson raised a family of seven children and served in various official capacities, notably as a member of the City Board of Education, president of the Board of Trustees of the Dayton State Hospital and mayor of Greenville. He was active both physically and mentally, and for thirty years never missed his annual fall hunting trip to the wilds of various states. He died in 1923, commanding the respect of the community for his active and useful life.

Frazer E. Wilson, third in a family of seven surviving children, was educated in the public schools of Greenville and was graduated from high school in 1893. He later attended Ohio Wesleyan University and Oberlin College. In 1892 he became a member of the firm of A. N. Wilson & Sons, and has given some thirty years to this business, which, since 1920, has been reorganized and conducted as a corporation, known as the Economy Store Company, of which he is now president.

While in high school Mr. Wilson manifested great interest in the study of natural science, particularly geology and related subjects, and later developed a strong liking for the study of ethnology, archaeology and local history. In 1894 he compiled a book dealing with the military campaigns of St. Clair and Wayne in the wilds of the old Northwest Territory and the resulting treaty of Greenville. This book, which he later revised under the title "The Peace of Mad Anthony," received high commendation as a literary production and was placed in many of the best city and university libraries of the country. In 1914 Mr. Wilson compiled a comprehensive history of Darke County, which is recognized as a standard of authority in his community and state. Mr. Wilson was one of the founders of the public museum in 1901 and has served on the Board of Curators since that time. He was a charter member of the Greenville Historical Society and is now its secretary. In recognition of his contributions to local history and various historical articles published in the Quarterly, he was made a life member of the Ohio Archæological and Historical Society in 1907. Although not a politician, in the common conception of that term, he has served as city treasurer, clerk of the City Board of Education, and is now president of the City Council, being elected on the republican ticket in a democratic community. Socially he is a member of the local Kiwanis Club, and has served as chairman of its civic affairs committee. In spite of these various activities Mr. Wilson is vitally interested in church life. Although raised in a liberal atmosphere and being inclined to a broad interpretation of the Scriptures, Mr. Wilson has been actively associated with church work for nearly thirty years. Through marriage he became connected with the Reformed Church, and has served in various offices in the church, being now an elder, superintendent of the Bible School and teacher of the Men's Class. Church history and theological subjects are subjects of intense interest to him.

Mr. Wilson married at Greenville, Ohio, June 7, 1904, Miss Pearle Larimer, oldest daughter of John Wright and Caroline (Mowen) Larimer. The Larimer family is of Scotch-Irish descent. Isaac Larimer, Mrs. Wilson's great-grandfather, settled in Fairfield County, Ohio, with the pioneers. Enlisting for the War of 1812, he served as an ensign in Captain George Sanderson's Company of Ohio Militia. He was taken prisoner at the capture of Detroit but was allowed to retain his sword, which is still in the possession of the family. His son Isaac, born in 1808, represented his district in the Ohio Legislature for two terms. He married October 9, 1838, Margaret Ray. Their son, John Wright Larimer, father of Mrs. Wilson, was born near Lexington, Perry County, Ohio, June 24, 1846. He was a soldier in the Civil war, serving in Company B, Seventeenth Ohio Infantry, and participated in Sherman's march to the sea. In 1865 he settled in Darke County, and on November 12, 1872, married Miss Margaret Mowen, daughter of David and Sarah (Hartle) Mowen. Mrs. Wilson was the first child of her parents and was born September 8, 1873. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wilson have three children: John Larimer, born October 13, 1905, now a student in Ohio State University; Wayne Alden, born November 29, 1908, now a student in the Greenville High School; and Miriam, born March 30, 1912, now a pupil in the seventh grade of the Greenville schools.

William Frederick Maag. If anyone is entitled to a veteran's distinction in Ohio Journalism it is William Frederick Maag, deceased, who rounded out a half century of service to the newspaper profession and business at Youngstown. For many years Mr. Maag was the publisher of the Youngstown Vindicator. The Vindicator was established in 1869, half a dozen years before Mr. Maag arrived in Youngstown. It has survived its early day struggles and for more than half a century has continued publication without change of name or merger or consolidation. The Vindicator is a real institution among Ohio newspapers, and its influence has always been greater than the interest it nominally represents. It has been the organ of the minority democratic party.

William F. Maag was born in Ebingen, Wurttemberg, Germany, February, 28, 1850, son of Johannes and Catherine Maag. He acquired a common school education, at the age of fourteen began a four years apprenticeship at the printing trade, when seventeen he came to the United States, and from that time until his death gave an uninterrupted service as printer or publisher. He worked on the Daily Herald at Milwaukee, on a newspaper at Watertown, Wisconsin, spent four years with the Indiana Staats Zeitung at Fort Wayne, and in 1875 arrived in Youngstown.

He bought in that year a German language newspaper that had been established in 1874, the Weekly Rundschau. This periodical he continued in connection with his other periodicals until 1917, when it was discontinued.

In December, 1887, Mr. Maag attended a Court sale of the plant of the Youngstown Vindicator. The building in which the Vindicator had been published was visited by fire, and the continued destiny of the Vindicator, which had survived nearly twenty years of checkered fashion, lay in the hands of William F. Maag entirely, who happened to be present at the time of the public sale and was the only bidder for the property, though he had not come there for that purpose and he had to secure financial backing to re-establish the Vindicator. A stock company was organized in 1888 to assume ownership, the organization being completed in September, 1889, when the Vindicator Printing Company took control, with John M. Webb, a veteran newspaper man, as president, W. M. Wilson as vice president, John H. Clarke as secretary and William F. Maag as treasurer and general manager. A few weeks later the Vindicator became a daily, and it has been published continuously for thirty-five years. Mr. Webb died in 1893, and with the withdrawal of other early members Mr. Maag for a number of years continued as the responsible manager and publisher of the paper.

Mr. Maag also had a considerable influence in politics and civic affairs. He was elected on the democratic ticket to the State Legislature in 1901, and during the following session was a member of the committee on railroads and public printing. In 1912 he was presidential elector during Wilson's first campaign. At the time of the World war he was a member of the original draft board number one at Youngstown, and personally and through the Vindicator he exerted a sound and effective influence in behalf of the government and at all times kept the Vindicator up to the highest standards of civic loyalty, clean politics and community welfare. Mr. Maag was a trustee of the Glenwood Children's Home from the time of its organization. He was treasurer of the Arc Engraving Company. He was a Knight Templar and Thirty-second Degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

He married at Fort Wayne, Indiana, Miss Elizabeth DuCasse, of Watertown, Wisconsin. She died in 1909, the mother of six children. Three of them died when young: Eda Irene, Mathilda and Carl. The three surviving children are: Alma, wife of William O. Brown, manager of the Vindicator; William F., Jr., editor of the Vindicator; and Arthur DuCasse, editor of the Sunday Vindicator.

Herbert R. Harrington. The First National Bank of Logan was organized in 1863, soon after the National Banking Act was passed. It is one of the old and substantial financial institutions of Southeastern Ohio. For more than half of its existence it has enjoyed the able services of Herbert R. Harrington, who in 1892 went to work in the bank as bookkeeper. He was promoted to cashier, vice president and since January 1, 1923, has been president.

Mr. Harrington was born January 14, 1870, and is a member of a prominent family. Two of his brothers have earned high distinction in the field of journalism, and their names appear in the American Who's Who. His parents were Frank and Margaret (Walker) Harrington. Mrs. Margaret Harrington now resides at Columbus, at the age of seventy-five. Frank Harrington, who died in 1917, at the age of eighty-five, was for many years a druggist in Logan and was a director of the First National Bank. He was a native of Lorain, Ohio, moved from this state to Michigan, and then to Missouri, and on leaving that state located at Logan, Ohio. He was in Missouri during the Civil war time, and served as a Union soldier with a regiment of Missouri cavalry. He also enrolled as a republican voter in Missouri at a time when it required real courage to declare for that party. He was appointed and served as postmaster of Plattsburg, the county seat of Clinton County, Missouri. He was an elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Logan and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In the family were five sons and one daughter. John W., the oldest son, was born at Plattsburg, Missouri, in 1868, and has been engaged in newspaper work since 1890, having been connected with the Cleveland Leader and later the New York Tribune, and for many years with the New York Herald. He is author of a number of juvenile books and magazine articles. His home is in New York City. The son Marshall Harrington is a Presbyterian minister at Trenton, New Jersey. Harry Franklin Harrington, who was born at Logan in 1882, is a graduate of Columbia University, and began his newspaper work with the Ohio State Journal at Columbus, was a member of the faculty at Ohio State University and has been a professor of journalism in several institutions, including the University of Kansas, and since 1921 has been director of the Medill School of Journalism of Northwestern University at Chicago. The fourth son, E. W. Harrington, is a druggist at Columbus. The daughter, Evaline, is a teacher in Columbus schools.

Herbert R. Harrington was educated in Ohio, attending Wooster University, and graduated with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree at Cornell University in 1892. Soon after leaving the university he entered the service of the First National Bank. Mr. Harrington has used his influence effectively as a public spirited citizen in Logan. He has served as president of the school board, as library trustee, and during the World war was a participant in all patriotic activities, being chairman of Liberty Loan drives in the county. He is an elder in the Presbyterian Church, superintendent of the Sunday School, is a Royal Arch Mason and member of the Grotto, a Knight of Pythias and a republican in politics.

He married Miss Jeanette Truesdell, daughter of R. B. Truesdell, of Binghamton, New York. They have three children. The son, Roland B., is with the Empire Oil and Gas Company at Okmulgee, Oklahoma. The daughter Margaret W. is the wife of E. R. Raymond, who is county farm agent at Newark, Ohio. The youngest child, Jeanette T., is attending the high school at Logan.

John W. Crooks, whose death occurred in June, 1924, was the vice president of the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company, a notable organization sketched on other pages. Mr. Crooks had been identified with the insurance business in Ohio for over twenty years, his work making him well known throughout the state.

He was born in Noble County, Ohio, October 25, 1872, one of the eight children of Rev. Nathan and Nancy E. (Clark) Crooks. His mother was born and reared in Morgan County, Ohio, where her people were early settlers. His grandfather, John Crooks, was born in Noble County, of Pennsylvania ancestry. Rev. Nathan Crooks, also a native of Noble County, was a Baptist minister, and served his church in his native county and vicinity for many years.

John W. Crooks was liberally educated, graduating from Marietta College in 1897. His early experience was in the newspaper business, and in 1900 he was appointed by Governor Nash as chief examiner in the Ohio State Insurance Department. His ten years in this office brought him exceptional op-

portunities for competent knowledge of the insurance business, and when he left his position with the state in 1910 he engaged in business for himself as an insurance examiner and accountant. Soon afterwards he was called in his professional capacity to Le Roy, Medina County, as insurance examiner and accountant for the Ohio Farmers Insurance Company, and with his exceptional qualifications he contributed in a notable measure to the growth and development of this company during the past twelve or thirteen years. In 1919 the company created a new office, that of vice president, to which Mr. Crooks was elected as the first incumbent. After that he made his home at Le Roy, moving there from Columbus. He also was treasurer of the company as well as vice president.

Mr. Crooks in early years was a leader in the republican party in his home county. He married in 1898 Miss Lida A. Moore, of Marietta. Her father, R. T. Moore, was a Union soldier in the Civil war and for many years prominent in the affairs of Marietta.

Carl Goehring, A. B., M. D., who is now established in the practice of his profession in the city of Steubenville, has had exceptional advantages and experience in fortifying himself for his chosen vocation. In addition to being a skillful surgeon he has gained no minor prestige as a bacteriologist, pathologist and diagnostician. In the practice of his profession he is now associated with Dr. Reed Cranmer, his brother-in-law, and they are representative young physicians and surgeons of Jefferson County.

Doctor Goehring was born at Grand Island, Nebraska, March 17, 1890, and in that city still reside his parents, Richard and Pauline (Wagner) Goehring, both of whom are of German ancestry. Richard Goehring was born in the Kingdom of Saxony, Germany, where he was reared and educated, he having been twenty-one years of age when he came to the United States and engaged in farm enterprise near the city of Detroit, Michigan, from whence he later removed as one of the pioneers to Nebraska, where he has since maintained his home. At Grand Island, that state, he is a leading representative of the wholesale and retail lumber as well as realty and banking business, and an honored and influential citizen. He served ten years as a member of the City Council and has likewise been a member of the County Board of Supervisors.

In the high schools of his native city Doctor Goehring was graduated as a member of the class of 1909, and thereafter he completed a literary or academic course in the great University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1913 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Two years later he received from the medical department of this university his degree of Doctor of Medicine. He next gave a year of service as an interne in St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and there he thereafter specialized in pathology and bacteriology at Mercy Hospital and the University of Pittsburgh Medical School.

When the nation became involved in the World war Doctor Goehring promptly volunteered for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, and while in charge of laboratory service at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, he received commission as captain in the Medical Corps. After there remaining about one year he accompanied the Fourth Battalion of the Twenty-second Engineer Corps to France, his command having embarked at Hoboken, New Jersey, and landed in the port of Liverpool, England. From Southampton the Battalion crossed to LeHavre, France, and proceeded to the St. Mihiel sector. Doctor Goehring found almost constant demand for his service during the entire period of his remaining with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, where he continued on duty until after the armistice brought the war to a close. After being returned to the United States he received his honorable discharge July 3, 1919. During the ensuing two years he was the pathologist and bacteriologist to St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in which institution he had previously served as interne. He next held for three years membership on the surgical staff of the great and far-famed Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota. He then, in December, 1923, established his residence at Steubenville, Ohio, where he has since been successfully engaged in the practice of his profession, and where he is specializing in surgery and surgical-diagnosis. He is a member of the Jefferson County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Doctor Goehring gives his political allegiance to the republican party, in the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he is affiliated also with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the American Legion, and the Nu Sigma Nu college fraternity.

On the 18th of June, 1921, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Goehring and Miss Eliza Erskine Cranmer, daughter of the late Dr. Harry Cranmer and Nina Erskine Cranmer. Doctor Cranmer, of English Quaker descent traced to pre-Revolutionary times, was a prominent physician and surgeon of Portage County, Ohio. Mrs. Nina Cranmer's ancestry is traced to the Scottish Erskine Clan. Mrs. Goehring was born in Bergholz, Jefferson County. She graduated from the University of Michigan in 1914 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and after doing graduate work at Columbia, New York, and in the University of Chicago she completed her Master of Arts degree at the University of Michigan. For seven years she occupied a position in the history department of the Wells High School, Steubenville, Ohio.

Theodore A. Sherman was reared and educated at Deshler in Henry County, both he and his wife are graduates from the high school there, and for over twenty years he has been active in local business affairs. He is the present postmaster of the city.

He was born at Deshler January 2, 1882, son of Frederick M. and Ruth A. (Ames) Sherman. His mother is still living at Deshler. His father died in 1914. He was a native of Pennsylvania, had a public school education, and for a number of years was on the road as a traveling salesman. He was also in the grain elevator business, and for eight years he held the office of postmaster at Deshler. He was a republican, and the family were Methodists. Of ten children four daughters and two sons are now living: Nettie, wife of E. R. Lisle, a lumberman at Deshler; Ida, wife of Charles Flick, of Deshler; Clara, wife of Howard Young, agent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway; Lillian, wife of Britton Butts, of Toledo, a passenger brakeman with the Baltimore & Ohio; Irvin F., of Henry County; and Theodore A.

Theodore A. Sherman was reared at Deshler, attending the public schools and was graduated from high school in 1901. After that he spent a year in business college at Toledo, and took up railroading as a brakeman with the Baltimore & Ohio. After five years in the same service he engaged in the bakery business at Deshler, and gave his personal supervision to his growing business for ten years. After passing the civil service examination he was appointed postmaster at Deshler, and was reappointed to that office by the late President Harding.

Mr. Sherman married Miss Alice May Lose, who is also a graduate of the Deshler High School with the class of 1901. Eight children were born to their

marriage and six are now living. The oldest, Fred M., has the distinction of being the only graduate of the Deshler High School whose parents are also graduates. The other children are Dudley L., William and Elizabeth, all attending the public schools at Deshler, and Bettie Jane and Mary Jane, twins. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Sherman is affiliated with Sycamore Lodge No. 520, Free and Accepted Masons, and is also a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and Ottawa Council.

Leo D. Bashore, D. V. S., is one of the leading representatives of his profession in Paulding County, and is established in practice at Paulding, the county seat. His birth occurred on a farm three miles west of this attractive little Ohio city, on the 12th of September, 1888. The Doctor is a son of David Townsend Bashore and Esther (Reams) Bashore, the former of whom was born in Adams County, this state, in 1861, and the latter of whom was born at Ada, Hardin County, in 1866. David T. Bashore was a lad of eight years at the time of the family removal to Paulding County, and the home was established on a farm three miles west of Paulding, where he was reared to manhood, his educational advantages having been those of the public schools. After his marriage he continued his residence on the old home farm until 1902, when he became identified with oil-production industry in Wells County, Indiana, with headquarters at McNatt. He there continued to be employed as a pumper in the oil fields until 1912, when he established his residence at Paulding. Here he remained until his death in 1921, and here his widow still maintains her home. Mr. Bashore was a democrat in political adherency, was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and was an active member of the Christian Church, as is also his widow. Of the five children the first died in infancy; Claude, a graduate of high school and also of the Conservatory of Music at Marion, Indiana, is now a resident of Grand Rapids, Michigan; Leo D., of this review was the next in order of birth; Carl D. was graduated from the high school at Warren, Indiana, and the Cincinnati Veterinary College, he being now engaged in the practice of his profession at Monroeville, Huron County; Blanche B. is a graduate of the high school at Paulding and here remains with her widowed mother.

The public schools of Ohio and Indiana afforded Dr. Leo D. Bashore his early education, and he is a graduate of the high school at Warren, Indiana. He then returned with his parents to Paulding County, and in consonance with his ambition he entered the Cincinnati Veterinary College, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1914. Upon thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Veterinary Surgery he engaged in practice at Paulding, where he has since continued his successful service in his profession, with a substantial and profitable practice. The Doctor gives his political allegiance to the democratic party, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife hold membership in the Christian Church.

December 25, 1916, recorded the marriage of Doctor Bashore and Miss Margaret Parent, and they have two children, Virginia Lee, born November 12, 1920, and David Bruce, born November 23, 1921.

Guy Bryson, D. D. S., has found in his native city of Celina, judicial center of Mercer County, an inviting field for the successful practice of his profession, and his technical skill and personal popularity have both figured as constructive forces in his building up of a substantial and representative practice.

Doctor Bryson was born at Celina on the 21st of January, 1882, and is a son of the late Eli Bryson, whose death here occurred, he having been prominently identified with lumber and oil operations in this section of the state. The widowed mother, Mrs. Sarah (Shields) Bryson, still resides at Celina.

In the public schools of his native city Doctor Bryson continued his studies until his graduation from high school in 1897, and finally he followed the course of his ambition and entered the Ohio College of Dental Surgery in the city of Cincinnati, where he completed the prescribed curriculum and was graduated as a member of the class of 1902. After receiving his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery he was associated in practice with Dr. C. C. Scott in the city of Dayton until 1905, since which year he has been established in independent practive at Celina. He is affiliated with the Psi Omega fraternity of the dental college, and has membership in the Mercer County Dental Society, the Northwest Ohio Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society and the National Dental Society. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he is affiliated also with the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In his home city he is a member of the Kiwanis Club, and he is also a popular member of the North Shore Golf Club. His attractive and admirably equipped dental offices are established at 117 East Fayette Street. The Doctor is a republican in political allegiance, and attends and supports the local Methodist Episcopal Church, of which his wife is a member.

The year 1909 recorded the marriage of Doctor Bryson and Miss Minnie Silzman, of St. Marys, Ohio, where she was reared and educated, she having there been graduated from the high school. Mrs. Bryson is a popular figure in the representative social activities of Celina, and her home is known for its gracious hospitality.

Winfield M. McGinnis is one of the outstanding figures in civic and business affairs of Middle Point in Van Wert County. He spent a number of years as a teacher, later was engaged in banking, and is now proprietor of a coal and building material business.

He was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, in 1872, son of Bartlett and Louisa (Poling) McGinnis. His father was born in Fairfield County, in 1838, and his mother was born in 1837 and is now eighty-six years of age. After their marriage they settled on a farm in Fairfield County, where the father carried on agricultural pursuits and for many years was a live stock auctioneer. In 1882 he moved to Van Wert County, and continued farming and auctioneering here until he retired. He is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a republican in politics. At Lancaster, Ohio, he enlisted for service in the Civil war, and followed the flag in many campaigns. Of seven children, six are still living: Emerson W., a farmer in Van Wert County; Ida, wife of William Ashbaugh, of Van Wert County; Ada E., wife of G. W. Davis; Charles, a farmer in Van Wert County; Winfield M.; and Daisy, wife of Harvey Grant, a farmer in Paulding County.

Winfield M. McGinnis was about nine years old when the family came to Van Wert County, and here he attended the public schools, graduating from the Payne High School and subsequently received his Bachelor of Science degree after a full college course. In his career as teacher he became principal of schools at Middle Point, and when he resigned his work in the schoolroom he organized the Middle Point Banking Company. Mr. McGinnis was cashier of this institution for seventeen years. He is still a stockholder in

the bank, but now gives his time and attention to his coal and building material business.

He married Miss Julia A. Kesler, and they have four children: Dorothy E., a graduate of the Van Wert High School and of the normal course in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, is the wife of M. G. Pugh. Bertrand W. and Beatrice L., are both seniors in the Delphos High School. The youngest child is Robert. The family are active members of the Methodist Church. Mr. McGinnis is an independent in politics and is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias Lodge. Among other interests he owns a fine farm of 130 acres near Middle Point.

Russell P. Price, present director of public safety in the City of Steubenville, is an expert accountant, and before taking public office, had a long experience in the iron and steel business.

He was born at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1887, son of David and Hannah (Mathews) Price, residents of Steubenville. They were born and married in Wales, and coming to the United States in 1886, located in Pittsburgh, where David Price acquired American citizenship. In the old country he was an expert in rolling copper, and it was his skill in that trade that attracted him to the United States. At the present time he is foreman in the Falcon Steel Company and the Follansbee Company. He is prominent in the Masonic Order, having attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, is a member of the Shrine and is also an Odd Fellow. He and his wife have three children; Russell P.; Glenn, who is married and has a son, David; and Edwin.

Russell P. Price attended schools in Pittsburgh, and in Steubenville completed his full course in the Steubenville Business College in 1905. He went to work in the La Belle Iron Works, becoming a foreman in the mills, and at the same time continued his education by attending night school until he was proficient in all branches of commercial accounting. Altogether Mr. Price was with the La Belle Iron Works nearly eighteen years. In 1918 he was elected city auditor, an office he held two years. During the World war, in addition to his duties as city auditor, he helped perform essential war work by acting as foreman at the Iron Mills. After leaving the office of city auditor he resumed a place in the mills until January, 1922, when he became director of public safety.

Mr. Price married at Pittsburgh, September 14, 1908, Miss Annie Segar, of Rochester, New York. Her father was a stonecutter, and both her parents died during her early infancy. She was reared by her grandmother. Mrs. Price had three brothers, Adam and John, both deceased, and Edward, a resident of California. Mr. and Mrs. Price are members of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Eagles and the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce.

John S. Graham has been a figure in Licking County, in the Granville community, for many years, grew up there, had been a farmer and stockman, banker, member of the Legislature and is the present mayor of Granville. He was born in Center County, Pennsylvania, January 16, 1864, son of John S. and Hannah (Hayes) Graham, both natives of Center County, Pennsylvania, while the grandparents Graham came from Scotland. The parents of Hannah Hayes were born in Pennsylvania. John S. Graham, of Granville, was a baby when his parents came to Ohio and settled on a farm in Licking County. He attended public schools there, and as a young man engaged in farming and stock raising, and still has large interests in those lands. From the farm his activity extended to commercial affairs in town, and in 1903 he was one of the founders of the Granville Bank, becoming one of its first directors and for the past twelve years has been its president. Mr. Graham is now serving his second term as mayor of Granville. For about a year he has given considerable time to his duties as manager of the Granville Co-operative Company, doing a general warehouse business, buying and selling farm supplies and builders supplies.

Mr. Graham was elected and represented Licking County in the Eighty-first and Eighty-third General Assemblies of Ohio. He was a member of the Board of Education of McKane Township ten years, was for six years one of the county commissioners, and during the World war, having a son at the front, he was spurred to unremitting efforts in behalf of the success of all patriotic causes and campaigns, being a member of the Licking County War Work Committee. He is a member of the Grange, is a republican, is president of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Church, and was elected a delegate to the World's Conference of Methodists. Mr. Graham has also some financial interests in oil and gas wells.

He married at Springfield, Ohio, October 4, 1888, Miss Minnie K. Deardorff, daughter of General John and Elizabeth (Pettigrew) Deardorff, of Springfield. Her father was a soldier of distinction in the Union Army during the Civil war. Mrs. Graham is a member of the Daughters of Veterans, has been very active in literary and musical clubs and church affairs at Granville, and is president of the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham have two sons, Paul B. and Hayes D. Graham. The son Paul was educated in Denison University and in Ohio Wesleyan University, and is now established in a successful contracting business at Grand Rapids, Michigan. He married Myrtle Lovell, of Newark, Ohio. Hayes D. Graham attended Denison University and Ohio Wesleyan University, and married Oleta Spellman, member of one of the early and prominent families of Licking County. Hayes D. Graham is now engaged in farming on a place adjoining Granville.

Hayes D. Graham in May, 1917, enlisted for service in the World war, being trained at Camp Perry, then at Mineola and went to France in October, 1917, with a regiment of infantry commanded by Colonel Hough in the Forty-second or Rainbow Division. In the spring of 1918 he was commissioned a second lieutenant, was put with the Twenty-ninth Division, and while on the field of battle was made first lieutenant. He served as liaison officer of his regiment, and was on active duty in several sectors, being once slightly gassed. In the great battle of the Argonne he was on duty thirty-five days without once taking off his clothes, and in the last fight of that engagement he was with an outfit of 228 men who went into action and only sixty-eight of whom came out alive. He is an active member of the American Legion.

Herman A. Spangler, who recently retired from the office of postmaster of Defiance, was for a number of years in the grain business and has had a close relationship with the commercial and civic affairs of his home city and county. He was born in Henry County, Ohio, November 21, 1874, son of John and Isabelle (Tuttle) Spangler. His father was a native of Scheffhousen, Switzerland, and was eight years of age when his parents came to the United States and located in Fulton County, Ohio. Later he moved to Defiance County, was married there, his wife being a native of Defiance, and somewhat later he bought a flouring mill and operated it at Florida in Henry County for ten years. Returning to Defiance County, he occupied and operated his farm the rest of his life. He served as director of Defiance County Infirmary, and was a well known member of the democratic

party. In the family were three sons and four daughters, six of whom are still living.

Herman A. Spangler spent his boyhood days on the farm in Defiance County, attended the district schools and spent one year in Defiance College. In the fall of 1897 he went to work for his brother in the grain business at Defiance. In the spring of 1898 he volunteered and became a member of Company M of the Sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He went to Cuba with this regiment in January, 1899, and was on duty on the Island four months, until April 27, 1899, when the regiment returned home. He was mustered out in June, 1899, and returning to Defiance, acquired a half interest in the grain business with his brother. This partnership was continued profitably until 1906, when the plant was burned. He then organized the Farmers Grain Company, taking over three grain elevators, and was general superintendent of the business until 1913, when he sold out. During 1913-14 Mr. Spangler was employed in the tax commisioner's office, and on March 3, 1915, President Wilson appointed him postmaster of Defiance. He administered this office for eight years and five months, until August 5, 1923, having charge of the office throughout the period of the World war, with its many extra duties. He is a director in the Automatic Screw Machine Company of Defiance, and has a number of other business interests.

Mr. Spangler married Miss Laura M. Boston. They are members of St. John's Reformed Church. He is affiliated with Omega Lodge No. 546, Free and Accepted Masons, Chapter No. 80, Royal Arch Masons, Occonoxee Council No. 55, Royal and Select Masters, Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar, and he is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a democrat in politics, and is a member of the Exchange Club.

KINSEY C. EVANS, M. D., finds in Paulding County an attractive field for his effective professional ministrations, maintains his residence in the attractive village of Payne, and has a substantial and representative practice of general order. He has here been engaged in practice since the summer of 1910, and he is an active member of the Paulding County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Doctor Evans was born at Fort Wayne, Indiana, on the 11th of May, 1882, and is a son of Bennett B. and Della (Conklin) Evans. Judge John K. Evans, grandfather of the Doctor, was born in the State of New York and was a young man when he established his residence at Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he studied law and where he eventually became one of the leading members of the bar of Allen County, besides serving as judge of the County Court. Bennett B. Evans was reared and educated at Fort Wayne, his early education having included attendance in a college there maintained under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he and his wife still maintain their home at Fort Wayne, where he has been a prominent merchant and also identified with other lines of business enterprise. He is a republican in political adherency, is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and he and his wife, who was born in Steuben County, Indiana, are zealous members of the Reformed Church. Of the five children Dr. Kinsey C., of this review, is the elder of the two survivors, and Catherine is the wife of Dr. Robert R. Gillis, who is engaged in the practice of dentistry at Hammond, Indiana. Mrs. Gillis attended the Tri-State Normal School at Angola, Indiana, and was a successful teacher in the Fort Wayne schools prior to her marriage.

In the public schools of Fort Wayne Doctor Evans continued his studies until his graduation from high school, and in preparation for his chosen profession he completed the prescribed course in the Indiana School of Medicine, which is now the medical department of Purdue University. In this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1906, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was for four years engaged in practice at Edgerton, Indiana. He then, in July, 1910, came to Payne, Ohio, where he has since continued his successful professional work, the scope of his practice indicating alike his professional ability and his unqualified personal popularity.

Doctor Evans takes loyal interest in community affairs, and has given effective service as a member and the president of the Board of Education at Payne. His political support is given to the republican party, and he and his wife hold membership in the Reformed Church. In the York Rite of the Masonic fraternity Doctor Evans is affiliated with Payne Lodge No. 580, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master, with the Paulding Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, with the Council of Royal and Select Masters and with the Commandery of Knights Templars at Van Wert. In the Scottish Rite he has received the thirty-second degree, and he is a member of the Mystic Shrine and the Order of the Eastern Star, in which latter he is a past patron and his wife a past worthy matron. In his native city of Fort Wayne he retains affiliation with the lodges of the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Doctor Evans wedded Miss Nellie L. Brady, of Fort Wayne, and they have two daughters, Dorothy V. and Katherine E., both of whom are students in the public schools of Payne, the elder daughter being in high school (1923).

GEORGE R. BEVAN is a well known citizen of Bucyrus, and has already achieved prominence in his profession as a mechanical engineer. He holds that official rank with the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad, with headquarters at Bucyrus.

He was born in this Ohio city, January 5, 1890, son of John S. and Mary (Voltz) Bevan, both natives of Crawford County. His grandfather, Reece Bevan, was a native of England, came to the United States when a boy, and established the old Bevan homestead a half a mile east of Bucyrus. He was a carpenter by trade. John S. Bevan was reared in Crawford County, and became an apprentice with the Rohr Planing Mills of Bucyrus, and subsequently was promoted to superintendent, the position he holds today. He and his wife are members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and he is prominent in Masonry, being a past master of the lodge, past high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter and past thrice illustrious master of the Council. He has been quite active in republican politics. John S. Bevan and wife have three children: George R.; Mamie, wife of Leonard Eice of Lancaster, New York; and John S., a machinist with the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad.

George R. Bevan was reared in Bucyrus, attended the grammar and high schools there, and completed a course in mechanical engineering with the International Correspondence School. For seven years he was in the employ of the American Clay Machinery Company, beginning as draftsman and subsequently was promoted to assistant engineer. Leaving that industry, he went with the Ohio Locomotive Train Company as a designer, and then came into the service of the Toledo & Ohio Central, being designer for two years, then draftsman and assistant engineer, and from that was promoted to his present duties as mechanical engineer.

October 16, 1909, Mr. Bevan married Miss Cleva Metcalf. They have one daughter, Roberta, born

August 12, 1912, now attending the public schools of Bucyrus. The family are members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Mr. Bevan is a member of Bucyrus Lodge No. 139, Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Scioto Valley Consistory of the Scottish Rite and the Eastern Star. He is a republican.

CARSAR W. SUNSERI, M. D. Not alone by his personal achievements in the medical fraternity is Dr. Carsar W. Sunseri eminent, but by reason of his connection with a distinguished and illustrious family whose members have been prominent in various walks of life for many years both in the United States and Italy. His own position is firmly established at Steubenville, where he has been engaged in the practice of surgery and general medicine since 1919, and where he bids fair to maintain the splendid family record which is his heritage.

Doctor Sunseri was born November 11, 1895, at New Orleans, Louisiana, and is a son of Dr. Frank and Nancy (Giorgi) Sunseri. His paternal grandparents were Salvado and Margaret Sunseri, now deceased, the former of whom was at the head of an important canning enterprise, while his maternal grandparents were General and Mary Giorgi, who still survive, the former having been formerly a high officer in the Italian army and a man of much prominence. An uncle of Doctor Sunseri likewise holds the rank of general in the Italian army, and the family is one of much wealth and distinction.

Dr. Frank Sunseri was born, reared and educated in Italy, where he received a training that brought forth the best of his splendid talent as a surgeon. He rose rapidly in his profession, gradually gaining a national reputation, and finally, for invaluable services rendered, he was knighted by the King of Italy and became one of the King's courtiers. Eventually he came to the United States and settled at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he practiced as a surgeon for twenty-five years, even adding to the reputation which he had established in his native land. He and Mrs. Sunseri are now living at Los Angeles, California, and Doctor Sunseri has practically retired, although he occasionally accepts a difficult ease. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Knight Templar. He and Mrs. Sunseri have the following children: Salvador, who married Florence Hershey and has one child, Virginia; Albert, who is unmarried; Margaret, who married Michael Sunseri and has six children, Salvador, Margaret, Irene, Orlando, Frank and Marie; Mary, who married Samuel Catauzaro and has one child, Pauline; Clarinda, who is single; and Dr. Carsar W.

After attending the public schools of Pittsburgh, Carsar W. Sunseri pursued a course at DuQuesne University, of the same city, acquiring the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He next enrolled as a student in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1919, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and at once began the practice of general medicine and surgery at Steubenville. He has since been successful in building up one of the leading practices of the city, and has attained a high place in his calling. He is a member of the staff of both hospitals, Gills and Ohio Valley, and during the World war, while attending Jefferson Medical College, was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps in the Student Officers' Camp. Doctor Sunseri is a member of the American Medical Association, the Ohio State Medical Society, the Jefferson County Medical Society and the Allegheny County (Pennsylvania) Medical Society. He also holds membership in the Phi Rho Sigma college fraternity, the Knights of Pythias, the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce. As a progressive citizen he has always been ready to give his unreserved support to beneficial civic movements.

Doctor Sunseri was united in marriage at Steubenville, January 21, 1921, with Miss Martha Elydo Crawford, a daughter of John and Margaret (Rauscher) Crawford. Mr. Crawford, who is engaged in the lumber business at St. Mary, Pennsylvania, where he is a man of affairs is the father of eight children. Doctor and Mrs. Sunseri are the parents of one child; Nancy Margaret, who was born in 1923.

FRANK R. LUNN is a graduate bachelor of veterinary medicine of the State University, and for over ten years has been in practice at Payne in Paulding County, except for the three years he was with the army during the Mexican border troubles and during the World war.

Doctor Lunn was born in Franklin County, Ohio, January 7, 1887, son of B. U. and Ella (Rankin) Lunn. His father was born in Iowa, in October, 1854, and in the following year his parents left the West and returned to Ohio, locating in Franklin County. He grew up and married Ella Rankin, who was born in Franklin County, in July, 1867. Both were well educated, he having a high school training while she is a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware and comes of a prominent family of Methodists, several of whom were ministers of the Gospel. B. U. Lunn and wife lived on their farm in Franklin County until 1898, and then moved to the vicinity of Columbus, where he has since been engaged in the dairy business, with a large dairy company. Both are members of the Methodist Church, and he is an independent in politics and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. They have five children: Dr. Frank R.; Enid W., who is a graduate of Ohio State University and now has charge of the domestic science department of the State Board of Education; Margaret, a graduate of high school and continuing her studies in Ohio State University; Mary, who graduated in home economics at Ohio State University and is now teacher in a school maintained by the Methodist Church in the City of Mexico; and Kenneth, an employe of the American Express Company at Columbus.

Frank R. Lunn spent the first fourteen years of his life on his father's farm. He attended high school at Columbus, and then entered Ohio State University, where he graduated with the degree Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1912. In the same year he came to Paulding County and located at Payne, and soon had an extensive practice.

He became a member of the Ohio National Guard, and when his regiment was called to duty on the Mexican border in 1916 he accompanied it and remained there until 1917. When America entered the war with the central powers he was assigned to duty first at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and then at Fort Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, where he acted as an instructor at the first Officers' Training School. He was then sent to Camp Sheridan at Montgomery, Alabama, where he assisted in the organization of the Thirty-seventh Division. In March, 1918, he was transferred to Camp Gordon, Georgia, as division veterinarian of the Eighty-second Division. This division embarked for overseas April 25, 1918, and he was on duty overseas from May 7, 1918, until June 19, 1919. He then returned to the United States and in July, 1919, was given his honorable discharge, after three years of military duty.

Doctor Lunn at once returned to Payne and resumed his professional work here. In adddition to his practice he is a dealer in feed and is manager of the Sherman-White Produce Company. His character and abilities have brought him further honors, and after a term or so on the Town Council he was

elected mayor of Payne, and is filling that office at the present time.

Doctor Lunn married Miss Cora R. Lewis. They have five children: Lewis R., Edward L., Henry J., Mary Jane and Margaret Ella. Mrs. Lunn is a member of the Christian Church, while he belongs to the church of his parents, the Methodist. In Masonry he is affiliated with Flat Rock Lodge No. 580, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Scottish Rite Consistory and Shrine at Dayton, and is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and is a democrat in politics.

CARL P. DUNIFON is one of the prominent younger members of the bar of Van Wert County, and is serving his second term as prosecuting attorney.

He was born at Van Wert, February 25, 1897, son of W. D. and Elizabeth (Perry) Dunifon. His parents were also natives of Van Wert County, his father born in 1869 and his mother in 1875, in Ridge Township. Both were reared on farms and were well educated. The mother taught school for a time. She died in 1908, the mother of two sons, W. Dale and Carl P. W. Dale is a graduate of the local high school, of the Cincinnati Law School, and is now second assistant attorney in the attorney-general's office at Columbus. He married Grace Gerard.

The second wife of W. D. Dunifon was Minnie Woodruff. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and in politics is a republican. For a number of years he has been a leader in his party in Van Wert County, being chairman of the Republican Campaign Committee and served as deputy dairy and food commisioner, and was also assistant clerk of the House of Representatives.

Carl P. Dunifon graduated from the Van Wert High School, and acquired his legal education in Ohio Northern University at Ada. After his admission to the bar he served one term as city solicitor of Van Wert, and in the fall of 1920 was elected prosecuting attorney and reelected in 1922.

He married Miss Ida Juillerat, a graduate of the Van Wert High School. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Mr. Dunifon takes an active part in the young men's class. He is affiliated with Van Wert Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and is an officer in the Elks Lodge. He is a republican, and is president of the M. B. A. insurance organization.

JOHN MOORE has given most of his active years to the milling industry, either manufacturing lumber or flour, but in recent years has built up a very prosperous industry at Greenfield as an ice manufacturer.

He was born at Lexington, Kentucky, August 24, 1867, son of Samuel Moore, who was born at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, March 12, 1818. The grandfather was born in 1780, and died at the age of sixty, in 1840, at Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The grandmother was Martha Eckman, who was born in 1785 and died in 1870, at the age of eighty-five. Samuel Moore was for many years engaged in the milling industry. He was a personal friend of Stonewall Jackson, son of the great Confederate Commander. Religiously he was a member of the Quaker Church. He died in 1908, at the venerable age of ninety years and is buried at Lexington, Kentucky. Samuel Moore married Sally J. Simms, who was born at Harrison County, Kentucky, in 1838 and died in 1918 at Eustis, Florida, age eighty years.

John Moore was one of six children, and all of them received their early advantages from a private teacher or governess who came to their home to teach. When he was eighteen years of age he went to work to assist in paying off a security debt of $18,000 contracted by his father. He devoted twelve years to the task of clearing the financial shadow from the family. Most of the time he operated a hardwood sawmill and grist mill. In 1895 he and his father formed a partnership in the saw milling business at Paynes Depot, Kentucky, but his interest was sold to his father in 1900. In 1903 Mr. Moore became a salesman for the International Harvester Company, with headquarters at Cincinnati, and in 1904 he and S. M. Long of Shelbyville, Kentucky, established the Climax Milling Company.

In 1911, selling out his interests to Mr. Long, Mr. Moore came to Greenfield, arriving here with a reputation as a sound business man but was practically without capital. At that time he organized and promoted the local Ice and Cold Storage Plant, and has since become the sole owner of the business, which is operated under the name of the Greenfield Ice and Coal Company. The plant has a capacity of thirty-three tons of ice daily, with 2,000 tons storage capacity. The water used in the ice plant is pumped from wells that have a larger daily capacity than the town water works. The company operates five large motor trucks during the summer season, distributing ice to thirty-six sub-stations and nearby towns.

Mr. Moore is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Eagles, and for several years was a member of the National Millers' Association. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and is a democrat.

He married Miss Alice Foree, who was born in Georgetown, Kentucky, April 27, 1876, and finished her education in Georgetown College. She is a member of the Country Club and the Presbyterian Church. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Moore: Ina Havon, born at Shelbyville, Kentucky, June 20, 1905, a member of the class of 1925 in the McClain High School at Greenfield, and Margaret Foree, who was born at Shelbyville, Kentucky, July 10, 1910, and is now in the Junior High School at Greenfield.

MARION OTTO JULIEN, a newspaper publisher and editor at Newcomerstown, acquired the first technical elements of knowledge concerning the printing business when he was twelve years of age. His father is a veteran printer and newspaper man, and the two associated together or as individuals have favorably impressed their names and careers on Ohio journalism.

Marion Otto Julien was born at Caldwell, Ohio, September 8, 1876, only son and child of Marion Cassius and Virginia (Schreiber) Julien. The mother died in 1889. M. C. Julien subsequently married Calista Williams, who was a teacher in the schools of Lancaster, Ohio. She is still living. There are no children of this union.

Marion Cassius Julien was born at Keosauqua, Iowa, August 31, 1851. When he was eight years of age his father died. His mother subsequently returned to her parental home in Washington County, Ohio. There M. C. Julien spent some of his boyhood years, and at Caldwell, Ohio, learned the trade of printer. He had a journeyman's experience in the printing and newspaper business, and in 1889 bought the Index, a weekly paper at Newcomerstown. He sold his interest in 1895, but a year later he and the late Prof. John T. Duff again acquired the property. Professor Duff soon afterward became sole proprietor, and M. C. Julien moved to California.

Marion Otto Julien in the meantime had completed a public school education. He was thirteen years of age when his father located at Newcomerstown, and in the meantime had begun his expe-

rience as a printer and was associated with his father's newspaper at Newcomerstown. In 1900 he bought the News that had been established in Newcomerstown in 1895. After he acquired this paper his father returned from California and joined him in the publication and editing of the News, and continued his active connection therewith until his recent retirement. The paper and the job printing business in connection with it is now owned and directed by the incorporated firm of The News Printing Company, with M. O. Julien as editor and manager. The News is an independent paper in politics, though Mr. Julien himself is a republican.

He is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, having served as sergeant in Company N of the Seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry. While always busy with his printing and newspaper business, he has rendered some public service, having been a member of the Board of Public Affairs for Newcomerstown and is director of the Home Building & Loan Company. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. M. O. Julien married in 1901 Miss Anna Kennedy. They have a son, Max Kennedy Julien.

Otto Merle Conley, Doctor of Chiropractic at Gallipolis, qualified for that profession after leaving the army on account of disability. He is a native of Ohio, and came to Gallia County from the northwestern part of the state.

He was born in Paulding County, Ohio, January 15, 1890, son of Ransom and Clara (Russler) Conley. His mother, who is living, is a daughter of Joseph and Julia Russler. Ransom Conley, who died in 1919, was a tile manufacturer at Harpster, Ohio, and one of the successful business men and influential citizens of that locality, where he served for many years as justice of peace. He was a Methodist and a member of the Maccabees. In the family were eleven children, including: Asa R., whose four children are by his first wife, Mabel Wilmuth, and he and his second wife, Gladys, have no children; Roy E. married Margaret Barth and has a daughter, Helen; Clarence R. married and has children; Dr. Otto Merle is the next in age; Orlando married Rosa Lamb; Joseph is married; Nina, Julia, wife of Ralph Witner; and Cecil, unmarried.

Otto Merle attended the grammar and high schools at Harpster, Ohio, and for some time was on the road as a traveling salesman. At Lansing, Michigan, he entered the plant of the Reo Automobile Company, learning the machinist's trade, which he followed four years. On July 25, 1918, he enlisted, and was sent to Grayling, Michigan. About a month later he was disabled and on being reported with 100 per cent disability, was discharged and under the auspices of the government entered the Chiropractic College at Fort Wayne, Indiana. He graduated in 1919, and for the past five years has been engaged in practice at Gallipolis. He has prospered, and has also educated his two brothers.

Doctor Conley married at Newtonville, Michigan, in June, 1918, Miss Alma Schad. Her father was a traveling salesman, and there were four children, John, Frank, Bertha and Mrs. Conley. Doctor and Mrs. Conley have one daughter, Merle Clayton. They were members of the Methodist Church, and he is affiliated with the American Legion.

James S. Borden. The career of James S. Borden is one in which the youth starting out in life handicapped in one or another way may glean much encouragement. Mr. Borden entered life with little equipment save that of an education of none too complete a character, and as a further obstacle to his progress met with an injury which prohibited him from participation in certain lines of activity. Notwithstanding these obstructions he has gone courageously forward, steadily advancing, and today occupies an honored place in the business life of Carrollton, as well as the position of treasurer of Carroll County.

Mr. Borden was born July 21, 1884, at Salineville, Columbiana County, Ohio, and is a son of John W. and Nancy Elizabeth (Crumbley) Borden, and descended on both sides from old and honored English families. His paternal grandparents were Robert and Nancy Borden. John W. Borden, who followed the occupation of a coal miner throughout his life, died in 1912, his worthy wife following him to the grave in 1916. They were the parents of ten children: Robert, who married Eileen Simpson and has three children, Winona, Harold and an infant; Arthur, who is unmarried; Orville, who died at the age of four years; John W., who married Ella Duke and has five children: Nellie, who married Emmett Telson, and has three children, Ray, James and Ernest; James S., of this review; Samuel, who died at the age of six years; Minnie, who married Port C. Morrow, and has two children, Glennon and Garnella; Elva, who married Lambert Myron, and has five children; and Joseph Edgar, who died at the age of five years.

James S. Borden acquired his education as a lad in the district school in the vicinity of his home, and when only fourteen years of age followed the example of the other boys of his community, in companionship with his father, and began the rough, hard, dangerous life of the coal miner. This he followed until reaching the age of twenty-one years, at which time, in an accident in the mine in which he was working, his leg was badly injured, and he was forced to seek a different means of livelihood. In the meantime, in an effort to better his knowledge and condition, he had taken a course in electrical engineering from the National Correspondence School of Scranton, Pennsylvania, but when he sought new employment he found a quiet life the preferable one and accordingly invested his small savings in a general store business at Salineville. During the four years that he was located at that place he made his business pay, and subsequently went to Oneida, where he likewise remained for four years. Seeking a broader field of activity, he then came to Carrollton and established a like business, which he conducted for seven years. Making friends readily, he soon had not only built up a good business, but also had secured some influence in public matters, and when he became a candidate for the office of county treasurer of Carroll County he disposed of his mercantile interests. This occurred in August, 1922, in the fall of which year he was elected to the county treasurer's office for a full term of two years.

He has discharged his duties in a faithful manner and has gained the confidence and good will of the people of the County of Carroll, who now have full faith in his integrity and ability. Mr. Borden belongs to the Church of Christ and as a fraternalist holds membership in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. During the World war he was secretary of the Food Price Commission.

In November, 1910, at Salineville, Mr. Borden was united in marriage with Miss Nettie Gertrude Backin, a daughter of James and Zella (Scott) Backin, the latter of whom survives. Mr. Backin was a lifelong agriculturist and also took an interest in public affairs, holding the office of deputy sheriff of Columbiana County at the time of his death. Mr. and Mrs. Backin were the parents of five children: Nettie Gertrude, now Mrs. Borden; Charles, who is married; Della, who married John Gould and has had two children, Donald, deceased, and John H.; Earl,

who married Bessie Wired; Laura, who married Charles Baxton and had one child, Rex. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Borden: Kenneth L., Virginia and Carl.

HARRY A. MCCLANAHAN has been established in the practice of law at Lancaster, Ohio, since 1923, and is one of the representative younger members of the bar of Fairfield County.

Mr. McClanahan was born at Corning, Perry County, Ohio, January 7, 1898, and he was still a boy at the time of the family removal to Lancaster, where his parents, Jacob H. and Hattie (Nelson) McClanahan, still maintain their home, the father, now virtually retired from active business, being still the owner of a restaurant in Lancaster, the establishment being now in charge of his son Melvin. Blanche, the first born of the five children, is deceased; Melvin is manager of the restaurant business owned by his father, the maiden name of his wife having been Hazel Starret and their two children being daughters, Ruth and Marjorie; Harry A., of this review, was the next in order of birth; and Helen and Isabel are at the parental home, Helen being, in 1924, a senior in the Lancaster High School and Isabel is a freshman.

Harry A. McClanahan was graduated from the Lancaster High School as a member of the class of 1917, and thereafter he was for two years a student in Ohio Northern University at Ada. His ambition has ever been one of resourceful action, and by his own efforts he provided the means for acquiring his higher academic and also his professional education. After his arts and science course at Ohio Northern University he went to Georgetown, District of Columbia, where he attended the law department of Georgetown University one year. He then transferred to the National University of Law, Washington, D. C., and in this institution he was graduated in 1922, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Mr. McClanahan had no plethora of leisure during the period of his residence in the District of Columbia, for while there pursuing his studies he found employment during the days and attended the evening session of the law school. His first service in Washington was in the capacity of bookkeeper in the postoffice department of the government, and six months later, by reason of his knowledge of law, he was appointed claim examiner in the United States Veteran Bureau. In July, 1922, after his graduation from law school, he was transferred to the legal department of this bureau, his entire period of service with the bureau having covered three years. In September, 1923, he resigned his position and returned to Lancaster, where he opened an office and where he has since been engaged in the practice of his profession. He has already proved his powers as a vigorous and resourceful trial lawyer and well fortified counselor, and his ability, as conjoined with his secure place in popular confidence and good will, assures his consecutive advancement in the work of his chosen vocation. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Delta Theta Phi college fraternity. Mr. McClanahan is a World war veteran.

THOMAS ROCK is one of the active younger members of the Steubenville bar, possessed of qualifications that have put him rapidly to the front in his chosen profession.

He was born at Dillonvale, Ohio, December 2, 1897, son of Paul and Giovanna Rock. His grandparents were born in Italy. Paul Rock came to the United States from Italy in 1886, bringing his wife. He first located in Western Pennsylvania and subsequently moved to Steubenville, and he followed the occupation of coal miner until his death. He was a devout Catholic. His widow is still living. They had three children, Thomas being the youngest. The daughter Mary is married and has a family of six children. The other daughter, Frances, married James La Rosa, their two children being Dominick and Paul.

Thomas Rock attended public school at Rayland, Ohio, and after graduating from high school entered Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he took the preparatory and law courses, graduating in law in 1920. He was examined and admitted to the bar the same year, and at once engaged in practice at Steubenville. He has formed no partnership, and has had a satisfactory volume of business in general law practice.

Mr. Rock endeavored to enlist during the World war, but was too young to be accepted for military service. He is unmarried, is a member of the County Lawyers' Association, the Knights of Pythias, the Delta Theta Phi college fraternity, and is a Catholic.

SIMON PETER WISE, M. D., was a charter member of the Ohio State Board of Health and served as its president for two terms. He was the first president of the State Sanatorium for Tuberculosis at Mount Vernon, Ohio, and served until all state institutions were placed under one management. Dr. Simon Peter Wise was a very able physician and surgeon whose field of work in his profession was Holmes County, though his influence on the various medical organizations extended over a much wider area.

Doctor Wise, who died at Millersburg, July 27, 1914, was born at Lebanon, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, November 25, 1848. His grandparents were Frederick and Betriah (Bloukenhorn) Wise. Frederick Wise was a lieutenant under Napoleon, serving in the ill fated Russian campaign, and was taken prisoner at Moscow. After the death of his wife in Germany he brought his family of six children to America in 1829, first locating in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and afterwards removing to Lebanon County. He followed the trade of baker, and died in 1871. John D. Wise, father of the late Doctor Wise, was born in Wittenberg, Germany, May 12, 1822, was seven years of age when brought to the United States, and acquired a good education in both English and German. He learned the baker's trade, followed it for several years, and in 1844 married Harriet Schroeder, a native of Burks County, Pennsylvania. In 1856 they came from Pennsylvania to Holmes County, Ohio, where John D. Wise purchased a farm in German Township. His wife died on the farm in 1870. In 1874 John D. Wise and his son, A. M. Wise, engaged in the general mercantile business at Walnut Creek, in Holmes County. He was postmaster there, and held other offices. He was a democrat in politics, and a member of the Lutheran Church.

Simon Peter Wise was eight years old when he came to Holmes County. He grew up on the farm, attended the common schools, and at the age of seventeen began teaching. Teaching gave him the funds to complete his higher education. He began to study under Dr. F. J. Guittard of New Bedford, and attended medical lectures in the Charity Hospital at Cleveland, and was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons at New York. After his graduation he practiced steadily at Millersburg until his death. For a time he was associated with Dr. Joel Pomerene, one of the able members of his profession. After a partnership of six years with Doctor Pomerene, Doctor Wise continued his practice alone, and later associated with himself his son, Dr. Ralph C. Wise. He was a member of the Ohio State Board of Health for a number of years, having been honored with the office of president for two terms. He was a member of the Northeastern Ohio Medical Association, the Ohio State Medical Association, American Medical Association, American Public

Health Association, the Conference of the State Board of Health, the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and the Association of Life Insurance Examiners. For several years he served on the Board of Pension Examiners, and was local surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railway and the Baltimore & Ohio Railway. He also held the office of coroner of Holmes County. A deep student of his profession and a man of literary gifts, he wrote a number of papers for medical conventions, most of them published in America and some in Europe. In 1890 he wrote an article on "The Contagiousness of Consumption," in which article he laid down almost the identical rules for the prevention of tuberculosis that are taken today, and it was largely through this article and others that he was appointed the first president of the State Sanatorium at Mount Vernon, Ohio. He served as a member of the school board in his home town and took quite an active interest in educational matters. He wrote several articles on the school system, some of which caused wide comment. He was a democrat and a member of the Christian Church.

Doctor Wise married in 1874 Miss Mary Cherryholmes, a daughter of Jacob and Ellen (Korns) Cherryholmes, of Millersburg. Her parents moved to Holmes County from Coshocton County, Ohio. Mrs. Wise continued to make her home at Millersburg. She was the mother of four children: Dr. Ralph C. Wise, now at Mansfield, Ohio; Clifford C. Wise, an attorney at Cleveland; Florence Ellen, wife of Ralph E. Hecker, of Cleveland; and Miss Ida E., at home.

John Davison, for many years a professor in the Ohio Northern University, was born at West Newton, Allen County, Ohio, July 22, 1858, son of Amaziah and Eliza J. (Nye) Davison. He took his Bachelor of Science degree at the Ohio Northern in 1889, the Master of Science degree in 1892, the Master of Literature degree in 1902 and the Doctor of Pedagogy in 1912 from the same institution. From 1895 to 1900 he was professor of literature in Lima College, and from 1900 to 1905 held a similar chair in the Ohio Northern. The following ten years he was superintendent of public schools in Lima, and returned to the Ohio Northern as vice president and dean of the College of Education. He is a member of the Teachers' Northwestern Ohio Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association, the National Educational Association, Allen County Historical Society, and is author of American Literature, published in 1904, English Literature, published in 1905, and has delivered more than 3,000 lectures on literary and kindred subjects. He married Clara E. Hay, of West Newton, March 24, 1886.

Clark Wells Chamberlain, A. B., Ph. D., who is the president of his alma mater, Denison University, at Granville, Licking County, has gained high reputation as an educator, physicist, author and college executive, and in his career of achievement has signally honored Ohio, the state of his nativity.

Doctor Chamberlain was born at Litchfield, Medina County, Ohio, on the 29th of October, 1870, and is a son of Wells Alexander Chamberlain and Cynthia (Aldrich) Chamberlain. The doctor is a scion of the third generation of the Chamberlain family in Ohio, to which state his grandfather, John Chamberlain, who was a successful teacher, came from the State of New York, this action having been prompted largely by his desire to find wider opportunity for advancing his service in behalf of the cause of temperance. In this connection it is interesting to record that his son Wells Alexander Chamberlain likewise became a leader in temperance work, he having been one of a small group of men who met at Oberlin, Ohio, and became founders of the Anti-Saloon League, this having become a national organization of great influence and power. Wells A. Chamberlain was a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war as a member of Company F, Twelfth Ohio Volunteer Infantry.

The preliminary education of Dr. Clark W. Chamberlain was acquired in the public schools, and in 1894 he was graduated from Denison University, the institution of which he is now the president, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He was a graduate student in and a Fellow of the University of Chicago, 1897-1900, and at Columbia University, New York City, 1908-1911, he having received from this institution in 1910 the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. In the period of 1894-1897 he was instructor in mathematics and physics in Western Reserve Academy; in 1900-1901 he was professor of physics and astronomy at Colby College, in the State of Maine; and he then returned to Denison University, where he held the chair of physics until 1908, when he assumed a similar professorship at Vassar College. The doctor remained at Vassar from 1908 until 1913, in which latter year he was called to his present academic and executive office, that of president of Denison University. Here his administration has been one of able and constructive order, and under his regime the scholastic and material interests of the institution have been advanced in a significant degree.

In connection with his scientific attainments and achievements Doctor Chamberlain received a silver medal at the Jamestown Exposition in Virginia in 1907. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a Fellow of the American Physical Society, a member of the National Institute of Social Sciences, and is recognized as one of the representative physicists of the United States. In his brief personal sketch appearing in the work entitled "American Men of Science" his name is marked with the asterisk or star, a mark there used to designate with special emphasis those students of and research workers in the natural and exact sciences whose work has been of major importance. This marking appears in connection without about 1,000 of more than 4,000 names appearing in that publication, and Doctor Chamberlain was one of about 150 men to be thus honored in the domain of the science of physics.

Doctor Chamberlain is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and the Phi Gamma Delta College fraternities, is a republican in political allegiance, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Baptist Church. The doctor has made many contributions to standard and periodical literature of science, especially in his articles published in the "Physical Review."

On the 27th of December, 1900, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Chamberlain and Miss Jessie Isabel Husted, of Norwalk, Ohio, and they have four children: John Husted, Margaret Aldrich, Stuart Hay and Elizabeth Clark.

George Harrison Morehouse is one of the younger men in the industrial life of the thriving City of Greenfield, being the executive head of two of the companies that swell the industrial output of the town and make its name known from coast to coast.

Mr. Morehouse was born at Sparta, Morrow County, Ohio, February 21, 1890. His grandfather, Edgar Morehouse, was born in the State of New York, was a carpenter and builder, and spent his brief career in Morrow County, Ohio, where he died in 1865, at the age of thirty-one. His wife, Rachel Doty, was born in Morrow County, and died at the age of seventy-four, being buried at Marengo

in Morrow County. Their son, George Washington Morehouse, was born at Kankakee, Illinois, in 1859, and, becoming a physician, practiced for many years at Sparta in Morrow County and at Delaware, Ohio, where he died at the age of sixty-one. Doctor Morehouse married Luella Catherine Harrison, a native of Morrow County. She was born in 1863, and was educated in the public and normal schools at Ada and is a resident of Delaware. Her father, George Smith Harrison, was a native of Morrow County, and died at the age of eighty-three, being buried at Fargo in Morrow County. George S. Harrison married Eliza Ann Hunt, a native of Morrow County, who died in 1905.

George Harrison Morehouse was reared in Morrow County, attending the high schools at Mount Gilead. He was graduated from high school in 1907, and continued his higher education in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, where he received the Bachelor of Science degree in 1911. He was a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. After coming out of college he took up business, and is now manager of the Springo Suspender Company of Greenfield. This industry was established in 1913, and manufactures suspenders. The first year's business amounted to $100,000, and in 1920 the volume of business amounted to a total of $200,000. Mr. Morehouse is also manager of the J. A. Harps Manufacturing Company, manufacturing a special product known as "Never Fail Oil Can," which is sold all over the United States. This business was started in 1902, the first year the volume reaching $50,000, while in 1920 it reached a business of $350,000.

During the World war Mr. Morehouse served as second lieutenant in the Three Hundred and Twenty-sixth Field Artillery, and had five months of overseas experience in France. He is a republican, is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a member of the Greenfield Rotary Club and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He is a director of the Greenfield Masonic Temple Company and is a past exalted ruler of Greenfield Lodge of Elks.

He married Miss Ruth Mae Harps, March 18, 1913, at Greenfield. She was educated in the public schools at Greenfield, and 1911 graduated from the Lady Jane Gray Private School at Binghampton, New York. She is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

JOHN F. EMANS, a member of the Lima bar, has been in the active practice of law here for seventeen years, an interval covering a most important period in the city's history. During these years Mr. Emans, professionally and otherwise, has always been found a supporter of law and order, and a hearty promoter of movements for the general welfare.

John F. Emans was born at Mendon, Mercer County, Ohio, February 29, 1876, a son of Christopher R. and Jennie (Sutton) Emans, and a grandson of John Emans and Levi Sutton, both of whom came early to Ohio from Pennsylvania and became large landowners and reputable citizens of Putnam County. The old farm of John Emans is the present site of the Putnam County Infirmary.

Christopher R. Emans was born in Putnam County, Ohio, and grew to manhood there. In 1874 he moved with his wife to Mercer County, buying a farm north of Mendon, but disposed of it three years later and purchased another farm situated but one mile north, near the Gross School, in order to provide better school privileges for his seven children, of whom John F. was the second born and eldest son. Mr. Emans operated this farm as long as he was active, and since retiring has resided at Mendon.

John F. Emans attended the public schools until he was seventeen years old, when, despite his youth, he secured a certificate and began to teach school, a profession for which he seemed well qualified, and one to which he several times later returned. After about two years of teaching he spent three years as a student in the Mendon High School and then took a summer course in the Normal School and taught during the winter. A course in the Tri-State Normal College in Indiana followed, his leisure time being taken up with law study under Hon. Charles M. Godfrey, an able lawyer and state Senator. Mr. Emans then entered the Ohio Northern University at Ada, from which he was graduated in 1903, with the Bachelor of Pedagogy degree, and in 1905 was graduated from the law department of the university, and the same year was admitted to the Ohio bar. Mr. Emans, however, did not immediately enter into practice, in fact he returned to his first profession and taught school for the next two years. In 1907 he established himself in the law at Lima, at first alone, but later in partnership with H. E. Garling. The law firm of Emans & Garling continued for three years and then was dissolved, with mutual good will, and since then Mr. Emans has been alone in practice. He maintains his offices in the Opera House Building at Lima, and in addition to attending to a large practice, does a very satisfactory abstract business.

Mr. Emans married, October 26, 1900, Miss Estella Custer, who belongs to the same old Mercer County family of that name to which also belonged the heroic General Custer of Indian warfare fame. Mr. and Mrs. Emans have one son, Erin Emerson, who is a student in the law department of the Ohio Northern University. Mr. Emans has never been particularly active in political life, his preference being professional, but he has settled convictions, and testifies to them when occasion demands. He is a member of the Allen County Bar Association, and belongs to the Masonic fraternity. Both he and wife are active members of the Presbyterian Church at Lima.

THEO. DAMAN. As lawyer, judge, banker and business man Hon. Theo. Daman has been a conspicuous figure in the City of Napoleon for thirty years. He is still engaged in the general practice of law, and is an officer in a number of business corporations.

Theo. Daman was born in Montra, Shelby County, Ohio, October 25, 1872, the oldest son of Louis and Anna (Schnoor) Dammann. His father was born in the Provinz of Hanover, Germany, came to America when a youth, graduated from the Theological Seminary of Capital University at Columbus, Ohio, and engaged in the ministry of the Lutheran Church. After occupying several pastorates in Ohio and Michigan he accepted the call of St. Paul's Lutheran Parish and moved to Napoleon in 1881. His pastoral activities at St. Paul's covered a period of thirty-five years of faithful service, and at his retirement from the ministry he was the oldest pastor in continuous service in Napoleon. He was widely known in Lutheran Church circles, and died July 30, 1920, at the age of seventy-eight years. His wife, born in Holstein, Germany, also came to America when young. She and her husband were married in Shelby County, Ohio, and reared a family of seven children, of whom two are now living. Albert Daman, the younger son, is cashier of the Napoleon State Bank.

Theo. Daman attended the public schools of Napoleon, where he has lived since he was nine years of age. Subsequently he further pursued his studies in Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, under such notable schoolmen as Doctor Lehr, Doctor Darst, Professor Workman and the present United States Senator Simeon D. Fess. Judge Daman also was a

student at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, under the venerable Dr. M. Loy. Upon completion of his schooling he followed for a time the trade of printer. Later he studied law, and in 1895 was admitted to the bar. He was engaged in the practice of law for ten years, until 1905, when he was elected judge of the Probate Court of Henry County, Ohio; at the time of his election he was the youngest probate judge in the state. He served seven years, until 1913, and thoroughly reorganized his office from the standpoint of efficiency. His excellent work attracted state-wide attention, and his fellow judges honored him by electing him secretary of the Probate Judges' Association of Ohio. In the year 1909 he became one of the founders of the Napoleon State Bank, and in 1913, upon retiring from the bench, he was elected president of that institution and remained its chief officer for five years. In addition to his law practice he is treasurer of the Napoleon Products Company, of which he was one of the organizers, and secretary of the Cash Coal & Coke Company, operating plants at Napoleon and Bryan, Ohio.

Judge Daman adheres to the old-fashioned civic principles that it is the duty of every loyal citizen to give something of his time and ability to the civic welfare of his home community. He served four years as a trustee of the Carnegie Public Library. He was a member of the first Board of Trustees of the Samuel M. Heller Memorial Hospital, and supervised the building and equipment of that institution. For a period of ten years he served as a member and president of the Board of Public Affairs, being largely instrumental in the construction of the city's water-purification plant, and in putting the municipal water and light plant on a paying basis.

On February 14, 1906, Judge Daman was united in marriage with Miss Nellie Brown, who was born and reared and educated in Napoleon, and before her marriage was official court stenographer of the Third Judicial District of Ohio. One child blessed the union, Miss Clara-Ellen, born July 18, 1908, and now attending the Napoleon High School. Mrs. Daman died August 21, 1916.

Judge Daman is a democrcat in politics, and is a member of the Lutheran Church.

Cletus E. Ditmer, of Greenville, Ohio, telegraph operator, joint employe of the Cincinnati Northern and Pennsylvania railways, is a native son of Darke County, and has manifested a great interest in the study and preservation of the history of that section of the state.

Mr. Ditmer was born near Pittsburgh, in Darke County, April 10, 1887, son of Jacob F. and Hettie E. (Surber) Ditmer. His mother was the daughter of Andrew J. and Susanna (Bower) Surber, natives of Virginia and Pennsylvania. Jacob F. Ditmer spent his active life as a farmer and contractor and builder.

All the ancestors of Mr. Ditmer were farmers. His grandfather, John Ditmer, was born in 1834 and his great-grandfather, George Ditmer, Sr., in 1813, he was one of the pioneers of Monroe Township, Darke County. George Ditmer, Sr., his grandfather, Frederick Ditmer, was a Revolutionary soldier, and was a member of the Provincial Regiment of Pennsylvania. During one of the engagements of the war he with two other brothers were standing together in consultation, when all of a sudden the one in the center was instantly killed by a cannon ball and his body torn to fragments. This scene presented a horrible and sickening sight to the other two surviving brothers.

Cletus E. Ditmer attended public school, and since the close of his school days, with the exception of about four years in the insurance business, has been continuously in the services of the Cincinnati Northern and Pennsylvania Railway companies.

He married Miss Celia Hinkle, daughter of Clark Hinkle, one of Darke County's highly respected citizens. He served as a Union soldier in the Civil war, in the Ninety-fourth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and took an active part in all the engagements of his regiment, numbering twenty-seven.

Mr. Ditmer is affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose, and is local chairman of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers of the Cincinnati Northern Division, Big Four Railway (New York Central Lines), having served in this capacity during the past five years.

He was a charter member of the old Darke County Historical Society, and is trustee of the Greenville Historical Society. He probably has the best selection of autographed letters in Ohio, these being letters in the personal handwritings of prominent Americans from George Washington to Calvin Coolidge. He has a large selection of histories and other documents reflecting the life and annals of his home state and the Old Northwest Territory.

He possesses one of the rarest selections of personal war letters of Generals Anthony Wayne, St. Clair, Greene and others pertaining to the Revolutionary war and the Northwest Territory. He is considered an authority on Generals Wayne and St. Clair and the early Indian wars following the Revolutionary war in the Old Northwest Territory.

He was chosen by the pageant director from the membership of the Greenville Historical Society, to play the important roll, Gen. Anthony Wayne, in the Historical Pathway of Progress, under the auspices of the American Legion. This was staged in the center field of the Great Darke County Fair Grounds on July 3 and 4, 1924. This pageant showed the early life of Greenville and vicinity from the Redmen to the present day, and it is estimated that between ten and fifteen thousand persons witnessed this great pageant, one of the largest ever held in Ohio.

Hon. Charles J. Thompson. An editor and publisher at Defiance for many years, former postmaster, Charles J. Thompson is now in his fourth consecutive term as representative of the Fifth Ohio District in Congress. He has become one of the influential members of the Ohio delegation at Washington.

Mr. Thompson was born at Wapakoneta, Ohio, February 24, 1862, son of James and Emily (Sallada) Thompson. Much of his early education he had to acquire through his own efforts. He attended high school, and during 1881-82 was a student in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He learned the printer's trade, and was employed as editor on the Herald at Anderson, Indiana, during the Blaine and Logan campaign of 1884. From 1885 to 1889 he was cashier and bookkeeper of the Wapakoneta Wheel Works. Mr. Thompson in 1889 bought the Defiance Weekly Express, and in 1894 established a daily edition and continued the publication for thirteen years. During 1893-94 he was a member of the Republican State Central Committee, being on the committee when William McKinley was governor of Ohio. He became a close personal friend of such notable Ohio men as Foraker, McKinley and Hanna. When Mr. McKinley was elected president Mr. Thompson was appointed postmaster of Defiance, on May 10, 1898, and he held that office consecutively for seventeen years, under Roosevelt and Taft. While he was postmaster he was instrumental in securing the influence of Senators Foraker and Dick in obtaining appropriations for the postoffice building at Defiance, and it is now one of the most beautiful Federal buildings in the state. In 1918 Mr. Thompson was elected to

represent the Fifth Ohio District in Congress, and has been four times reelected, serving in the Sixty-sixth, Sixty-seventh, Sixty-eighth and Sixty-ninth Congresses. In the Sixty-seventh Congress he was made a member of the committee on agriculture.

On November 16, 1886, Mr. Thompson married Miss Cora Anna Craig, of Wapakoneta. She died December 1, 1923. They were the parents of four sons: Lewis B., a graduate of Defiance College; Fred S., who graduated from Defiance College and from Case School of Applied Science of Cleveland, has the degree Chemical Engineer and is now with the Cleveland headquarters of the General Electric Company; Lieut. Samuel C. Thompson is a graduate of Miami University at Oxford, Ohio; and Charles J., Jr., is a graduate of Defiance High School and clerk in the Defiance postoffice. Mr. Thompson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is a Knight Templar, thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a Shriner. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Pythias, and is a past exalted ruler of the Elks, and former District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler. He is a member of the Defiance Club, and is a past president of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and a member of the Knights of the Maccabees.

Isaac Putnam, of Van Wert, is one of a notable family, remarkable for the fact that all the children, six sons and two daughters living, are in the contracting business, the husbands of the two daughters following that line. The father of these children was also a contractor. During the past twenty years a large part of the modern road building in Van Wert, Ohio, has been handled by members of this family, working together or individually.

Isaac Putnam was born on a farm in Liberty Township of Van Wert County, April 12, 1885, son of Solomon and Mary (Brubaker) Putnam. His mother, still living, was born in Liberty Township, July 26, 1860. His father was born in Mercer County, Ohio, March 12, 1858, was reared and educated there, and after his marriage located on a farm in Van Wert County. While engaged in farming he began contracting on a modest scale, and about twenty years ago, in 1903, took some contracts for road building from the Erie Stone Company, and he gradually extended his business, taking in his sons, and was active in that work until his death in 1923. He was a republican, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Van Wert, and the United Brethren Church. Altogether there were nine children, and the eight now living are: Peter, of New Haven, Indiana, who married Gertrude Williams; Isaac; N. B. Putnam, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, who married Sina Shingledecker; Arthur, of Marion, Indiana, who married Edna Davis; Sherman, of Van Wert, who married Hazel Fouty; Edgar, of Van Wert, who married Elsie Smith; Bertha, wife of Peter Shingledecker; and Ella, wife of Homer Frysinger, of Rockford, Ohio.

Isaac Putnam spent the first twenty-one years of his life on the homestead farm. He was educated in the public schools, and at the age of nineteen went to work for his father in the contracting business. The Putnam family have built the Lincoln Highway across the counties of Van Wert and Paulding except one mile of that famous thoroughfare.

Mr. Isaac Putnam married Clennie M. Switzer, eldest daughter of William and Ada Switzer. They have one daughter, Virginia, born August 16, 1918, and has given a home to one orphan, Miss Edith Glen. They are members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Van Wert, and fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he votes as a republican.

Joseph N. Stephenson has given fully a third of a century to the profession of educator in Ohio. A third of that time has been devoted to his duties as superintendent of the Ripley High School in Brown County, a high school which he himself attended when a boy. This is a consolidated school with fourteen teachers, including the superintendent, there being four instructors in the high school. Twenty-two were graduated from the high school in 1924, and the total enrollment in the high school and grades is 378.

Mr. Stephenson is a native of Ripley, Ohio, son of Thomas and Elmira (Wiles) Stephenson, both now deceased. His father was a farmer, and Joseph N. grew up in a rural district, attending public schools at Ripley and graduating from high school in 1888. Since then he has been teaching, and from time to time has supplemented his own education by courses in various universities, including Ohio University, the National Normal University, Miami University and the Ohio Northern University. In 1902 he graduated from Draughan's Business College. His early experience was teaching in rural schools, and following that he was superintendent of schools at Aberdeen and Higginsport, Ohio. For the past eleven years he has been in charge of the schools at Ripley.

Mr. Stephenson is also a director of the Ripley Building and Loan Company. He is a Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Daniel Webster Shumaker, M. D. Graduated in medicine in 1898, Doctor Shumaker for a number of years was engaged in general practice. His abilities early distinguished him in surgery and his attainments brought him early recognition in election as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Doctor Shumaker for a number of years has had his home and professional headquarters at Dover, Tuscarawas County.

He was born in Holmes County, Ohio, March 19, 1870, son of Frederick and Elizabeth (Lembrecht) Shumaker, both natives of Tuscarawas County. His grandfather, also Frederick Shumaker, was born in the Rhine country of Germany, and coming to the United States in 1832, at the age of twenty-five, became a pioneer settler in Tuscarawas County. Elizabeth Lembrecht was a daughter of Daniel Lembrecht, a native of Alsace-Lorraine, of French ancestry. Daniel Lembrecht came to the United States in 1833 and settled in Tuscarawas County. He became a staunch republican upon the organization of that party, and did much to support the Union cause during the Civil war. The father of Doctor Shumaker pursued his calling as a farmer in the town of Baltic, and died at his home there in 1891, at the age of sixty-one. His widow passed away in 1905, aged seventy-one. Frederick Shumaker besides farming was a school teacher and stone mason contractor, and built many stone bridges and homes in Tuscarawas County.

Eighth in a family of thirteen children, Daniel Webster Shumaker was reared in a rural community, and after the advantages of home and neighboring schools had to depend upon himself for his higher education and training. He graduated from the Baltic High School in 1888. For seven years he gave most of his time to teaching. After graduating in 1894 from Scio College he served a year as superintendent of the public schools at Wilmot, Ohio. He pursued his medical course at the Ohio Medical University, now the medical department of the Ohio State University, and was graduated in 1898. For two years he practiced at Sugar Creek and five years at Bedford, Ohio, and in 1907, following a course in the Chicago Post Graduate School of Medicine, he located at Dover. Since

then his practice has been limited to surgery. It was in 1914 that he was made a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, not long after the college was organized. Doctor Shumaker is also a member of the Tuscarawas County and Ohio State Medical societies and is a Fellow of the Cleveland Academy of Medicine. During the World war he volunteered his services to the Medical Department of the United States Army, and was placed on the volunteer service list, but was not called to active duty. He is a republican, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Knights of Honor, and is a Lutheran.

Doctor Shumaker married in 1893 Miss Catherine Garver, who died in 1907, the mother of three daughters: Melba N., a graduate with the Bachelor of Arts degree from the Western Reserve University, now the wife of Howard Walter, of New Philadelphia; Hazel I., wife of Rowland Thomas, of New Philadelphia; and Miss Florence A. In 1920 Doctor Shumaker married Mrs. Matie McCullough. They have a son, Daniel Webster Shumaker, Jr.

Isaac N. Hemminger, editor in chief and business manager of the Findlay Morning Republican in the City of Findlay, Hancock County, has proved himself one of the able, resourceful and successful newspaper men of his native state. He was born on a farm in Allen Township, Hancock County, Ohio, January 30, 1868, and is a son of Ephraim M. and Rosetta (Weisel) Hemminger. Ephraim M. Hemminger was born in Stark County, Ohio, a representative of one of the sterling pioneer families of that county, and his higher education was obtained in Otterbein College, which is now one of the well ordered universities of Ohio. He gave a number of years to effective service as a teacher in the public schools, but the major portion of his active career was marked by his close and effective association with farm industry. He was one of the substantial and honored citizens of Hancock County at the time of his death. His political allegiance was given to the republican party, and both he and his wife were zealous members of the United Brethren Church.

The early environment and discipline of Isaac N. Hemminger were those of the home farm, and after receiving the advantages of the public schools he entered Findlay College. In this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1890 and with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy, to which in 1893 was added that of Master of Philosophy. He forthwith became associated with the newspaper business in the capacity of city editor of the Findlay Morning Republican. He retained this position two years, at the expiration of which he purchased the plant and business of the Bluffton News, at Bluffton, Allen County. He continued as editor and publisher of this weekly paper eight years, and he then sold the business and purchased a one-third interest in the Findlay Morning Republican, of which he became business manager and of which he is now editor in chief and business manager. Mr. Hemminger has done much to bring the Republican up to high standard as one of the well ordered and influential daily newspapers in the Ohio field, and has been specially insistent in his efforts to make the paper a worthy exponent of the varied interests of the Ohio constituent district which it represents and in which it has a large circulation. Through his paper he has been influential also in the advancing of the cause of the republican party. The Findlay Morning Republican is published by the Findlay Publishing Company, of which Mr. Hemminger is president, his son, R. Lowell, being its vice president, John D. Snyder being its secretary, and the president being likewise its treasurer, the directorate of the company including also Lloyd N. Hemminger and Mrs. Grace Wormley. Mr. Hemminger is one of the liberal and progressive citizens of his home city and native county and is a trustee of his alma mater, Findlay College.

November 6, 1890, recorded the marriage of Mr. Hemminger and Miss Elizabeth Burrell, and they have three children: R. Lowell, who is vice president of the Findlay Publishing Company, as already noted, is also managing editor of the Findlay Morning Republican. He is a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Lloyd N., a graduate of Columbia Military Academy, at Columbia, Tennessee, is assistant business and advertising manager of the Findlay Morning Republican, and Sarah E. is a member of the class of 1926 in the Findlay High School. The religious affiliation of the family is with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

George E. Orebaugh, M. D., physician and surgeon of Norwood, is one of the highly skilled and resourceful men of his profession now practicing in Hamilton County, and one who enjoys the full confidence of the people of this region. He was born at Hillsboro, Ohio, July 25, 1871, a son of John M. and Maggie (Wilkins) Orebaugh, the latter of whom is still living, but the former died about seven years ago, having been up to the time of his demise a popular educator.

After completing his courses in the Lynchburg High School Doctor Orebaugh took up the study of medicine at the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery, from which he was graduated in 1898. In 1908 he took post-graduate work in medicine at the University of New York. While he is engaged in a general practice, he specializes in rectal surgery, in which he took special courses at New York City and Chicago. His practice in his specialty now extends as far as Cleveland, Ohio, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Louisville, Kentucky, and Indianapolis, Indiana, and he is fast becoming a national figure in this line. Formerly he was physician for a number of the larger corporations at Norwood and Cincinnati, but has severed these connections owing to the increase in his practice in rectal surgery. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and has been advanced through the different bodies of the York Rite as well, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Modern Woodmen of America. Professionally he maintains membership with the Academy of Medicine and the Ohio State Medical Society. He is examiner for a number of the larger insurance companies. At different times he has contributed papers to the leading medical journals relative to special cases which have come under his care, which are a valuable addition to medical literature. The Methodist Episcopal Church holds his membership.

Doctor Orebaugh married at Norwood, in 1922, Miss Hazel Sicler, a daughter of Jacob and Eva L. Sicler. Mr. Sicler died many years ago, but Mrs. Sicler has been for a long period a prominent teacher of the public schools of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mrs. Orebaugh was graduated from the Norwood High School, and further pursued her studies at Cincinnati. She is very active socially, as well as in the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which she, too, is a member.

Oscar L. Teagarden, manager of the cost department of the Sears-Nichols Canning Company of Chillicothe, the largest canning industry in Ohio, was in the World war and is present commander of the American Legion Post at Chillicothe.

He was born at Wheeling, West Virginia, February 24, 1892, son of Jefferson Davis and Ida L. (Ash) Teagarden, and grandson of Samuel and Anna (Batten) Teagarden and of Samuel and Harriet Ash.

The Teagarden family is of German ancestry and settled in Virginia prior to the Revolutionary war. The Ash family came from Ireland in the early part of the last century and located at Littleton, West Virginia. Jefferson D. Teagarden, who died May 5, 1920, was a West Virginia farmer and coal buyer, and very active in public affairs. He was affiliated with the Masonic Order and Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Christian Church. His widow is still living in West Virginia. They had five children: Arlie, wife of Joseph Harrington; Ross, who is married; Oscar L.; Goldie, wife of Charles Stoneking; and Miss Oressa.

Oscar L. Teagarden attended the public schools in Wheeling, graduated from high school in 1907, and subsequently entered Marietta College, Ohio, taking the business course and graduating in 1912. For eight years he was an employe of the Wheeling Canning Company at Wheeling, and became manager of the order department.

He gave up his business connections and enlisted May 31, 1917, being trained at Camp Lee, Virginia, where he was sergeant in the Depot Brigade, Quartermaster's Department, and subsequently was transferred to the Eighth Battalion of Infantry as regimental sergeant-major in the headquarters company. He was there from August, 1917, to December, 1918, and received his honorable discharge December 5. After leaving the army he resumed his work with the Canning Company at Wheeling. His thorough knowledge of the business department of the canning industry brought him the offer to come to Chillicothe, where in May, 1920, he entered upon his duties as manager of the cost department of the Sears-Nichols Company, an industry that has been in existence for over forty years and has specialized in the packing of the highest grades of vegetables in tin and glass, the products of the company being sold and distributed wherever the finest of groceries are sold.

Mr. Teagarden married, July 18, 1917, at Wheeling, West Virginia, Miss Alma Nolan, daughter of Lawrence and Elizabeth (Farmer) Nolan. Her father was a chemist for the National Tube Company of the United States Steel Corporation, and Catholic in religion. In the Nolan family are thirteen children, all living, named Emma, Anna, May, Elizabeth, Loretta, Josephine, Alma, Julia, Edna, Margaret, Agnes, Lawrence and Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Teagarden have one son, Oscar L., Jr. Mr. Teagarden since coming to Chillicothe has been honored with election as commander of Ross County Post No. 62 of the American Legion. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Christian Church.

Clifton G. Stream, who became the republican candidate for sheriff of Knox County in 1924, has for many years been a resident of Mount Vernon, and is well known in business as well as in politics.

He was born near Newark, in Licking County, Ohio, son of Oliver and Catherine (James) Stream, who still reside at Newark. Clifton G. Stream was the seventh in a family of nine children, and grew up on a farm, receiving his early education in country schools. On leaving the farm he worked in the Warley Store Company of Newark, learning his trade as a brass and metal polisher. He was with that firm ten years, from there moving to Mount Vernon. He became connected with the C. and G. Cooper Company, giving them nine years time. He left them when he bought an automobile bus line, which he still operates between Mount Vernon, Howard and Danville. He uses three large up-to-date passenger cars, and has made it one of the best examples of motor service in this section of Ohio. Mr. Stream also owns his home at 701 West Sugar Street.

In 1920 he was republican candidate for sheriff. In 1924 he gained the republican nomination after a contest with five other aspirants. He is affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose, and he and his wife are members of the Church of Christ.

Mr. Stream married, in 1904, Miss Goldie Lane, of Newark, daughter of William H. and Jennie (Mummau) Lane. They have one son, Thornley, born in 1906, who graduated in 1924 from the Mount Vernon High School, and is now employed by the Jewel Creamery Company.

Edward H. Cost has been the efficient and popular local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company's offices in the City of Mansfield since 1918, and for fourteen years prior to being assigned to this place he had been in the service of the same company at Xenia, this state. His advancement has been the result of faithful and efficient service with this great corporation, and he is a most popular executive in his present post, in connection with which is retained a corps of ten employes. Mr. Cost has identified himself fully and loyally with the interests of his home city, is a member of the Mansfield Board of Education, and is secretary of the Richland County Republican Club, besides having served as secretary of the local Kiwanis Club, in the affairs of which he continues to have deep interest.

Mrs. D. Harry Hammer. Born in Ohio, but many years ago transplanted to Chicago, Mrs. D. Harry Hammer has cherished her affection for her native state, and her accomplishments as an art collector, as a writer and speaker have brought her distinction that make her one of the most noted of Ohio's native daughters.

Her maiden name was Mary Amaryllis Bower. He was born in Pike County, but was reared near Athens, in Athens County, Ohio. Her parents were Moses and Delitha (Rew) Bower. Mrs. Hammer was educated in the Miller Seminary at Guysville, and Russell Carpenter of Athens County. Mr. Carpenter was a veteran of the Civil war. He had enlisted at the age of sixteen, his size enabling him to pass inspection at eighteen, the minimum age for enlistment. He was promoted to and attained the rank of captain in the Eighteenth Ohio Infantry. He served nearly five years, throughout the war period, and when he was discharged in 1865 he had just reached the age of twenty-one. By her first marriage Mrs. Hammer had one daughter, Mrs. Maud Freshel, now living at Boston, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Hammer came to Chicago in 1874. Subsequently she was married to D. Harry Hammer, who died in 1904. Mr. Hammer was a prominent Chicago lawyer, served several years as an alderman, was a justice of the peace, and held various positions in public affairs. He made a considerable fortune in real estate.

Mrs. Hammer for a number of years has occupied a beautiful home at 3903 Lake Park Avenue, Chicago. By her marriage to Mr. Hammer she has a son and a daughter: D. Harry Hammer II, in the bond business in Chicago, and Hazel Harry, wife of Lucius Humphreys, of Denver Colorado. Her son was a naval volunteer in the World war and rose to the rank of lieutenant, and still maintains his connection with the navy.

For many years Mrs. Hammer has been a conspicuous figure in society and club life in Chicago and a leader in worthy civic affairs. She organized and was the first president of the Mothers' Relief Association. She is the former president of the Illinois Colony Club, which had over twelve hundred

members. She is a past president of the Dames of the Loyal Legion of Illinois; president of the Poetry Lovers of America; president of the Andoka Philanthropic Club, member of the Illinois Woman's Press Association; a member of the Woman's Athletic Club, the Chicago Woman's Club, and president of the Colonial Coverlet Guild of America.

Mrs. Hammer organized in 1914 the Chicago Society of Ohio Women, and was elected its first president. She held that office for three years, and in May, 1923, was again elected president of this notable organization, which includes about two hundred and twenty-five members, all of them natives of the great State of Ohio.

Mrs. Hammer for many years has been an extensive writer, writing on a great variety of subjects, mainly matters connected with art and civic affairs. She possesses a style that is very individual, and that style, combined with her keen sense of humor, also gives power to her work as a public speaker. In February, 1920, when the Chicago Society of Ohio Women gave a reception in Chicago to Senator and Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Hammer introduced the Senator to a Chicago audience as "our next President," a prediction full verified in the following November election.

However, the object of her greatest and most sustained enthusiasm has been the collection of art objects, and the world of art and art critics have paid her some of the highest compliments for her collections of etchings, cartoons, posters, brass, bric-a-brac. She became interested in collecting many years ago. She and Mr. Hammer spent some ten years in England, with numerous visits and excursions to all the capitals and interesting places of Europe, India and Asia. Since then her travels have included all the principal cities of America. In all her journeying she has kept a watchful and eager eye for the objects cherished by the collector. The result is that her home in Chicago has treasures that make it the mecca for art lovers.

Perhaps the most notable feature of her art treasures is her collection of cartoons of Uncle Sam. She began collecting these in 1897, and the Spanish-American war of the following year, with the numerous representations of Uncle Sam in the newspapers, gave her a splendid start. In her researches she discovered that the picture of Uncle Sam had its beginning in 1842, with a drawing of "Brother Jonathan" in London Punch, of which she secured a copy. She also found that the first delineation in America of "Uncle Sam" as the world has since known him appeared in "The Lantern," in New York, in 1852. Through the aid of clipping bureaus and thoughtful friends she has continued this collection of Uncle Sam cartoons until they now number almost 40,000, all mounted, classified and indexed, and covering all periods of American history since 1852. This is in itself a rare and notable gallery.

Her collections of cartoons of a general nature include those of such great artists as Sir John Tenniel of London (including cartoons of almost the entire history of the Victorian reign), and of such great American cartoonists as Nast, Keppler, Wales, Bellew, and such moderns as Homer Davenport, McCutcheon, Gibson, Carey Orr and others. Through her interest and work as a collector Mrs. Hammer has found personal friends in many of the modern artists, and for a number of years they have been sending her the originals of their cartoons. Beginning in 1914, she made a collection of cartoons of the World war, comprising from two to eleven for each day from August, 1914, to 1920, and these afford a graphic history of that long struggle. It is said that from these a graphic history of the great struggle could be written.

Her collection of etchings numbers about 500, and include examples by all the great artists of the world. One of the rarest and most treasured is one by Bartolozzi after Cipriani. Other artists represented in her etchings are Rembrandt, Albrecht Durer, Whistler and Seymour Haden. It has been pronounced one of the finest private collections of etchings in the world.

As a collector of brass Mrs. Hammer has specialized in bells. These are suggestive of romance and essential in every part of the world, and they aggregate in number about 300. As Mrs. Hammer herself has expressed it, her bells would "chime around the world."

She has cow bells, camel bells, sheep bells, church bells, from Ceylon, Benares, Mandalay, Syria, Thibet and the southern coast of Asia Minor, Italy, France, England and other countries, including a marriage bell used in connection with a wedding ceremony in India.

Her collection of brass, said to be the largest in the Middle West, includes brass lamps, candle sticks, braziers from Turkey and other parts of the Orient, and other objects of art in brass gathered from every part of the globe, including Russian urns and samovars, Circassian wine jugs, Japanese garden lamps.

Mrs. Hammer has collected about 100 tobeys (ale mugs), gathered for the most part in England. She also has collected a number of Colonial bed spreads, and one department of her gallery which cannot be noted in detail is a collection of posters.

VAN DEVENDER WELLS, manager of the Imperial Ice Cream Company at Steubenville, is one of the enterprising younger men who have added themselves to the business and civic community of this Eastern Ohio city. He is a native of West Virginia and represents families of Colonial ancestry.

He was born at Elizabeth, West Virginia, February 22, 1891 son of Albert and Louise (Van Devender) Wells. His mother is living. His father, who died November 22, 1910, was a man of unusual activity, participating in business and public affairs. He was in the timber and lumber business for many years, being a logging contractor as well as a manufacturer. He took an active part in the Baptist Church, serving as a trustee of his home denomination, and was a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. He and his wife had two sons and three daughters. The son Charles A., with his wife, Connie, has three sons, named Charles A., Jr., Norwood and William. Carrie married C. L. McCarty, and is living in Columbus, Ohio; Nellie, who is the wife of William H. Herrmans, has a family of children named William, Edgar, Wells, Sarah Louise, Helen, Nell Gene and Bettie Ann. The youngest daughter, Clyda, married Fred I. Blue.

Van Devender Wells attended public school at Parkersburg, West Virginia, graduating from high school in 1910, and for two years continued his education in Broadus Institute, West Virginia. On taking up business he became a produce dealer at Parkersburg, but after a year sold out and then became purchasing agent for Swift & Company's produce department at Cincinnati. After a year he came to Steubenville, and has been manager of the Imperial Ice Cream Company since January, 1922.

He married at Oakland, Maryland, October 8, 1913, Miss Virginia Smith, daughter of A. Hunter Smith and Leonora (Kight) Smith, of Parkersburg. She was the only child of her parents. Her father was professor of mathematics in the Virginia Military Institute, and after resigning took up the insurance business and is now retired. He represents an old Virginia family. The Smiths were of the Epis-

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copal Church and her great-grandfather established the church of that denomination at Parkersburg and his body rests under a vault in the new church. The Smiths were of Revolutionary war stock. Mr. and Mrs. Wells have three children: Van Devender, Jr., Louise and Marjorie. They are members of the Episcopal Church, and Mr. Wells is affiliated with the Chamber of Commerce, Century Club and United Commercial Travelers. During the World war he was registered and put in class four.

BENJAMIN SNIVELY MOTTER. In Benjamin Snively Motter, one of the able younger members of the bar at Lima, a name is perpetuated in the city's legal history that has long been known and honored here. Mr. Motter is a member of the prominent law firm of Goeke & Motter, and is a member of the County, State and American Bar associations.

Benjamin Snively Motter was born at Lima, Ohio, January 20, 1893, only son of Isaac Snively and Harriet Amelia (Weily) Motter, and grandson of Isaac Motter, who was born and lived in Maryland. His father was the pioneer of the Motter family in that state, where he acquired much land, one of his purchases being known as Ringold Manor. His son Isaac inherited that properly and improved it, and it is yet owned by his descendants. Isaac Motter married Mary Snively, of Greencastle, Pennsylvania, a member of a very old and prominent family in Pennsylvania, of Swiss extraction. Her father was a politician of note and served in the Pennsylvania Legislature.

Isaac Snively Motter, so well and favorably known at Lima for many years, was born at Williamsport, Washington County, Maryland, in 1852, and died at Lima, Ohio, March 21, 1907. He was a man of scholarship and intellectual strength. Private tutors directed his studies in early years, after which he spent five years as a student in Roanoke College, Virginia, from which institution he was graduated in 1872. Making choice of the law as a profession, he began study in the office of his uncle, Judge William Motter, at Hagerstown, and later under the supervision of Col. George Schley, of the same family to which the distinguished Admiral Schley of the United States Navy belonged. In 1877 he was admitted to the bar and became a member of the law firm of Schley & Motter at Hagerstown, where he continued until 1881, when he came to Lima. A short time afterward he formed a law partnership in this city with William Leonard MacKenzie, under the firm name of Motter & MacKenzie, which became one of the leading law firms at Lima. In 1887 Mr. Motter was elected prosecuting attorney of Allen County and served for six years. Of pleasing personality and with the gift of oratory, Mr. Motter was as convincing in the political field as at the bar, and in 1894, as chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of the County, conducted successfully one of the most important campaigns in the political history of the county.

Isaac Snively Motter married at Lima, November 18, 1886, Harriet Amelia Weily, daughter of John H. and Catherine (Fisher) Weily. They had but one child, Benjamin S. Motter. They were life long and consistent members of the Lutheran Church. In fraternal life Mr. Motter was both a Mason and Odd Fellow.

Benjamin Snively Motter attended the public schools at Lima prior to entering the Miami Military School at Germantown, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1912. Ann Arbor, Michigan, came next, and his Bachelor of Arts degree was secured from the university in 1916, and his graduation from the law school came two years later. In 1918 he was admitted to the Ohio bar. He opened a law office at Lima and practiced alone until 1920, when he became junior partner with Hon. J. Henry Goeke, in the law firm of Goeke & Motter, and not alone inherited tendency has been a factor in his professional success, but natural talent, thorough preparation and conscientious professional devotion have brought him public confidence as well as substantial reward. He is a member of the Lutheran Church.

FRANK R. BELL was one of Hancock County's soldiers in the World war, and before going into the army and since he has been identified with road building, and is now assistant division engineer of the State Highway Department, located at Findlay.

Mr. Bell was born at Findlay, May 31, 1894. He represents an old Ohio family. His great-grandfather, Jack Bell, was born in Fairfield County. His grandfather, Alfred Bell, was also a native of Fairfield County and an early settler in Hancock County. Marion Bell was born near Mt. Blanchard, in Hancock County, November 23, 1856, was reared on a farm, and as a young man he was employed for a time by a horse trader, and through all his active years has been more or less closely identified with the business of buying herds and is still active in that work at Findlay. In 1891 he married Sarah E. Ake, daughter of Grundy Ake. She was born in Bedford, Pennsylvania, but was reared in Ohio. Marion Bell is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Knights of Pythias, is a Republican, and his wife is a member of the First Lutheran Church.

Frank R. Bell, only child of his parents, has a half sister, the child of his father's first marriage, Eva, now the wife of Tolvos F. Bock, living in Los Angeles, California.

Frank R. Bell was reared in Findlay, was educated in the grammar and high schools and in Findlay College, and as a youth he had two years' experience in road building. Early in the period of America's participation in the World war he enlisted and served with the Thirty-seventh Division, made up of Ohio troops. He was overseas nearly a year, and after his return he was for a short time an employe of the National Supply Company and then joined the Dorsey Construction Company in road building. Governor Davis appointed him assistant division engineer of the State Highway Department and he continues to serve in that capacity.

Mr. Bell, who is unmarried, is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, is a Mason, Knight of Pythias and Elks, and in politics is a republican.

DANA D. LIVINGSTON is a Columbus business man, a contractor and builder, a carpenter in his early years, and by a thorough knowledge of the building art and the faculty of organizing and executing contracts has become one of the successful men in his line in the city.

Mr. Livingston was born at Delaware, Ohio, in 1884, son of E. W. and Mary Susannah (Young) Livingston. His parents were born in Ohio. His father was a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and for a number of years enjoyed a high place in educational circles. He was a professor in various colleges and schools. In 1890 he moved with his family to Columbus, where he engaged in the real estate business.

Dana D. Livingston has lived at Columbus since early childhood, and finished his public school education there. He began learning the carpenter's trade when a boy, and was employed for several years as a journeyman, at first taking modest contracts, while within his ability and financial resources he has found his business growing rapidly in recent years

so that he has contributed an important share to the modern upbuilding of Columbus. Among the more prominent structures erected by him in late years are the Third Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, the American Educational Press Building, the store of the J. M. Caren Company, the building occupied by the W. H. Conklin Company on Grant Avenue and the Ralston Building at 42 East Gay Street.

Mr. Livingston has made a conspicuous financial success in the handling of down town business property, both as an owner and dealer. He has a spacious country home with forty-five acres of land on the Sunbury Pike, immediately northeast of Columbus.

Mr. Livingston married Miss Blanch Edna Plimmer. Her father was a native of England, came to Columbus as a youth, and for many years was one of the prominent contractors and builders of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Livingston have two children, Robert Dana and Doris Jean.

JOHN CHARLES SCHUTZBACH, M. D. During the more than thirty-three years he has been in practice Dr. John Charles Schutzbach, of Strasburg, has ministered to the people of this vicinity, and while doing so has not only won appreciation as a skilled physician and surgeon, but also the friendship and respect of his fellow citizens. For several years he served as secretary of the State Bank at Strasburg, and for the past five years has been its president, so that he is one of the best known men of Tuscarawas County.

Doctor Schutzbach was born at New Bedford, Coshocton County, Ohio, February 17, 1869, a son of Francis X. and Rachel (Holderbaum) Schutzbach. Francis X. Schutzbach was born in Germany, but came to the United States when he was sixteen years old, and here learned the trade of a painter. He married a native of Coshocton County, in which her parents settled upon coming from Pennsylvania to Ohio, and they spent their married life at New Bedford.

Growing up at New Bedford, Doctor Schutzbach attended the local schools, and then for two years was a school teacher. In this way he earned the money with which to begin his medical studies. For two terms he attended medical lectures in the Wooster Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, and then entered the Columbus Medical College, since merged into the Ohio State University, and from this institution received his degree of Doctor of Medicine in March, 1891. On April 1 of that same year he located at Strasburg, where he has since been engaged in an active practice, and built up a very large connection. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. In politics he is a republican. His church connections are those he maintains with the First Lutheran Church at Strasburg. Fraternally he is a Knight Templar Mason, a Woodman, Maccabee, and has been a Knight of Pythias for years.

In 1892 Doctor Schutzbach married Althea Burky, a native of Tuscarawas County, and they have three daughters: Gertrude, who was graduated from the Ohio State University, taught languages for some years, and is now the wife of B. C. Miller, of Painesville, Ohio; Edith, who was graduated from the Cleveland Art School, is now teaching art at Elyria, Ohio; and Lucile, who is a junior in Wooster College.

WILLIAM S. SNOOK is one of the very best known citizens of Hancock County, where for many years he was successfully engaged in educational work, and for nearly twenty years has been an able member of the Findlay bar. He is the present city solicitor of Findlay.

Mr. Snook was born in Ridge Township, Wyandot County, Ohio, December 27, 1870, son of William and Nancy (Starr) Snook. His father was born in Perry County, Ohio, September 13, 1825, and his mother, in Fairfield County, in 1833. They were married in Hancock County, then located there, spent some years in Wyandot County, and then returned to Hancock, and in 1877 located in the Village of Vanlue, where they spent the rest of their years. The mother died there in 1910. William Snook was a carpenter by trade, and did a great deal of work in the country and in towns in Hancock and Wyandot counties. He and his wife were very active and devout members of the United Brethren Church, and he was a republican. He served as a member of the Council of the Village of Vanlue. In the family were eight sons and one daughter: Marion, a minister of the Congregational Church at Greenwich, Ohio; J. J., agent for the Big Four Railroad Company at Vanlue; Frank, a farmer in Hancock County; George W., a retired farmer at Vanlue; Lindsay, city auditor of Norwalk, Ohio; James L., a Hancock County farmer; Wilda, wife of Salem Walters, of Vanlue; William S.; and Logan A., who graduated from the University of Michigan and died at Sandusky, Ohio, in 1902.

William S. Snook was a boy when his parents located at Vanlue, and was reared in that village, graduating from the high school in 1888. For twelve years he was one of the able educators in this section of Ohio, and during that time he served as superintendent of schools at Dupont and at two other villages. Mr. Snook took his law course in the University of Michigan, graduating Bachelor of Laws in 1905. For about four years he was engaged in practice at Sandusky, and since then has been at Findlay. For four years he was associated in partnership with Judge John D. Snyder, and since then has carried on an extensive private practice alone. Mr. Snook was elected city solicitor in 1921 for the two year term ending January 1, 1924. He is a republican in politics.

Mr. Snook married Dora E. Platts, a graduate of high school and of the Ewing College of Music at Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. They had two children, William K. and Caroline E. Mr. Snook and family are members of the First Lutheran Church at Findlay, and he is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias and a member of the Order of Moose.

CARL H. NEVILLE. Although one of the more recent additions to the bar of Lima, Carl H. Neville has won the confidence of the public and the respect of his fellow practitioners, and is recognized as an able attorney and splendid citizen. He was born at Roundhead, Hardin County, Ohio, July 31, 1896, a son of Wesley L. Neville, grandson of John S. Neville, and great-grandson of Samuel and Marie (Murphy) Neville, of Virginia, who in 1837 came to Ohio by wagon and settled at Bellefontaine, where he worked at his trade as a saddler. Subsequently Samuel Neville moved to Roundhead, Hardin County. His son, John S. Neville, was born in Virginia, and became a physician. After beginning his practice he was at Saint Johns, Auglaize County, Ohio, until 1875, when he moved to Roundhead, Hardin County. There his wife, who was formerly Miss Mary J. Dinehart, a native of Shelby County, Ohio, died in 1895, and there he died in 1903, having continued in active practice until his death.

Wesley L. Neville was born at Saint Johns, Auglaize County, Ohio. Following the completion of his public school education he attended the Normal University at Ada, Ohio, and subsequently became a student of Sterling Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1891. Entering upon a general practice at Roundhead, he remained there until 1906, when he came to Lima, and here

he has built up a large practice, and become a prominent factor in civic life. For a number of years he was a trustee of the Lima State Hospital. During President Cleveland's second administration he was pension examiner for his district at Roundhead. Doctor Neville was married to Theodora North, who was born in Champaign County, Ohio. She is a daughter of Orrin North, born in Champaign County, while his wife, Sarah Diana Cline, was born in Auglaize County, Ohio. Orrin North was engaged in business for many years, and he also just as successfully managed a large farming property. A student, during his leisure moments he read law, although he never practiced. While a public-spirited man, he avoided politics, although several times he did consent to serve as treasurer of his home community to safeguard the taxpayers' interests.

The genealogy of the North family in America was compiled by Dexter North, of Washington City, and was published in 1921. The progenitor in America was John North, who sailed from London in a ship named Susan and Ellen, with some forty other passengers, and at that time he was about twenty years old. The party of voyagers arrived at Boston, Massachusetts, April 26, 1635. For a few years thereafter John North remained in Massachusetts, and then, probably in 1646, moved to Connecticut, his name appearing in the records of Hartford County in 1652. He acquired land at Farmington, Connecticut, where he died in either 1691 or 1692, at the age of seventy-six years, leaving to his heirs an estate that was large for those times. Many illustrious names appear among his descendants, a number of them being clergymen, lawyers and physicians, among whom may be mentioned Lieut. Isaac North, Junior, who served as a second lieutenant in the Connecticut militia during the American Revolution. Abel North, the great-grandfather of Mrs. Neville, was born in Connecticut, and his son, Lyman North, the grandfather of Mrs. Neville, was born near Hartford, Connecticut. He married Lucy Coles, also a native of Connecticut. Mrs. Neville takes an active part in different women societies, is a member of the Woman's Literary Club, the Woman's Musical Club, and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Carl H. Neville was graduated from the Lima High School, and thereafter took a preparatory course in the Tennessee Military Institute, from which he was graduated in 1914. For the succeeding three years he was at the University of Cincinnati, Ohio, where he took the scientific course, his intention at that time being to fit himself for the practice of medicine. However, changing his plans, he took up the study of law, and entering the law department of Ohio Northern University, he took the full legal course and was admitted to the bar in 1920. He became a partner of H. O. Bentley, under the firm name of Bentley & Neville, and they enjoy a large and lucrative practice. During the late war Mr. Neville enlisted, and took his training at Camp Sherman, Illinois, where he was at the time the armistice was signed, and he was soon thereafter honorably discharged from the service.

In March, 1922, Mr. Neville married Miss Julia Taylor, a daughter of Eugene and Agnes Taylor, of Toledo, Ohio.

LE ROY MCMICHAEL, a general contractor of Bucyrus, has also devoted many years to farming, and he owns land which was acquired by the McMichaels family in the pioneer times of Crawford County.

Mr. McMichaels was born on a farm in Whetstone Township of that county, September 19, 1874, son of John A. and Mary A. (Trimble) McMichael. His father was born in Liberty Township of Crawford County, March 27, 1842, was reared and educated there, and as a young man enlisted in Company E of the One Hundred First Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served for two and one-half years in the defense of the Union. After the war he returned home, married and settled on the farm where he was born. He was a man of prominence, a successful farmer, active in republican politics and affairs, and at one time was president of the Crawford County Mutual Insurance and Fair Association. He was a member of the Keller Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was a liberal supporter of the English Lutheran Church, of which his wife was a member.

John A. McMichael died in April, 1901, and his widow survived until January 10, 1919. They had a family of nine children, and seven are living: Eugene T., John L., Ernest W., Le Roy, Bessie, James G., and Oren A., all residents of Crawford County except James, whose home is in Cleveland.

Le Roy McMichael was reared on the old farm in Whetstone Township, was educated in country schools, and from the age of nineteen devoted his energy to farming. He remained with his father until the latter's death. In 1903, twenty years ago, Mr. McMichael took up contract work, and managed his farm operations at the same time until 1916, in which year he removed to Bucyrus. He has handled contracts for numerous large construction enterprises in this vicinity. He still owns a farm of 270 acres in Whetstone Township.

May 19, 1898, Mr. McMichael married Miss Daisy Beck. They have three sons: Ralph E., of Bucyrus; Harold G., who graduated from high school in 1922 and is now a student in Denison University, and Maurice, attending high school at Bucyrus. Mr. McMichael is a stockholder in the Farmers and Citizens Bank at Bucyrus, is a member of the Farm Bureau and a republican in politics. He is affiliated with the Elks Lodge and with the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

DOHRMAN JAMES SINCLAIR, banker, manufacturer, capitalist, and philanthropist, was born in Erie, Pennsylvania, July 29, 1860. He came from Revolutionary stock, his grandfather, Arnold Henry Dohrman, having rendered such valuable service to his country that Congress gave him the first grant of land made by the United States, consisting of 4,000 acres, comprising the present whole Town of Uhrichsville, part of Dennison, and contiguous territory south.

Mr. Sinclair was the son of Thomas and Katherine Dohrman Sinclair. In 1862 the family moved back to Steubenville, where he attended the public schools, and later the Old Steubenville Academy. At the age of fourteen Dohrman Sinclair entered the Union Deposit Bank, a private banking house of his uncle, Horatio G. Garrett. He studied law under Capt. W. A. Walden. For thirty-five years he was the dominant factor in the affairs of the Union Deposit Bank until its incorporation as the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company of Steubenville, Ohio.

Dohrman Sinclair was instantly killed by a fast train in the yards of La Belle Iron Works on August 6, 1915, just a few days before the new ten-story Sinclair Building, a monument to his memory, foresight and progressiveness was opened to the public.

He was the chief figure in the Board of Trade, in fact he had the reputation of being the Chamber of Commerce. His untiring efforts in inducing industries to locate in Steubenville district brought The La Belle Iron Works, now a part of the Wheeling Steel Corporation. The Pope Tin Plate Company, now a part of the Weirton Steel Company, The Follansbee Brothers Company, and the Weirton Steel Company, as well as many similar manufacturing plants to this section. He built roads, bridges and street car lines

in all directions from Steubenville, thereby increasing enormously the business activity and prosperity of the city he loved.

Mr. Sinclair's generosity to the sick or needy was universal, knowing no color or creed. For thirty years he sent hundreds of baskets to the poor anonomously at Christmas time, and his hand was ever ready to help those in distress.

He was always an important factor in the republican party, although he never ran for office.

Dohrman James Sinclair was married November 19, 1884, to Mary, daughter of William B. Donaldson, of Steubenville, Ohio. They had five children: Marie, deceased, wife of Harry Fay Grant, oil operator of Franklin, Pennsylvania; Wilma, wife of Garrett Benjamin LeVan, vice president and general manager of La Belle Iron Works, now retired; Frank Dohrman, vice president and cashier of the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company; Dohrman James, Jr., a student at Dartmouth College, and Katherine, at school in Washington, D. C.

During Mr. Sinclair's very active life he held the following positions:

Cashier Union Deposit Bank; president and director of the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company; treasurer and director of the La Belle Iron Works; vice president and director of the Pope Tin Plate Company; president and director of the Union Clay Manufacturing Company; vice president and director of the Jefferson Glass Company; treasurer and director of the Central Sewer Pipe & Supply Company; president of the board of trustees of the Union Cemetery Association; vice president of the Ohio Valley Improvement Association; president of the Ohio River Sewer Pipe Company; vice president of the Foco Oil Company; president and director of the Steubenville Pottery Company; director of the Brook County Coal Company; director of the Steubenville Bridge Company; director of the Tri-State Traction Company; director of the Steubenville-Wellsburg-Weirton Railway Company; director of the Steubenville Traction & Light Company; director of the Columbia Fire Brick Company; director of the Myers Clay Manufacturing Company; director of the Erwin & Robinson Company; director of the Steubenville Improvement Company; director of the Moore Land Company; president of the Steubenville Board of Trade; president of the Board of Control of Steubenville; vice president and director of the Chamber of Commerce; chairman of the Water Works Commission of Steubenville, Ohio; a member of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress; member of the Engineers Society of Western Pennsylvania; member of the Board of Trustees and chairman of the Building Committee of the Ohio Valley Hospital Association; member of the Steubenville Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias; a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; a member of the Ohio Society of New York; member of the Duquesne Club, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; member Fort Henry Club, Wheeling, West Virginia; member of Steubenville Country Club; Spruce Creek Rod and Gun Club; a member Cheat River Fishing Club; and a member of the Wintersville Grange.

FREDERICK E. VANCE. Substantial resources and careful and progressive administration mark the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company at Steubenville, Jefferson County, as one of the important financial fiduciary institutions in this section of Ohio, and of the same the efficient and popular secretary is Frederick E. Vance, whose loyalty to Steubenville is that of a native son, for in this city he was born on the 26th of September, 1885. He is a son of Thomas W. and Mary E. (Finigan) Vance, the former of whom is now chief deputy auditor of Jefferson County, and the latter is deceased. Of the four children the eldest is Nina M., who is the wife of Jay S. Paisley, and whose four children are Mary Katherine, Margaret, Vance and Jane. Frederick E., of this review, was the next in order of birth. Miss Anna E. remains at the paternal home. John S., who entered in August, 1918, the nation's military service in connection with the World war, was in training at Camp Lee, Virginia, when he became one of the victims of the terrible influenza epidemic of that year, his death having occurred at that army camp on the 6th of October, 1918.

Thomas W. Vance was born and reared in Washington County, Pennsylvania, and is a scion of a family whose name has been identified with American annals since the Colonial period in our national history. The first American representatives of the Vance family were three brothers, one of whom settled in Pennsylvania, one in Virginia and one in Tennessee, the ancestor of Thomas W. Vance having been the brother who thus early established his residence in the old Keystone State. Mr. Vance continued his residence in Pennsylvania until July, 1878, when he established his permanent home at Steubenville, Ohio. Here he gave his attention for a number of years to the buying and shipping of wool, and in 1890 he was elected county recorder, an office in which he served six years, 1891-97. During the ensuing ten years he was city water collector of Steubenville, and he passed the next four years as bookkeeper in the Union Deposit Bank. He then turned his attention to the real estate business, with which he continued his connection until he assumed his present position, that of chief deputy auditor of Jefferson County. In the Masonic fraternity his maximum York Rite affiliation is with the local Commandery of Knights Templars, and in the Scottish Rite he has received the thirty-second degree, besides which he is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is an earnest member of the Presbyterian Church, as was also his wife. His parents, John S. and Emily (Jerome) Vance, passed their entire lives in Pennsylvania.

Frederick E. Vance attended the Steubenville public schools until his graduation from the high school as a member of the class of 1902, and for seven years thereafter he held the position of paymaster for the Acme Glass Works. During the next three years he was associated with the Central Building Supply Company, and in 1912 he assumed the position of individual-account bookkeeper in the Union Bank, from which post he was advanced to that of secretary, a position that he has continued to retain since the reorganization of the institution in 1915 under the present title, the Union Savings Bank & Trust Company.

Mr. Vance was loyal and liberal in the furthering of patriotic activities in Jefferson County during the period of American participation in the World war, and under registration for military service he was given assignment to class 4, with the result that he was not called into active service, owing to the armistice bringing the war to a close. He is a member of Steubenville Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, has membership in the River View Country Club, and he and his wife are members of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

January 27, 1921, recorded the marriage of Mr. Vance and Miss Beatrice Barton, whose parents, William S. and Jane (Cope) Barton, still reside in Barton, Ohio, Mr. Barton being a skilled civil engineer and having done a large amount of important work in his profession, including surveying and other engineering service for the United States government. Of the other children of the Barton family it may here be recorded that Robert C. married Elfrieda Mohr; Blanche died in infancy; Jesse M. married Elizabeth Mittenger, and they have one child, Jesse M., Jr.; and Charles H. is still listed on the roster of eligible young bachelors in Barton, Ohio. Mr. and

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Mrs. Vance find the attractions of their home greatly enhanced by the presence of their winsome daughter, Mary Jane.

A personal sketch of Thomas W. Vance, father of the subject of this review, is given elsewhere in this publication.

Dr. Homer B. Williams. In 1911 the first appropriation was made to the Ohio State Normal College at Bowling Green, and in the following year, when Dr. Homer B. Williams took charge, giving part-time service to the college, a snag of a peach tree stood on the ground now occupied by the main building. Since that time this institution has grown and developed remarkably and the greater part of its success must be accredited to the capable and energetic management and supervision of its president.

Doctor Williams was born on his father's farm at Mount Ephriam, Noble County, Ohio, October 16, 1865, and is a son of John Baldridge and Mary A. (Secrest) Williams, the latter belonging to an old and honored Virginia family. The Williams family originated in New England, whence early members moved to Washington County, Pennsylvania. The second Joe Williams, the great-uncle of Doctor Williams, was a well-known river man, and the old steamboat "Joe Williams" was named in his honor. The brother of Doctor Williams, Theodore C. Williams, went from college to LaPlata, Missouri, where he was superintendent of schools, being called then to Castleton, North Dakota, where he filled a like position until his death, aged thirty-four years. Doctor Williams' mother still survives, aged seventy-nine. John B. Williams was a son of Rev. Jonathan Williams, a pioneer minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. While he had few educational advantages, he was a close student, and was well informed on a wide range of subjects. From him Doctor Williams and his only brother received inspiration, as they did from the Bible and their mother, the latter being a great reader who can still render whole pages of McGuffey's Fifth Reader word for word. The Williams family, as noted, were river people, and for a number of years operated on the Ohio River, having come to the Buckeye State with the second contingent of settlers from Pennsylvania. John B. Williams, however, gave his attention to agricultural pursuits, and although a quiet, modest man, took a deep interest in the affairs of his community. He died at the age of sixty-six years, and is survived by his widow, who still retains the old home farm in Noble County, but makes her home with her only son.

The early education of Homer B. Williams was acquired at home, following which he attended Ohio Northern University, Baldwin-Wallace College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and Columbia University, Master of Arts. He later had conferred upon him honorary degrees by Ohio Northern University and Miami University. He was but fifteen years of age when he passed the teacher's examination, and at seventeen was a teacher in the rural districts, continuing to be thus occupied from 1885 to 1888. He was then made superintendent of schools at Caldwell, remaining from 1888 to 1892, and his next post was at Kenton, continuing until 1894. During the next four years he was superintendent of the Cambridge schools and from 1898 to 1913, of the Sandusky schools. During 1913 and 1914 he attended Columbia University, and in May 1914, began to give all his time to his present position. Doctor Williams is a widely informed man, and, being a pleasing speaker, his voice is often heard from the lecture platform. His standing in his profession is high, and from 1904 to 1909 he was a member of the Ohio Board of School Examiners, in addition to which he has served as president of the Ohio Teachers' Association. Fraternally he holds membership in the Masonic Blue Lodge and Chapter of Bowling Green and the Council and Commandery at Sandusky. With his family he belongs to the Methodist Church.

On June 12, 1890, Doctor Williams married Cora Belle Brewer of Marion, Ohio, and to this union there were born four children: Lloyd B., a graduate of Ohio State University, now engaged in farming at Morral, Marion County; John L., a resident of Columbus, educated at Carnegie Tech and the motor school at Detroit, who was on the battle line in France during the World war as a member of the motor service; Elbert H., a graduate of Ohio State University, now employed by Swift & Company, Chicago; and Mary E., who is taking a domestic science course in the Normal College.

Owen Morgan Phillips. The Youngstown Telegram is the permanent successor of a long lineage of newspaper publications at Youngstown, dating back more than seventy years. Under the name of the Telegram its history covers nearly forty years, and in this time the Telegram has kept pace with the rapid development of Youngstown into one of the largest and most important industrial cities of Ohio. For nearly thirty years Owen Morgan Phillips has been identified with the fortunes of the Telegram, and has served that newspaper in almost every capacity in the business department. He is now its vice president and business manager.

Mr. Phillips was born at Hubbard, Ohio, July 24, 1880, son of Benjamin B. and Mary B. (Morgan) Phillips. His parents were born in Wales, and all his grandparents, David and Margaret (Edwards) Phillips, and David and Jane (Bowen) Morgan, came to Ohio and established homes at Hubbard in 1865. The grandfathers followed the occupation of farming. Benjamin B. Phillips was a salesman, and died in 1919, his wife passing away in 1918.

Owen Morgan Phillips since the age of two years has lived at Youngstown. He attended the grammar schools, spent two years in the Rayen High School, and at the age of sixteen, in 1896, began his working service for the Youngstown Telegram. He was successively clerk, bookkeeper, assistant advertising manager, advertising manager, and for some years past has been business manager and also vice president of the publishing company.

Mr. Phillips married, March 3, 1915, Miss Nell Cadwallader, daughter of Harry L. and Charlotte (Dowe) Cadwallader, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. They have two children, Mary Jane and William Blaine Phillips. Mr. Phillips is a member of the Masonic Order, the Youngstown Club, and Youngstown Country Club.

Grover C. Buxton is one of the younger members of Ohio's contingent of men who have carried out successful careers in the city of Chicago. He is one of the active members of the Ohio Society of Chicago, and is head of a prosperous business of that city.

Mr. Buxton was born near Coshocton, in Coshocton County, April 3, 1885, son of Jacob W. and Allie B. (Fry) Buxton. Both parents represented Ohio families of pioneer stock. His grandfather was Washington Buxton. Mr. Buxton's uncle, the late Rev. Dr. E. O. Buxton, who died in July, 1922, was one of the most distinguished figures in the Methodist ministry in Ohio. He was pastor of many prominent churches, at Cleveland, Cincinnati, Youngstown, and was pastor of the late President McKinley's church at Canton, and preached the funeral service over the martyred president. This sermon was one of the most masterly efforts of the kind, and portions of it were published in nearly every large newspaper in the country.

Grover C. Buxton spent his early life on the home farm in Coshocton County. He attended public schools at Coshocton, and for five years was a student in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He graduated with the class of 1911. He has kept up an active interest in his alma mater, and at the present time is secretary of the Alumni Association in Chicago of the Ohio Wesleyan University. This association comprises about 300 members.

For two years after his university career Mr. Buxton traveled for the Townsend-Townsend Company of New York, marble and granite dealers. For several years he was with the firm Lewis E. Myers & Company of Valparaiso, Indiana, as division manager, and in 1921 he became president of the Buxton-Westerman Company of Chicago, a $100,000 corporation, extensive distributors of educational and religious specialties. The company has offices at 36 South State Street in Chicago, and it has become a prosperous business under the skillful management and business acumen of Mr. Buxton.

In addition to his membership in the Ohio Society of Chicago and the Ohio Wesleyan Alumni Association there, he is a member of the Chicago Rotary Club, the Hamilton Club, the Canadian Club, the Birchwood Country Club and is one of the directors of the Michicago Field Club.

Mr. Buxton married in 1913 Ethel Marguerite Hoffman, of Delaware, Ohio, a classmate in college. A son, Grover C., Jr., was born December 13, 1918. On October 4, 1924, Mr. Buxton again married, the bride being Ida K. Ward, of Chicago.

Thomas Stewart Brush. One of the most prominent names in newspaper ownership and publication in Ohio today is that of Brush. Thomas Stewart Brush is actively associated with the newspaper business as general manager of the East Liverpool Review-Tribune, which paper is owned by his father, Louis H. Brush.

Louis H. Brush is owner of an important group of Ohio newspapers. His name came into particular notice in 1923, when he and associates acquired the Marion Star, the paper formerly owned by President Harding. Louis H. Brush was born at Mount Union, Stark County, Ohio, in 1871. His father, Herbert Brush, was born at Alliance, in Stark County, in 1834, and spent his life in that community, where for many years he was a professor in Mount Union College. He died at Alliance in 1884. His wife, Amelia Brush, was born at Nelson Ledges, Ohio, in 1835, and is now living in venerable years at Canton. Louis H. Brush graduated from Mount Union College with the Bachelor of Arts degree, was married at Youngstown, and for many years has been a resident of Salem, Columbiana County. In 1895 he acquired the Salem News, his first successful newspaper enterprise. In 1901 he bought the Liverpool Review, acquired the East Liverpool Tribune in 1920, and in 1923 was associated with Roy D. Moore in the purchase of the Marion Star and the Marion Tribune. He is now president of the companies publishing all these papers.

Louis H. Brush is an active republican, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a Knight Templar Mason, being a member of the Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Cleveland. He is vice president of the Ohio Mutual Insurance Company. In his earlier years he served as a first lieutenant in the Ohio National Guard.

Louis H. Brush married Maude S. Stewart, who was born at Youngstown, in 1873. Their only child is Thomas Stewart Brush, who was born at Salem, in Columbiana County, July 12, 1896.

He grew up in his native town, finishing his high school education there. He attended one of the most famous preparatory schools in the East, Phillips-Andover Academy, at Andover, Massachusetts, where he took the four year course and graduated in 1915. He followed this with two years in the University of Michigan, where he was a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity.

Mr. Brush in 1917 went to Tulsa, Oklahoma, and for one year was in the service of the Oklahoma Petroleum and Gasoline Company. In May, 1918, he enlisted, being sent to the Great Lakes Training Station, and in September, 1918, to Pelham Bay, New York, where he was assigned duty with the Naval Auxiliary Reserves. He held the rank of first class petty officer in the signal service.

He received his honorable discharge at Cleveland, December 1, 1918, and immediately took the responsibilities of general manager of the Evening Review at East Liverpool, and since January 1, 1920, has been general manager of the combined papers. This is the leading paper of Columbiana County, republican in politics, and has an extensive circulation over Columbiana County and also across the river in Hancock County, West Virginia. The publishing plant and office is at 408 Washington Street.

Mr. Brush is a republican, is a member of the East Liverpool Episcopal Church, the Salem Lodge of Masons, the East Liverpool Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club. He owns a good home at 822 Orchard Grove Avenue, East Liverpool.

Mr. Brush married at Newburyport, Massachusetts, June 26, 1920, Miss Katharine L. Ingham, daughter of Charles S. and Clara (Northrup) Ingham, residents of Newburyport. Her father, who has the degree Doctor of Philosophy, is principal of Dummer Academy of Newburyport, this being the oldest preparatory academy in the United States. Mrs. Brush is a graduate of the Centenary Collegiate Institute of Hackettstown, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Brush have one son, Thomas S., Jr., born February 8, 1922.

Albert Mengerink is a member of the firm Mengerink Brothers, contractors and dealers in builders' supplies, the largest firm of its kind and doing the most extensive business in the City of Napoleon, Henry County.

Mr. Mengerink was born on his father's farm in Napoleon Township of Henry County, May 17, 1885, son of Engbert and Sarah (Crocker) Mengerink. His father was born in Holland, in 1846, was reared and educated there, and at the age of twenty-one he came to America and located at Cleveland, where he engaged in manual labor. At Cleveland he married Sarah Crocker, who was born in England and was brought to Cleveland by her parents. After their marriage they moved to Henry County and located on a farm in Napoleon Township, where they have spent their industrious lives and are now living retired. The mother is a member of the Evangelical Church and the father is an independent republican. They had five children: Alice, wife of David Snyder, of McClure, Ohio; Albert; Ernest, a farmer in Napoleon Township; Bertha, wife of Henry Travis, of Napoleon; and Edward, who is the junior member of the firm Mengerink Brothers, contractors.

Albert Mengerink was reared on a farm, attended the district schools, and after leaving school worked at day wages on contract and public work. When he was twenty-four he began contracting for himself, and he and his brother started with a capital of less than $450. They have made a record of promptness and efficiency in carrying out all their contracts, and their business has steadily grown until it now involves a large amount of invested capital, stock and equipment.

Mr. Mengerink married Miss Bessie Musser, who died in 1919, survived by seven children: Hazel, Ruth,

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James, Frances, Cecil, Myrtle and Carson. Subsequently Mr. Mengerink married Mamie Mumford, who was born in Pennsylvania. By her former marriage she has one son, Byron Mumford. Mr. Mengerink is a member of the Evangelical Church and is on the building committee handling the construction of a new parsonage for the church. He is affiliated with Napoleon Lodge of Masons, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Moose, and is a republican. His home is at 704 Washington Street in Napoleon.

Miss Kathryne Westfall. In the various lines of activity in which women now engage—and there are few indeed from which they are excluded—perhaps one for which they are best equipped is that which has to do with stenographic work. In this field the fair sex seem to be superior to her supposedly stronger brother, and this particularly applies where the matter under consideration is that of court stenography. In this connection mention may be made of the accurate and rapid work of Miss Kathryne Westfall, court stenographer of Carroll County, and a member of families of English origin which have been known and honored for many years in Ohio.

Miss Westfall was born June 16, 1882, in Washington Township, Carroll County, and is a daughter of Levi and Elizabeth (Baxter) Westfall, and a granddaughter on her mother's side of William and Catherine (Albaugh) Baxter, who came from Kentucky to Ohio at an early day. Her paternal grandfather was Levi Westfall, who married Sarah Cameron, and her great-grandfather was Capt. Levi Westfall, an officer of the Colonial army during the War of the Revolution. Her father, likewise named Levi Westfall, who still survives in Carroll County at the advanced age of eighty-eight years, has passed his life as a general farmer, and is now living in comfortable retirement, respected and esteemed by the people among whom he has resided. During the Civil war he was a member of Company A, Thirty-second Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was captured by the enemy at Harper's Ferry, but was later exchanged. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the Methodist Episcopal Church. A grateful government pays him a pension for the services which he rendered during the long struggle between the North and the South. He and his worthy wife, who died in 1923, were the parents of seven children: William A., who married Matilda Werle and has four children, Gladys, Earl, Dorothy and Billie; Alva L., who married Myrtle Johnson and has one child, Elizabeth; Kathryne, of this review; Mark G., who married Josephine Davis; Mary E., who married L. C. Moreland and has one child, Charles; Samuel D., who married Mary Bumgartner and has one child, Thomas C.; and Lydia Ruth, who died at the age of three years.

Kathryne Westfall attended the district school in the neighborhood of the home farm, following which she went to Mount Union and pursued a normal course. Her first employment was that of schoolteacher, which she followed for four years, but a career as an educator did not appeal to her and she therefore took a course in stenography and bookkeeping at Mount Union and Canton. This enabled her to secure a position with the Carrollton Pottery Company, in the general offices of which concern she spent seven years, this being followed by one and one-half years with another pottery company. Miss Westfall then had her first experience as court stenographer, holding this position two and one-half years, at the end of which time she became deputy auditor of Carroll County. After spending five years in this capacity, in December, 1923, she was again appointed court stenographer, by Judge McCoy, of the Court of Common Pleas, and this position she has since retained. Miss Westfall is an expert in her line, and her ability, faithful performance of duty and accuracy have been favorably commented upon on numerous occasions by court and counsel.

Miss Westfall is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. She belongs to the Eastern Star and to the White Shrine at Canton, in which she has numerous appreciative friends.

A. C. Curtiss, a graduate in veterinary medicine, practiced his profession a number of years in his native state of Michigan, and then became a resident of Wauseon, Ohio, employed as a veterinary inspector by the United States Bureau of Animal Industry. He is now veterinary inspector for the City of Detroit, Michigan, where he has been since February 10, 1924.

Doctor Curtiss was born in Michigan, June 15, 1884. He was reared on a farm in Grand Traverse County, acquired his early education in the public schools, and graduated in 1911 from the Grand Rapids Veterinary College with the degree Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. He practiced seven and one-half years in Michigan, and in October, 1918, became identified with the Bureau of Animal Industry as an inspector, and was located at Wauseon from October 23 of that year until he assumed his present office. He became well known and active in local citizenship in Fulton County.

Doctor Curtiss married Miss Lillian Robb, who is a graduate of the public schools of Wauseon. He is a member of the United States Live Stock Association, the Michigan State Veterinary Association, and the American Veterinary Association. He and his wife are members of the first Christian Church at Wauseon. He is affiliated with Lodge No. 349 of the Masonic Order of Wauseon, the Knights of Pythias Lodge there, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Evart, Michigan. He is a past grand of the Rebekahs, and Mrs. Curtiss is a member of the Rebekahs and Pythian Sisters. In politics Doctor Curtiss votes as a republican.

Clyde William Osborne. This is one of the prominent names in the legal profession and public affairs of Youngstown. Mr. Osborne practiced law with some of the leading law firms of the city, and is the present law director of Youngstown.

He was born in Paris Township of Portage County, Ohio, September 18, 1881, son of Edwin L. and Elizabeth (Reese) Osborne, natives of the same township and county. The great-grandfather, Aaron Osborne, was one of the first white settlers in Mahoning County. The paternal grandparents were Amos and Hannah (Wynans) Osborne, both natives of Mahoning County, the former of Canfield Township and the latter of Milton Township. The maternal grandparents were Evan and Margaret (Jones) Reese, who were born in Wales. Evan Reese was a coal miner, while Amos Osborne was a farmer. Edwin L. Osborne spent his active career as a carpenter and farmer, and died in 1909. His widow now lives at Youngstown. They had four children: Clyde William; Marcus A., of Youngstown; Ruth, Mrs. William G. Lewis, of Youngstown; and Alice, Mrs. Samuel Mango, of Niles, Ohio.

Clyde William Osborne was reared on a farm, attended district schools and had three years of study in the high school at Newton Falls. He graduated in 1905 from the school at Hubbard, Ohio, and for a time was principal of the commercial department of the Hall Business College. In the meantime he diligently pursued the study of law, and in December, 1906, was admitted to the bar. He began practice at Youngstown, and has been an honored member of

the bar there for eighteen years. For two years he was associated with David G. Jenkins, and upon the election of Mr. Jenkins in 1909 as city solicitor, Mr. Osborne was appointed first assistant solicitor. He resigned that office in February, 1911, to become associated with the prominent Youngstown law firm of Arrel, Wilson, Harrington & DeFord. Five years later the firm was reorganized under the name of Harrington, DeFord, Heim & Osborne. On January 1, 1920, Mr. Osborne retired from this firm to become associated with the law partnership of Anderson, Lamb and Osborne. From this he also retired on January 1, 1923, to become associated with the firm of Osborne, Armstrong & George.

On January 1, 1924, he took the responsible post of law director of the City of Youngstown. Mr. Osborne married in 1902 Miss Jennie Jones, who was born at Hubbard, Ohio, in December, 1882, daughter of Edward H. and Sarah (Parry) Jones. Her parents were both born in Wales. Mr. and Mrs. Osborne have two daughters, Elizabeth, born September 4, 1905, and Mildred, born September 21, 1908.

Mr. Osborne is a republican. He is junior steward in the Masonic Lodge, is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and Council, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Lodge No. 55 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, St. David Society, and the Poland Country Club.

Henry J. Pfeiffer, manager of the Grand Opera House at Kenton, has become well known in his native city through varied activities in business, and for a number of years in the Kenton postoffice.

Mr. Pfeiffer was born in Kenton, September 12, 1882, son of John H. and Alice J. Dickson Pfeiffer. His parents were both born in Hardin County, and his father died in June, 1907. There were six children: Henry J.; Frank B., who graduated from high school and is now a resident of Peoria, Illinois; Cleo, wife of J. M. McCoy, of Kansas City, Missouri; Carl F., who had a high school education and married Odelia Dughman, of Kenton; Walter H., who is married and living in Chicago, and Eva Rachel.

Henry J. Pfeiffer grew up in Kenton, graduated from high school, and for several years was an employee of the Kenton Hardware Company as shipping clerk, and later as foreman. For a time he conducted an electrical business, but sold out to become an employe of the Kenton postoffice, and was in the postal service for ten years. Since leaving the postoffice he has been giving his time to the theatrical business as manager of the Grand Opera House, and also has other business interests in that city. Mr. Pfeiffer married Miss Mabel Russell, daughter of Adam Russell, and graduate of the Kenton High School. They have two children, John H., who graduated from high school and is now in his second year in Ohio State University, and Pauline, in the junior year of high school. His family are members of the German Lutheran Church, and Mr. Pfeiffer is Sunday School treasurer. He is a republican, and is affiliated with Lachan Lodge No. 154 of the Masonic Order.

John Wood, of Georgetown, Brown County, is the namesake of his father, the late John Wood, founder of the John Wood Insurance Agency, a business that has been in continuous existence and increasing prosperity for more than forty years.

John Wood, Sr., was a man of exceptional prominence in Brown County, not only in a business way, but as a public official. For two terms he held the office of county sheriff. He married Louise Noel, now deceased. Their son, John Wood, was born at St. Martins, Brown County, Ohio, July 27, 1884. His early advantages were liberal, and he attended public schools, graduating from the Georgetown High School in 1900, and during 1905-06-07 attended Miami University. The death of his father in 1908 called him home to take charge of the insurance agency and he has been the active manager ever since and is sole owner.

Before he went to college and while he was still attending public schools he was associated and became familiar with the insurance business under his father, and that has been the chief scope of his activity and experience ever since. He handles a general insurance and surety bond business, and represents among other companies the Aetna of Hartford, Connecticut. Mr. Wood is an active democrat, served several years as chairman of the County Central Committee and was a delegate to the national convention at New York in 1924. Mr. Wood is a member of the Catholic Church, and is unmarried.

Alvin C. Mitchel is prominently known in Southern Ohio as a newspaper man and editor, and particularly as editor and publisher of the Georgetown Gazette, the official paper of the republican party in Brown County.

Mr. Mitchel was born near Manchester, Adams County, Ohio, March 25, 1890, son of Martin and Audra (Everton) Mitchel. His parents are substantial farming people in the southern part of the state. His grandfather Everton served four years with the Seventieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and his grandfather Mitchel was with the One Hundred Eighty-second Ohio Volunteers on the Union side in the Civil war.

Alvin C. Mitchel attended public schools in Adams County, including the Manchester High School, and taught in his native county during the years 1909-10-11. His apprenticeship at the printing trade was served in the office of the Manchester Signal, a paper with which he was connected for seven years. In 1918 he became editor and manager of the Adams County Record, and from that in the spring of 1920 removed to Blanchester and was associated in business with Lieutenant Governor Clarence J. Brown until May, 1922. At that date he took the editorial chair of the Milford Record, and on January 1, 1923, became owner and editor of the Georgetown Gazette.

The Georgetown Gazette is one of the old and influential papers of Southern Ohio, having been founded in 1878, and being now in its forty-sixth year. There was practically no interruption to its regular publication until the summer of 1922, when the property was sold to O. C. Young and L. B. Pabst, who after an intermission of several months started its republication in November, 1922. A little later Mr. Mitchel bought it and became its editor and owner on January 1, 1923.

Mr. Mitchel is himself a staunch republican. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for several years taught a class in the Methodist Protestant Church at Manchester. He married Miss Minnie Bowman at Manchester, May 11, 1911. Her parents were Joseph and Jane (Jenkins) Bowman, both now deceased. Her father was a farmer. Mrs. Mitchel is the youngest in a family of twelve children. The two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchel are Audra Jane, born in 1914, and Mary Catherine, born in 1917.

Edward C. Kuntz is an efficient and popular local railroad official at Leipsic, Putnam County, where he is joint station agent for the Baltimore & Ohio and the New York, Chicago & St. Louis (Nickel Plate) railroads at Leipsic Junction.

Mr. Kuntz was born at Leipsic, his present home town, and the date of his nativity was July 25, 1883. He is a son of Lewis W. and Emma (Wine-

land) Kuntz, the former of whom passed his entire life in the Leipsic district of Putnam County, and the latter of whom was born at Van Buren, Hancock County, this state. Lewis W. Kuntz was reared and educated at Leipsic, and at the time of his death was one of the successful merchants in this attractive little city, where he was engaged in the general merchandise business. He was a republican, served as a member of the Village Council, and he also held various other local offices of minor order. He was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and was a past chancellor of the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias at the time of his death, besides having served as lieutenant in the Uniformed Rank body of this fraternity. He is survived by his wife and their five children, of whom the subject of this review is the only son.

Edward C. Kuntz is indebted to the public schools of Leipsic for his early education, which included the curriculum of the high school, and after leaving school he was employed two years in his father's store. He then initiated, in the capacity of car checker, his association with railroad operations, and the best evidence of his fidelity and the efficiency of his service is that afforded in his gradual advancement to the present important and responsible position. He has been in railway service since the year 1904. Mr. Kuntz is a republican in his political proclivities, he and his family hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Leipsic, and in the time-honored Masonic fraternity he is a past master of Leipsic Lodge No. 548, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, besides being affiliated also with Ottawa Chapter No. 115, Royal Arch Masons, and Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masons. He is a stockholder in the Leipsic Banking Company.

In August, 1907, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Kuntz and Miss Bessie Sherard, who was born in Blanchard Township, Putnam County, and who is a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Mr. and Mrs. Kuntz have two sons, William E., who was born in the year 1917, and James Eugene, who was born in 1919.

JOHN G. BELKNAP, judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, is a member of recognized attainments in his profession and in civic affairs, and in his career he has brought honor upon one of the oldest family names in Eastern Ohio.

Judge Belknap was born at Sherrodsville, in Carroll County, Ohio, August 3, 1883, son of James L. and Elsie (Barrick) Belknap and grandson of Austin and Mary Ann (Roby) Belknap. His great-grandfather Belknap was one of the earliest settlers in Jefferson County, coming overland from Massachusetts with wagon and team about 1794. Belknap is an old and conspicuous name in American history, and some of the family were in the War of the Revolution. Austin Belknap during the Civil war was engaged in recruiting work. James L. Belknap, who died in 1923, was a farmer and stock raiser, and very much interested in the affairs of his home community, holding some local offices. He was an official member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Perhaps his dominant characteristic was his great devotion to his family. His wife, Elsie Barrack, who is still living, is a daughter of Henry and Mary (Eick) Barrack, who were prominent people in the Sherrodsville community. The Barricks came from Vermont, about 1803. Henry Barrick was a farmer and banker, a very prominent man in his section.

Judge John G. Belknap, only child of his parents, grew up at Sherrodsville, where he attended grammar and high schools, and continued his higher education in old Scio College, where he graduated Bachelor of Science in 1904. He studied law at Ohio Northern University at Ada while present United States Senator Frank Willis was instructor in the law department. Judge Belknap has ever since been a warm friend and admirer of this Ohio statesman. He graduated in law in 1908 and in the same year engaged in general practice at Steubenville. In the fall of 1912 came his first election to the office of judge of probate, and he is now serving his third consecutive term in that office.

Judge Belknap married, October 4, 1911, Miss Bessie Pletcher, of Stubenville, daughter of Harvey and Ada H. (Cloman) Pletcher, being the only child of these parents. Mrs. Belknap is a talented musician, a graduate of the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and at present the soprano soloist at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Steubenville. Her father, who died several years ago, was a specialty salesman, and a very active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, serving on the Official Board and in the Sunday School. Mrs. Belknap's maternal uncle, Col. Sidney Cloman, of the United States Army, earned many distinctions as a military man. He was for some years in the diplomatic service of the United States, being at the Court of St. James and in other foreign countries. Soon after the close of the Spanish-American war, in which he participated, he was sent to the Taw Taw Island, about the extreme island of the Philippine group, commanding American soldiers in subduing the natives of that island. These Islanders were about the only pirates left at the time. Colonel Cloman was engaged in this dangerous task about three years before he finally got the islanders under full control. He has since written a book, "Myself and the Moros," published by Doubleday, Page and Company. Judge and Mrs. Belknap have one daughter, Elsie Louise, born in 1915. He is on the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, belongs to the County, State and American Bar associations, and is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Elks, Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Judge Belknap is a former president of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, and now one of its directors. He belongs to the Rotary Club, plays golf at the Country Club and has a number of substantial business connections, being a director in the Vulcan Coal Company of Ohio, a director in the Swiss By Product Company of West Virginia, and a director in the Union Savings Bank and Trust Company.

JOHN A. WILLO is one of Youngstown's prominent younger attorneys, a man of brilliant talent and exceptional education and scholarship, and has made a forceful record as a lawyer and citizen.

He was born at Youngstown March 25, 1890, son of Michael and Lena (Roth) Willo. His parents were born in Czecho-Slovakia and became residents of Youngstown in 1883. Michael Willo is a well known financier, being president of the Youngstown State Bank.

John A. Willo began his education in St. Joseph Parochial Schools, took his preparatory course in the Canisius Academy at Buffalo, New York, then continued in Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts, and in 1912 graduated in the classical course with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Georgetown University, near Washington. He studied law in Columbia University at New York City, graduating Bachelor of Laws in June, 1914. Mr. Willo engaged in the practice of law at Youngstown in August, 1914, and in ten years has made a substantial reputation. In addition to a general practice he is a director of the Youngstown State Bank, of the Youngstown Savings & Loan Company and the Mutual Mortgage Company.

On April 11, 1912, he married Miss Veronica Dorothy O'Brien, a native of Boston, Massachusetts, daughter of Daniel and Joanna (Lynch) O'Brien. Her parents were born at Beacon, near Boston. Mr. Willo is a member of Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church. He was one of the founders and the first dean of the Delta Theta Phi fraternity in his law school, this being the general law fraternity of which Chief Justice White, Chief Justice Taft and President Coolidge are members. He is honorary president of the Slova-American political federation of the Mahoning Valley and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Homer C. Cook is proprietor of the H. C. Cook Printing and Binding Company at Steubenville, the largest and best equipped commercial printing establishment in Eastern Ohio. Mr. Cook has been one of the busy and influential men of Steubenville for many years, and is a son of the late John M. Cook, one of Eastern Ohio's most distinguished lawyers and jurists.

John M. Cook was born in Nottinghamshire, England, March 6, 1843, son of David and Margaret Cook, who on coming to the United States first lived at Burlington, New Jersey, where Margaret Cook died when her son John M. was about ten years of age. The father then moved his family to Allegheny, Pennsylvania. About that time John M. Cook went to work for a Mr. Gallagher in a shipping and warehousing company. He made himself so proficient that he was given entire charge of the business. In addition he utilized his spare time to prepare himself for a broader career, studying and reading preparatory to the profession of the law. In January, 1869, he went to Cleveland, having been admitted to the bar in 1868. In the spring of 1869 he opened a law office at East Liverpool, Ohio, and in the fall of 1872 became associated in practice with General Riley at Steubenville. Later he was a partner of J. H. S. Trainer. A republican, he was elected prosecuting attorney in 1880, holding the office two terms, after which he refused further political honors in order that he might devote his time to his extensive private practice. In many respects he was the ablest attorney of Eastern Ohio, and had exceptional powers as a speaker, possessing a wonderful vocabulary and unsurpassed eloquence. In the later years of his life he accepted the office of judge of the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial District of Ohio, and was still serving on the bench when his death occurred July 10, 1910, at the age of sixty-seven. Special memorial services in commemoration of his career were held by the Bench and Bar of the state.

Judge Cook married Elizabeth Little, who died September 10, 1919. She was a daughter of James S. and Mary S. Little. Of the three children of Judge and Mrs. Cook, Homer C. is the oldest. The two daughters are Miss Mary G. and Ida. Ida married W. H. Nider, and her two children are Elizabeth and Mary Kale.

Homer C. Cook was born at Steubenville, November 11, 1875. He attended public schools there, graduating from high school June 21, 1894. He was next sent to a private preparatory school in Philadelphia, and had one year in Washington and Jefferson College in Pennsylvania. On leaving college Mr. Cook became a bookkeeper with the Union Deposit Bank of Steubenville, now the Union Savings and Trust Bank. He went with this bank in June, 1897, and remained in its service for eight years, being promoted to the position of teller.

Mr. Cook in 1905 bought the business of the Carnahan Printing Company, which had been established thirty years before, in 1875. He changed the name to the H. C. Cook Printing and Binding Company, and is sole owner of this splendid business. There is no concern of its kind east of Columbus better equipped and doing a larger general commercial printing business.

Mr. Cook has given liberally of his time to the promotion of the causes identified with the city's advancement and welfare. During the World war he was captain of one of the War Board teams. Steubenville and Jefferson County had the most perfect auxiliary war organization in the State of Ohio. This War Board handled every problem and matter affecting the relation between the community and the general government. The board had an active membership of 743 selected men, divided into teams, each one with a captain in charge, so that all localities of the county were thoroughly covered. The organization was so systematized that immediate action could be had on every matter requiring it. The board handled the campaigns for the sale of the Liberty and Victory Loan Bonds, and it never required more than two days to put every drive over. Mr. Cook is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and belongs to the Elks, the college fraternity Delta Tau Delta, is a member of the Rotary Club, the Country Club, is president of the Steubenville Tennis Association, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. His church is the Westminster Presbyterian.

On October 24, 1899, at Steubenville, he married Miss Margaret C. Hagan, daughter of Jonathan and Margaret (Halstead) Hagan. Her mother died in April, 1922, and her father died in 1890. He was an active official member of the Methodist Church, and a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. Mrs. Cook was one of six children. Her brother Calvin H. married Mary Barrick and lives in Seattle, Washington. Her brother W. E. and her sister Mary are deceased. Frances is the wife of Charles F. Widner, and their children are Beatrice and Mrs. Arthur Sidden. Miss Helen Hagan is social reporter for the Steubenville Harold-Star.

John Marshall Cook, oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cook, was a youth of singular great promise and talent. He died May 8, 1921, at the age of nineteen, and when within thirty days of the date of graduation from the Mercersburg Preparatory School at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania. He had a splendid record in all the schools he attended, in the scholastic as well as in other activities. He was captain of the tennis team, an all around athlete, had been chosen speaker for the commencement program and was a member of the honor roll. The members of his class have since his death erected a memorial fountain on the campus.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cook is Margaret Halstead, now attending school at Birmingham, Pennsylvania, and preparing for Smith College in Massachusetts. The son, Homer Calvin, is in the Choates School in Connecticut, and is the local golf champion at Steubenville, having carried off the honors at the Country Club Tournament in 1923.

George Austin Ferguson, M. D., is one of the loyal and representative physicians and surgeons of the younger generation in Jefferson County, and is established in successful general practice in the fine little City of Toronto, where he has maintained his home since 1914. The Doctor was in oversees service as a member of the Medical Corps of the United States Army in the World war.

Doctor Ferguson claims the old Green Mountain State as the place of his nativity and is a representative of sterling old Colonial families of New England, the Ferguson family, of Scotch lineage, having been

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established in Vermont for many generations, and the ancestral lines of the Doctor touch also the How and Dustin families of New England. He is thus eligible for membership in the Dustin Society of Massachusetts, which specially honors the name and memory of Hannah Dustin, who won fame in connection with the War of the Revolution. The paternal grandfather of Doctor Ferguson was George Ferguson, and the maternal grandfather was Austin Howe.

Doctor Ferguson was born at Lindenville, Vermont, July 13, 1890, and there his parents, George Frank and Dora (Howe) Ferguson, still maintain their home, the father being a detective in the service of the Boston & Maine Railroad. George F. Ferguson is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife hold membership in the Universalist Church.

In the high school of his native town Doctor Ferguson was graduated as a member of the class of 1908, and in preparation for his chosen profession he entered the medical department of the University of Vermont, at Burlington. In this institution he was graduated in 1912, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was able to gain valuable clinical experience in one year of service as an interne in the William Backus Hospital at Norwich, Connecticut. In 1914 he came to Ohio and established his permanent residence at Toronto, where he has since been engaged in the practice of his profession save for the period of his World war service.

Prior to the nation's formal entrance into the World war Doctor Ferguson had become a member of the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army, and in July, 1917, he was called into active service. At Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, he remained six weeks, with commission as first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, and while stationed at Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, he gained his commission as captain. He remained at the latter camp eight months, and was then transferred to Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, and assigned to service as surgeon of the Three Hundred and Ninth Field Signal Battalion, attached to the Eighty-fourth Division of the United States Army. With this command he sailed from Hoboken, New Jersey, in September, 1918, and first landed in Glasgow, Scotland, whence he proceeded with his command to Southampton and thence across the channel to Cherbourg, France. There a division of the Eighty-fourth Division was effected, and the doctor was sent to the base camp hospital at the headquarters of General Leggett, at Bar-sur-Aube, one of the ancient towns of France. The doctor was made chief of staff and remained with Camp Hospital No. 42 during his entire period of service oversees, he having entered service with this unit before the voyage to the stage of conflict, and having returned with the same to the United States, the command having left Versailles in the latter part of May, 1919, and having in due course landed in the port of New York City, whence it was sent to Camp Dodge, Des Moines, Iowa, where its members were mustered out in June of that year. Doctor Ferguson was constantly on the alert in caring for wounded and ill soldiers during the entire period of his service abroad, and while his executive duties as chief of staff kept him much of the time at headquarters, he was always prepared to make prompt response when called to other points of service. He has continued as a member of the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army since his retirement from active duty. Upon the close of his service in connection with the great world conflict Doctor Ferguson returned to Toronto, and here he has since continued in the active practice of his profession, with secure place in the confidence and esteem of the community.

At Burlington, Vermont, on the 5th of November, 1913, Doctor Ferguson was united in marriage with Miss Agnes McMahon, daughter of Dr. Henry P. and Catherine (Shanley) McMahon, the former of whom died in 1911 and the latter was killed in an automobile accident in the City of Chicago, Illinois, in 1923. The other two children of the McMahon family are George, who married Miss Bertha T. Tenis, of Chicago, and Alice, who is the wife of John Whelan, their four children being Marion, Leonard, John, Jr., and Arthur. Doctor and Mrs. Ferguson have no children.

William Louis Hitchcock, a past master of the fire brick industry, is the executive head of The Portsmouth Refractories Company, Portsmouth, Ohio.

His home has been in Southern Ohio since early boyhood. He was born at Muscatine, Iowa, December 12, 1866, son of Charles and Alma (Lee) Hitchcock. When he was seven years of age his father died, and the widowed mother soon afterward brought her family to Sciotoville, Ohio. There William L. Hitchcock grew up, attending the common schools and was only twelve years of age when necessity forced him into a money earning occupation. At that time he began employment in the fire brick works at Sciotoville. Experience gave him acquaintance with and mastery of all the processes of fire brick manufacture. He served in every capacity from cleanup worker to superintendent of three yards, the Sciotoville Fire Brick Company, the Webster Fire Brick Company and the Blast Furnace Fire Brick Company. By the age of thirty-six he was a recognized master of the industry. His knowledge extends from the mines and the pits where the crude clay is obtained to the executive and business offices where the finished product is sold. His has been a routine of hard work, marked by conspicuous generalship and executive capacity. Mr. William L. Hitchcock, as president of The Portsmouth Refractories Company, is head of one of the largest fire brick plants in the entire country, and much of its growth and development has been due to his superior sagacity and business ability.

In 1885 Mr. Hitchcock married Miss Lily Purdy, and they have had a most happy married companionship of forty years, during which time six children have been born to their union, namely, Mrs. W. S. Hamilton, Lompoc, California; Mr. Morris K. Hitchcock, Portsmouth, Ohio; Mr. W. B. Hitchcock, Portsmouth, Ohio; Mr. L. L. Hitchcock, Portsmouth, Ohio; Mrs. Walter Head, Portsmouth, Ohio, and William L. Hitchcock, Jr., at home.

He is a Knight Templar and has affiliations with the Portsmouth Country Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the Bigelow Methodist Church. Both are active in church and participate in the club and social life of their community.

Their son, W. Ben Hitchcock, one of the prominent younger business men of Portsmouth and a valued assistant executive to his father in the brick industry, was born at Sciotoville, May 18, 1891. He acquired his early education in the public schools of Portsmouth and attending the Portsmouth High School. Already he has shown much interest in his father's business, had spent some vacation time in practical work at the yards and in the offices, and after high school enrolled himself regularly in the school of experience to master every phase of the business in the same way his father had done. He went into the clay mines with pick, spade and shovel, and has mastered every successive phase of the requirements in brick manufacture, including the right clay, freedom from objectionable substitutes, suitable moisture, handling at all stages, moulding in the yard, burning or firing with the right heat, heat and surroundings for the proper length of time, successful cooling to avoid

chips and cracks. Much of the clay used by the companies comes from underground mines or open pits in the states of Kentucky and Ohio. Mr. W. Ben Hitchcock is an active executive under his father in the ownership and operations of The Portsmouth Refractories Company.

He is a Knights Templar and Shriner, and has affiliations with the Portsmouth Country Club, the Exchange Club of Portsmouth, the Chamber of Commerce and the Second Presbyterian Church. Mr. Hitchcock married August 29, 1916, at Portsmouth, Miss Jessie Lee Mueller, of Henderson, Kentucky, daughter of George R. and Pauline (Swope) Mueller.

Howard M. Sims. A young Columbus man whose early career gives promise of achievement that will rank him as one of the ablest men in American finance is Howard M. Sims, now chief national bank examiner of the Federal Reserve District No. 7, with headquarters at Chicago.

Mr. Sims was born at Columbus, in 1890, son of Nelson and Isaqueena (Halm) Sims. His paternal grandparents were Simeon and Susannah (Seagrave) Sims, early residents of Muskingum County, Ohio. Nelson Sims was born in Muskingum County, in 1846, and has been a resident of Columbus since 1862. For thirty-five years he was one of the city's shoe merchants, and from 1899 to 1903 he held the office of county treasurer of Franklin County. He has been active in the republican party, and for many years was a member of the Ohio State Agricultural Society, which held the state fairs in Columbus. His home is at 805 East Broad Street, Columbus.

Howard M. Sims was liberally educated, attending the grammar and high schools of Columbus and the Ohio State University. As a boy his mind was set on banking as a career, and throughout his university course he was using his opportunities to prepare and train him for his chosen career. After finishing his education he gained his fundamental experience with the City National Bank of Columbus, beginning as messenger. He left the City National to become a state bank examiner of Ohio, and in 1921, under the Governor Davis administration, was made assistant superintendent of banks. The national comptroller of the currency, D. R. Crissinger, selected Mr. Sims, after he had been assistant superintendent of Ohio banks for six months, as chief national bank examiner for the Federal Reserve District No. 9. He held that office for eighteen months, his headquarters being at Minneapolis and his work was among the banks of the northwestern states. On February 1, 1923, he was transferred to Chicago as chief national bank examiner for Federal Reserve District No. 7, including the states of Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan and Indiana. Mr. Sims' Chicago offices are in the Federal Reserve Bank Building.

Thomas Jefferson Holmes. The bond of fellowship based primarily upon nativity in Ohio is particularly strong in the Ohio Society of Chicago, one of the most flourishing organizations of its kind. Among the native Ohio sons who have found their destinies and their working careers in Chicago is Thomas Jefferson Holmes, who has been an active member of the Ohio Society of Chicago there since its inception. He has been a resident of Chicago forty years, and has earned many of the distinctions given to able members of the legal profession.

Mr. Holmes at the annual meeting of the Ohio Society of Chicago in December, 1923, was honored by being elected president. Of the various state societies represented in Chicago the Ohio is probably without rival in effective loyalty to and representation of the native state. Its membership includes a large number of prominent Chicago men. The society is not merely a club, but it is carrying out systematically a program of definite achievement. It was under Mr. Holmes' leadership that a great memorial meeting for the late President Harding was held in Medinah Temple, the use of this temple for this purpose having been obtained through Mr. Holmes' personal influence with the officials of the Shrine. At this meeting a fund was raised and contributed to the Harding Memorial Project. During Mr. Holmes' administration work of every branch of the society was vigorously prosecuted, and the society is now at one of the most prosperous and interesting periods of its career. Many new members have been added within the past year.

Thomas Jefferson Holmes was born at West Union, in Adams County, Ohio, in 1860, son of John and Elizabeth (Traber) Holmes. This is one of the oldest families in Southern Ohio, the ancestors of Mr. Holmes having located in Adams County about the year 1798. Some members of the family have lived there ever since. In 1869 John Holmes moved with his family to Mercer County, Illinois, near Aledo. From the age of nine Thomas J. Holmes spent his boyhood and youth in that Illinois community, attending the local schools. He finished his literary education at the University of Illinois, where he was a student from 1880 to 1882. Going to Chicago, he entered the Union College of Law, now the Law School of Northwestern University, and was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1885. Since his admission to the bar he has practised in Chicago, and for many years has enjoyed a high position at the Chicago bar. He has served as treasurer of the Chicago Bar Association and president of the Chicago Law Institute.

He was assistant corporation counsel of the City of Chicago in 1895-97 and Master in Chancery in the Circuit Court of Cook County from 1903 to 1905. One of his hobbies has been good citizenship, and he has made many addresses on this subject as well as having contributed articles for various publications. He is a member of the Hamilton Club and the Flossmoor Country Club, and is a republican. He is a Knight Templar in the York Rite and a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, being a life member of both the Council and the Commandery, and belongs to the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Holmes married Miss Grace Blood, of Henry, Illinois, January 12, 1892. The three children born of their marriage were Devoe, Thomas J., Jr. and Grace G. Miss Grace is a student in the University of Chicago. The daughter Devoe married Harold Willard, of Baltimore, son of Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Willard are both deceased and left two children. The grandchildren of Mr. Holmes reside with Daniel Willard in Baltimore. The son, Thomas J., is a lieutenant of the Twelfth United States Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, having graduated from West Point Military Academy in June, 1924.

Carey W. Rhodes. A native Ohioan, reared and educated in this state, Carey W. Rhodes soon after his admission to the bar moved to Chicago, where for over a quarter of a century he has been associated with the work of a law firm that probably represents the widest range of distinctive legal talent in the Middle West. He is one of the prominent members of the Ohio Society of Chicago.

Mr. Rhodes was born near West Union, Adams County, Ohio, September 3, 1869, and his parents, Eli F. and Martha Jane (Mahaffey) Rhodes, were also born in this state. Carey W. Rhodes as a boy determined to qualify for a professional career. Beyond the common schools he had to depend upon

Edwin D. Weary

himself for the opportunities of a higher education. He attended the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and the Ohio Northern University at Ada, his higher education being accomplished during the intervals of school teaching. He also attended Ohio State University at Columbus. He taught school for a time in Fayette County, and read law at the county seat, Washington Court House, where he was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1896. Two weeks later in the same year, a plain Buckeye youth, he went to Chicago and began service as a law clerk in the law firm with which he has been identified ever since. In Chicago he completed his legal education by graduating from the Kent Law School of that city. The law firm of which he has been for some years an associate member is that of Mayer, Meyer, Austrian & Platt. This firm or its individual members and former eminent members have for thirty years or more been retained as counsel in a large part of the noteworthy causes in Chicago courts, and as corporation lawyers they represent a large number of industrial, transportation and other large business organizations. The work of Mr. Rhodes has been largely taken up with corporation law and the settlement of large estates. In the course of this work he has visited nearly every state in the Union. His indivdual efforts and marked talent have brought him a place of real prominence at the bar of a great city. Besides being one of the most enthusiastic members of the Ohio Society of Chicago, Mr. Rhodes is a member of the Hamilton Club, is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Edgewater Golf Club.

He married Miss Nellie L. Robbins, of Greenfield, Ohio. His offices are at 208 South La Salle Street, Chicago.

Edgar J. Brookhart. In the attractive little City of Celina, the judicial center of Mercer County, are established two substantial and well ordered insurance corporations that have contributed definitely to the prestige of Ohio in this special and important field of business enterprise. Of each of these corporations, the National Mutual Insurance Company and the Celina Mutual Casualty Company, Edgar J. Brookhart is the efficient secretary, and his progressive administration in this connection has been potent in the development of the business of each of the companies.

Mr. Brookhart, who is a lawyer by profession but whose time is now largely demanded by his executive duties as secretary of the two insurance corporations, was born and reared in Mercer County, the date of his nativity having been August 8, 1881, and he is a son of Jacob C. and Sarah M. (Upton) Brookhart. He was graduated from the high school at Mendon, this county, and thereafter completed a course in the law department of Ohio Northern University at Ada, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1903. After thus receiving his degree of Bachelor of Laws he was admitted to the bar of his native state and engaged in the practice of law at Celina. He made a record of successful professional achievement, and also served for some time as referee in bankruptcy.

In 1914 Mr. Brookhart directed his energies to the organizing of the National Mutual Insurance Company, of which he has since continued the secretary, and in February, 1920, he organized also the Celina Mutual Casualty Company, of which likewise he is the secretary.

The National Mutual Insurance Company, offering fire insurance indemnity along general lines, was organized September 24, 1914, and has had a "safe, sound and steady growth." Its total admitted cash assets, as shown in its eighteenth semi-annual statement, December 31, 1923, are $347,638.64, and its total liabilities are given as $220,215.19. The company carries full legal reserves, and its record has been one of splendid growth. The personnel of the official corps of this company is as here designated: O. F. Rentzsch, president; A. W. Parsons, vice president; D. M. Brookhart, treasurer; and E. J. Brookhart, secretary. The directorate includes these officers and one other member, Charles Montgomery, assistant secretary and treasurer.

The Celina Mutual Casualty Company, whose functions include full insurance coverage on automobiles, was organized February 23, 1920, and this corporation likewise has demonstrated in its service its worthiness as touching public support, with the result that its already substantial business shows a constantly cumulative tendency. Its statement of December 31, 1923, gives its total admitted cash assets as $152,699.53, and its net cash surplus as $11,833.77. The executive officers of the company are the same as those of the National Mutual Insurance Company, but F. U. Brookhart is the one other member of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Brookhart represents his companies as a member of the National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies, the Federation of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, and the National Association of Mutual Automotive Insurance Companies. Of the last named association Mr. Brookhart was the organizer and the first president.

In the time-honored Masonic fraternity Mr. Brookhart has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and in his connection with the great fraternity he is serving (1924) as district lecturer of the Fourth Ohio District. He is vice president of the Kiwanis Club of Celina, is a member and national councilor of the United States Chamber of Commerce, is secretary of the Board of Trustees of Ohio Northern University, is an active member of the North Shore Golf Club, and at Celina he and his wife are members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Brookhart, a popular leader in social and cultural circles in her home community, took both classical and musical courses in Ohio Northern University, and in Celina she has membership in the Alturian Club, the Community Club and the 1914 Club.

December 25, 1902, recorded the marriage of Mr. Brookhart and Miss Dora Montgomery, daughter of Dr. West Montgomery, a leading physician and surgeon at Ada, Ohio.

Edwin Delos Weary. While the ties of birthplace and native state are strong upon most men, the fact of having been born in Ohio is a distinction seldom lost sight of by any who can claim that honor. While he was born in Ohio and gained the early training in the line of business in which he has since become prominent in his native city, Edwin Delos Weary has achieved his greatest success during the forty years he has been a resident of Chicago. Mr. Weary is one of the former presidents of the Ohio Society of Chicago.

He was born in Akron, December 25, 1855, son of Simon B. and Eliza (Frank) Weary. He acquired a public school education in his native city and attended a technical school in Cleveland, and as a youth he went to work in the woodworking mill of Weary, Snyder & Wilcox Manufacturing Company at Akron. The head of this business was his father, Simon B. Weary. Mr. Weary's first employment was carrying shavings, and subsequently he was employed in all branches and in every department, and by the time he was twenty-one was general foreman of the works. In 1876 he went West, and for several years was connected with the Hallack & Howard Com-

pany in Denver, and in 1882 became a resident of Chicago. In Chicago he was made designer for A. H. Andrews & Company, office and school furniture manufacturers. Subsequently he was promoted to manager of the cabinet department of that company, but in 1892 resigned and began the business of which he is now president, Weary & Alford Company, architects and constructors of bank buildings. He has achieved well deserved fame as a designer and contractor of fine interiors, and the firm of Weary & Alford Company is now reputed to be the largest in America devoted exclusively to designing, building and equipping the finer bank structures.

Mr. Weary in addition to his duties as president and treasurer of Weary & Alford Company is president of the Athey Company, metal weather strip manufacturers, senior member of Weary & Beck, tile and mosaic contractors, and has served as president of the National Weather Strip Manufacturers' Association.

He was one of the original members of the Ohio Society of Chicago, and was elected president of that society in 1916. Mr. Weary has found one of his diversions in writing and composing poetry. A number of his poems have been set to music and several of them are included in the song book used by the Ohio Society of Chicago. One of them, entitled "Ohio," has been set to music by D. D. Lash and adopted as the official song of the society. Mr. Weary has also written a number of articles for trade journals and magazines on technical and constructional subjects in his chosen field.

Mr. Weary is a member of the famous Chicago Club known as "The Bugs," of which he is a past "Big Bug." The membership of this club is limited to 100, and is composed of active Chicago business and professional men. Its social functions are decidedly of a Bohemian nature and are often enlivened by costuming and picturesque burlesque. Mr. Weary is also a member of the Union League, South Shore Country, Midlothian Country and Chicago Motor clubs of Chicago, Chicago Athletic Association, the Denver Club of Denver, the Family Club of San Francisco and Los Angeles Athletic Club.

On May 20, 1885, he married Miss Zella Redman, of Wooster, Ohio. They have three children, Edwin Frank, Leslie Albert and Rollin Delos. Mr. Weary and family reside at 5620 Blackstone Avenue, and his offices are at 1923 Calumet Avenue in Chicago.

William S. Bundy. A younger representative of a family that has been one of distinction in Ohio public affairs for several generations, William S. Bundy qualified for the law about the time America entered the war, served with the Navy during that period, and then took up private practice. He is a resident of Columbus, where he is performing his duties as a member of the Ohio Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Bundy was born at Norwood, in Hamilton County, Ohio, December 25, 1893, son of W. E. and Eva (Leedom) Bundy. Both his great-grandfather, H. S. Bundy and his grandfather, John P. Leedom, represented the old Tenth Ohio District in Congress, H. S. Bundy was one of the foremost men of influence in his day in Southern Ohio. He was born in 1817, and was one of the leaders in the original republican party. He was elected to Congress in 1864 and later was elected for several other terms. His daughter Julia became the wife of the late Governor Joseph Benson Foraker. The only son of H. S. Bundy was William S. Bundy, who died in 1867, his death being the result of a wound received while a Union soldier. William E. Bundy, father of the young Columbus attorney and grandson of H. S. Bundy, was born on the site of the City of Wellston in Jackson County, Ohio, October 4, 1866. He was reared and educated by his grandfather, H. S. Bundy, and graduated in law in 1890. He practiced law at Cincinnati, with home at Norwood in Hamilton County, and was United States district attorney at the time of his death in 1903.

William S. Bundy was ten years of age when his father died. He was born at Norwood, and in 1904 his mother moved to Los Angeles, California. During the three years he spent in California he attended school. In the latter part of 1906, returning to Ohio, he soon entered Culver Military Academy in Indiana, and finished his literary education in Ohio University at Athens, where he was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1914. Subsequently he studied law in the Cincinnati Law School, and was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1917.

In the latter part of 1917 Mr. Bundy volunteered for duty in the Navy at Washington, and was assigned to the Bureau of Naval Intelligence at Norfolk, with the rank of Master of Arms, first class. He performed this service until December, 1918. After his discharge Mr. Bundy practiced law at Akron for a year or so. During the national campaign of 1920 he made speeches throughout the state for the republican state and national ticket under the auspices of the State Republican Executive Committee. His active leadership in the republican party is in line with the history of his family for several generations. Upon the election of Hon. Harry L. Davis as governor, Mr. Bundy became executive clerk in the governor's office at Columbus in January, 1921, and performed those duties until December 15, 1922. At that date, having been appointed a member of the Ohio Civil Service Commission, he took up the duties of his new office.

Mr. Bundy married Miss Marie Baldwin, of Bellefontaine, Ohio. They have one daughter, Julia Marie, born July 22, 1922.

William E. Swift, Jr. One of Ohio's native sons who have achieved business prominence in the City of Chicago is William E. Swift, Jr., assistant secretary of the Farmers National Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Swift was born at Columbus, in 1897, and his parents, William E. and Margaret (Lee) Swift, were also born in the same city. William E. Swift, Sr., was well known in Columbus, where for fifteen years he was connected with the City Fire Department, and was captain of one of the units of the city fire fighting forces. In 1913 he removed with his family to Chicago, and is now in the retail cigar business in that city.

William E. Swift, Jr., received his early education in the public schools of Columbus and completed his schooling in Chicago. In 1915, when he was sixteen years old, he entered the offices of the Farmers National Life Insurance Company of Chicago as an office boy. Industry and intelligent application to his duties, supplemented by his natural talent and ambition, have brought him rapidly to successive responsibilities until he is now assistant secretary, an important honor for a young man of twenty-six.

The Farmers National Life Insurance Company, as its name indicates, has its business mostly in the rural districts, its principal territory covering the middle western states. The president of the company is Mr. John M. Stahl, nationally known as an agricultural writer and journalist and thoroughly familiar with agricultural conditions and problems. The company occupies its own building at 3401 Michigan Avenue.

Mr. Swift is an active member of the Ohio Society of Chicago.

Charles A. Atkinson spent his early life in Southern Ohio, and earned his first success as a lawyer

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there. Mr. Atkinson for many years has been vice president and general counsel of the Federal Life Insurance Company of Chicago, ever since its organization on February 10, 1900.

He was born at Webster, in Scioto County, Ohio, on February 9, 1852, son of Lewis A. and Amanda (Long) Atkinson. His father was a native of Gallia County, Ohio. He was active in the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church until the time of the Civil war. He became a private in the Ninety-first Ohio Infantry, and subsequently was promoted to lieutenant and then to captain. At the last battle in the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia he was disabled by a bullet wound. While he recovered in some measure the wound eventually was the direct cause of his death in 1882. While he was not in the active ministry during the years following the war, he retained his connection with the church. He became widely known over several counties in Southern Ohio, and in his community it was estimated that he married at least 500 young couples.

When Charles A. Atkinson was a year old, in 1853, the family moved to Jackson, in Jackson County. He grew up there, attended the public schools, and in 1874 graduated from Ohio University at Athens. Mr. Atkinson studied law under one of the foremost lawyers in Southern Ohio in his day, Judge Hastings, at Jackson. Mr. Atkinson was admitted to the bar in the Centennial year 1876, and in the same year was elected prosecuting attorney of Jackson County and by reelection in 1878 held that office four years. He continued the general practice of law in Jackson County for a number of years.

From 1886 to 1898 Mr. Atkinson practiced law at Lincoln, Nebraska. In 1897 he was appointed a special United States district attorney, and while handling the work assigned to him in that capacity he made his headquarters at Rock Island, Illinois. Mr. Atkinson resigned in the latter part of 1899, and then became associated with the founders and organizers of the Federal Life Insurance Company. This company began business in February, 1900, and Mr. Atkinson has had his home in Chicago since that date. As vice president and general counsel he has contributed in an important measure to the great financial stability and prosperity of the Federal Life. He is a member of the Association of Life Insurance Counsel, an organization composed of more than one hundred members who are general counsel of the leading Legal Reserve Life Insurance Companies of the country. He is also a member of the Legal Section of the American Life Convention, which is an organization composed of over 140 of the leading members of the Legal Reserve Life Insurance Companies of the United States.

In his younger years in Ohio Mr. Atkinson was a leader in the public and political affairs of his section of the state. As a member of the Republican State Executive Committee he enjoyed the friendship and confidence of many of the foremost republicans of that day, including President McKinley, and his opinion and judgment were frequently sought in the councils of the party. Mr. Atkinson is a Knight Templar, Mason and Shriner. He was elected president of the Ohio Society of Chicago in 1922. This society has a membership of over 300 former Ohions living in Chicago, all of them successful men and many of them prominent citizens of their adopted city.

Joseph C. Breitenstein. It seldom occurs that a young lawyer recently admitted to practice comes face to face with responsibilities and meets them with the ability and skill of a veteran attorney. This was the exceptional experience of Joseph C. Breitenstein, who within a few months after his admission to the bar was appointed United States assistant district attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. He was in that office throughout the period of the World war and afterwards, and his name is justly distinguished for the efficiency and skill with which he handled cases as the legal representative of the United States.

Mr. Breitenstein is a native of Ohio, born at Canton, July 30, 1884, son of Louis and Mary A. (Shane) Breitenstein. As a boy he attended St. Peter's Catholic School at Canton. He finished his classical education in 1910, when he received the Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Francis College, now Quincy College, at Quincy, Illinois. Subsequently, in 1911, he was made private secretary to United States Senator Atlee Pomerene, serving in that capacity from 1911 until May, 1915. His duties took him to Washington, and while there he studied law in Georgetown University, where he was graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1914. He was admitted to the bar of the State of Ohio and of the District of Columbia in 1915, and subsequently was admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court.

In the same month that he resigned as private secretary to Senator Pomerene, Mr. Breitenstein was appointed by Attorney General Gregory as United States assistant district attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. His headquarters were at Cleveland and Toledo, though his duties required his time over the district and occasionally in other states. Mr. Breitenstein resigned as United States assistant district attorney November 15, 1922, and on the same day was appointed special United States assistant district attorney to complete the famous case of the government against Louis and Abe Auerbach for violation of the liquor laws and other cases in the United States District Court at Cleveland. Mr. Breitenstein was engaged in this special litigation until March 15, 1923. Then, after nearly eight years of continuous service for the government in a legal capacity, he opened offices for the private practice of law at Cleveland, with offices in the Guardian Building, and is now a member of the law firm of Wertz & Breitenstein, with offices in the Union Trust Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

While United States assistant district attorney Mr. Breitenstein never lost a case for the government, and during his incumbency in this office he handled more cases for the government than any other person who held that office for the Northern District of Ohio since the establishment of the government. It was this brilliant and resourceful United States assistant district attorney who developed the evidence and prosecuted the case for the government against Eugene V. Debs for obstructing the government in the prosecution of the war. It was by far the most famous of all the government's war cases in that category, and, as is well known, Debs was sent to the Atlanta Penitentiary after his conviction. He also handled the so-called Ruthenberg case during the World war, in which a conviction was had for violation of the draft laws.

However, the work in the United States district attorney's office for which Mr. Breitenstein achieved his greatest reputation was as a counsellor to the officers of the government of the United States in the Northern District of Ohio. As a legal counsel for the officers of the United States he was the legal advisor of the United States internal revenue collectors in Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, and their deputies, as well as postmasters and postoffice inspectors, secret service men, prohibition officers, narcotic officers, the U. S. marshal and his deputies, immigration officers, steamboat inspectors, income tax agents and income tax inspectors, the U. S. Shipping Board, agents of the Department of Justice, U. S. customs officers, in fact, officials of all the departments of the govern-

ment. He was the constant advisor of the revenue collectors and income tax officers from the early days of the income tax laws and aided them in solving the many new and intricate questions of law with which those officers of the government were daily confronted in the administration of the income tax and revenue laws of the United States.

Many of the cases which he handled in the District Court of the United States and which were later affirmed by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit at Cincinnati and the Supreme Court of the United States established precedent and are of great value to the United States in subsequent cases, for instance: Previous to Mr. Breitenstein's appointment as United States assistant district attorney for the Northern District of Ohio there had been practically no decisions upon the conspiracy statute of the United States in this circuit, and the decided cases in United States courts throughout the country were few in number. In the celebrated Rudner case, in which there were eighteen defendants, Mr. Breitenstein prepared and tried a case involving a continuous conspiracy, and this case is cited in nearly every conspiracy case tried in the United States. It was one of the early cases involving a conspiracy to violate the National Prohibition Act and was cited with approval in the so-called Remus case, as well as in the many other conspiracy cases prosecuted by the United States. It was Mr. Breitenstein who prepared and conducted, on behalf of the United States, the so-called MoeBaron case at Cleveland, the case of the United States vs. Cecil Kerns, et. al., at Toledo, and the case of United States vs. Louis and Abe Auerbach, et. al., at Cleveland, Ohio, all of which involved a violation of the conspiracy section of the criminal code of the United States in connection with the National Prohibition Act. These cases involved many intricate questions of law, and some of them were carried to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Cincinnati, where they were affirmed and later affirmed by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr. Breitenstein during his term of office as United States assistant district attorney handled many important cases involving violation of Section 215 of the Criminal Code of the United States, known as the section prohibiting the use of the United States mails to defraud. Among the cases of this character which he handled was the case entitled United States vs. John J. Shea et. al., which was tried at Toledo, Ohio, before Hon. John M. Killits, United States district judge, and later affirmed by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court of the United States. He also conducted, on behalf of the government, the so-called Glass Casket case at Toledo, Ohio, and has achieved the reputation as an expert in this difficult branch of the law. The courts all over the country have since followed the precedent established by him in the cases mentioned above. All cases handled by Mr. Breitenstein which were carried to the United States Circuit Court and the Supreme Court of the United States were decided in favor of the government.

On account of his unusual experience in federal courts and the executive departments of the government at Washington Mr. Breitenstein is looked upon as a specialist in federal law and procedure, and is called by many lawyers to handle cases for them in the district courts of the United States throughout the country as well as the United States Circuit Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court of the United States. While he is engaged in the general practice of the law, most of his time is devoted to federal practice and in the practice of corporation law, being counsel and director in a number of corporations and financial institutions.

Ever since his graduation, and in fact during his college days, Mr. Breitenstein has been interested in public questions, and for many years was intimately associated with United States Senator Atlee Pomerene in all of his political campaigns. In 1916 he was secretary of the Democratic State Executive Committee for the State of Ohio and managed the campaign in Ohio in that year for Woodrow Wilson for reelection as President of the United States, and Atlee Pomerene and James M. Cox, who were candidates for reelection in that year to the offices of United States senator and governor of Ohio, respectively. In that year as the campaign manager for Senator Atlee Pomerene he accomplished what was considered an almost insuperable task in bringing about the reelection of United States Senator Atlee Pomerene over Myron T. Herrick, former governor of Ohio and former ambassador of the United States to the Republic of France, the republican candidate for United States senator in that year. Because of his political activity he has a wide acquaintance with public men in Ohio and in the various states of the United States and public officials in Washington, and is a well known figure in politics in Ohio as well as in the nation. He is an eloquent and forceful public speaker.

He has been admitted to practice before all of the Courts of Record of the State of Ohio, of the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Ohio and other districts in the United States, and the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit at Cincinnati, Ohio, the Supreme Court of the United States, the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia and the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, and the executive departments of the United States at Washington, D. C. He is a member of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, the Citizens League of Cleveland, the Cleveland Athletic Club and Sleepy Hollow Country Club, a member of Canton (Ohio) Council of Knights of Columbus and a member of the Cuyahoga County Bar Association, Stark County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

Maurice Moody. As railway official, land agent, financier and banker probably no one citizen more completely impressed his individuality and the influence of his activities upon the twin cities of Dennison and Uhrichsville with the degree that did the late Maurice Moody. He was a resident of that locality for more than three score and ten years. His death occurred January 23, 1923, aged seventy-five. In addition to his many responsibilities in business his career was strictly characterized as a long life well lived, and made happy and strengthened daily by the blessed companionship in the home and fearless faith in the eternal life.

He was born at the Village of New Market, in Harrison County, Ohio, July 20, 1847, son of Thomas and Rachel (Hutchinson) Moody. Three years later his parents moved to a stage coach station a short distance from Scio, where his father followed his trade of blacksmith, looking after the horses used with the coaches. In 1852 the family removed to Uhrichsville, living successively on South Water Street and at the corner of Main and Second streets, and Maurice Moody came to manhood in the home at the northeast corner of Third and Uhrich. He finished his public school education at Uhrichsville in 1863, and then taught a term of school, clerked in the George Goodman clothing store, and in 1864 became clerk in the provost marshal's office, which had been moved from New Philadelphia to Uhrichsville. After the end of the war he closed up the business of that office at Barnesville.

Mr. Moody had some official responsibility in the

railway service for nearly forty years. His first work was in the oil room of the Steubenville & Indiana Railroad, which subsequently became a part of the railway system. After six months he was made night storekeeper, and six months later advanced to day storekeeper. In 1868, less than two years after his first employment, he was made chief clerk to the master mechanic, D. P. Denmead. From the date of that appointment until 1903, in addition to many other business duties, he held the office of chief clerk to the master mechanic at Dennison. In 1875 he was made chief clerk to the superintendent at Dennison, and subsequently was made chief clerk to the two division superintendents there. When these positions were consolidated under E. B. Taylor, who later became the vice president of the Pennsylvania, the office of the superintendent was moved to Pittsburgh, Mr. Moody declining to remove to that city in order to look after his duties with the Dennison Land Company. At that time he resumed his former position as chief clerk to the master mechanic.

The Dennison Land Company owned practically all the land upon which the City of Dennison is situated. Its owners were men of national prominence, including Edgar Thompson, later president of the Pennsylvania Railway; Thomas A. Scott, who became vice president of the Pennsylvania Railway; Hugh Jewett, president of the Erie Railroad; his brother, Thomas Jewett, who became president of the P. C. C. & St. L. Railroad; Judge McIlvaine; William Dennison, war governor of Ohio; Mr. Clement, a railway capitalist of Cincinnati; a New York firm of lawyers, Green & Alexander, the latter who became president of the Equitable Life Insurance Company; and Col. George McCook, of Steubenville, member of the famous fighting McCook family. Mr. Moody handled most of the business as local agent to Colonel McCook, and at the death of Colonel McCook in 1878 succeeded to his place and on the death of Governor Dennison in 1879, bought the governor's interests in the company. Later he and E. B. Taylor and C. D. Street, local master mechanic for the Continental Railway, acquired the interests of the Land Company, and eventually Mr. Moody became its sole owner. Mr. Street was a brother-in-law of Robert Pitcairn, banking official in charge of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Pittsburgh and points west. These men had much to do with inaugurating measures that started Dennison on a permanent program of building and growth.

Mr. Moody in 1872 established the Dennison Building & Loan Company, on the so-called terminating plan, which automatically passed out of existence in ten years. He served as its secretary, and about 1884, after the termination of the first company, he organized the Dennison and Uhrichsville Building & Loan Company, becoming its secretary and treasurer, with C. B. Street as president. This has made a record as one of the oldest and most prosperous building and loan associations in the state, and Mr. Moody was its president for many years. Mr. Moody and Mr. Street in 1888 became stockholders in the Delaware Company with other railway officials. This company built the local waterworks at Dennison, and Mr. Moody was its first secretary and later for many years president of the Dennison Water Supply Company. In the real estate business he laid out in 1887 Thornwood Park. He was vice president of the Dennison Sewer Pipe Company, was president of the Bowling Coal & Mining Company, and a director of the Dennison Foundry & Machine Company. For some years he was interested in the local press, buying a half interest in the Tuscarawas Chronicle about 1880, and retained an interest until about 1894.

In 1895 he became associated with I. E. Demuth and T. A. Latto in the Union Bank at Uhrichsville. The Union Bank was founded by George Johnson in 1874, and upon the retirement of Mr. Johnson in 1893 the management was turned over to I. E. Demuth, cashier, and T. A. Latto, a merchant. Mr. Moody on joining them became president of the bank, with Mr. Latto as vice president and Mr. Demuth as cashier, and his son, E. D. Moody, as assistant cashier. With the failure in November, 1895, of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, and in July, 1896, of the Dennison Deposit Bank, the Union Bank was the only one left in business in the twin cities. In 1897 Mr. Moody, with his two associates, Latto and Demuth, established the Merchants & Mechanics Bank in Dennison, with E. D. Moody as the executive in charge. This became the Dennison National Bank in 1903, and the late Mr. Moody was president from its founding.

On the death of I. E. Demuth in 1903, the former cashier of the Union Bank, Mr. Moody resigned from the post he had so long held as chief clerk to the master mechanic in order to give all of his personal time to his banking responsibilities, and continued until his retirement, July 1, 1922. The late Mr. Moody was actuated by a splendid public spirit and sense of moral obligation in his community. He was a Unitarian or Universalist in his religious beliefs, but had no home church because these denominations were not represented in the twin cities. However, he gave liberally to the building and upkeep of other churches. He was a leader in the temperance movement, helping make Uhrichsville dry the first time in 1885.

On June 6, 1871, he married Clara J. Keepers. Her father, William V. Keepers, was the first mayor of Uhrichsville. At the time of his marriage Mr. Moody built and moved into the house at 514 E. Third Street, Uhrichsville, Ohio, where he resided until his death more than half a century later. He is survived by his wife, two sons and four grandchildren. His son Edwin Denmead Moody is now president of the Dennison National Bank, while the son William V. Moody is president of the Union Bank of Uhrichsville.

William Crittenden Mooney. The largest and strongest banking house of Monroe County and one of the most vigorous financial organizations in Southeastern Ohio is the Monroe Bank, a state bank, which has just completed fifty years of consecutive progress. This bank has had three presidents, grandfather, father and son, William Crittenden Mooney representing the third generation and the third president. The bank has capital of $50,000, surplus of $100,000, and aggregate resources of $1,600,000. The banking house is one of the best equipped in this section of Ohio, and the bank owns the entire four-story building, the three upper floors being used for offices.

The first president of this bank was Col. Samuel Lewis Mooney, who was born at Captina, in Belmont County, Ohio, June 14, 1830. He acquired a public school education, and at the age of sixteen went to work as clerk in a general store at Armstrongs Mills. From there he moved to Beallsville, and with his brother-in-law, J. W. Armstrong, was in business as a merchant for twelve years, from 1850 to 1862. In 1862 Colonel Mooney established his home at Woodsfield, where he continued his active business career.

It was in 1874 that he organized and became president of the Monroe Bank, which opened for business March 4, 1874. Colonel Mooney was president of this institution over forty years until he lost his life in an automobile accident on April 2, 1916.

Colonel Mooney was easily one of the most prominent and influential citizens Monroe County ever had. He built and was president of the Ohio River and

Western Railroad, a line 112 miles long between Bellaire and Zanesville. He sold this property in 1912 to the Pennsylvania Railway. He owned extensive farm interests in Monroe County, and was president of the International Coal Company, owning 25,000 acres of coal lands in Belmont County. He was a close friend of William McKinley and served as colonel on the staff of Mr. McKinley when the latter was governor. He was one of the organizers of Woodsfield Lodge No. 377, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, was a member of the First Methodist Church, and was one of Ohio's presidential electors in 1904.

William Crittenden Mooney, Sr., son of the late Col. Samuel L. Mooney, was born at Beallsville, Ohio June 15, 1855, and died in New York City, July 24, 1918. He was a boy when his parents located at Woodsfield in 1862. He acquired his education there, and as a youth worked two years as a bookkeeper with the firm of Taylor & Armstrong at Bellaire. On December 24, 1874, when the Monroe Bank was opened with his father as president, he became one of its employes, being then nineteen years old. In 1878 he was elected cashier of the bank, in 1898 became vice president and general manager, and in 1916, on the death of his father, was elected president, and held that office until his death two years later. He possessed many of the able characteristics of his father, both in business and in public affairs.

One of the leading republicans in his section of the state, he was elected and served as a member of Congress, representing the Sixteenth Ohio District, from March, 1915, to March, 1917. He was a member of the building committee during the construction of the Monroe County Courthouse, was president and treasurer of the Monroe County Agricultural Society, was vice president and treasurer of the Ohio River and Western Railway from its organization in 1874 until it was sold in 1912 to the Pennsylvania System. He was president of the Ohio Oil Producers Association, and was a director in the Ohio State Fire Insurance Company, the First National Bank of Columbus, the International Coal Company and in the Burkett Manufacturing Company of Columbus. He was always ready with work or other assistance in movements to benefit his town and county. He was a member of the School Board and was on the building committee during the erection of the public school building and courthouse at Woodsfield. He also served on the building committee and was otherwise active in membership in the First Methodist Episcopal Church. He was affiliated with Woodsfield Lodge No. 377, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The later William C. Mooney was also distinguished by his strong love for fine horses. He owned the famous Donna Clay and Early Don, the fastest full brother and sister on record in their time. His wife was Elizabeth Davenport, who is still living at Woodsfield.

Their son, William Crittenden Mooney, was born at Woodsfield, October 7, 1884, being third in a family of six children, consisting of four boys and two girls. He availed himself of the liberal educational opportunities offered, attending the Woodsfield High School, Ohio State University and graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1907 from Yale University, where on his scholarship record was elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa. While in high school he acquired practical knowledge of banking by work during vacations and at other times in the Monroe Bank. In 1909 he was made cashier, his father at that time being vice president and his grandfather, president. When his father was removed from the presidency by death in 1918 the son was admirably qualified to become president of this old and honored financial institution, and has carefully guided its destiny since then. He has served as secretary and president of Group Seven of the Ohio State Bankers Association, and as president of the Monroe County Bankers Association. During the World war he was chairman of the War Savings Stamp campaign and active in other patriotic movements. Mr. Mooney is a republican, a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Methodist Episcopal Church, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a past master of Woodsfield Lodge No. 189 of Masons.

On June 10, 1913, he married Miss Lorena Beard, of Woodsfield, where she was born and reared, daughter of John Beard, a retired carpenter and contractor. Mrs. Mooney is active in church and club circles. They have two daughters, Mary Elizabeth and Martha. Mr. Mooney is chairman of the Monroe County Good Roads Federation, of which he was one of the organizers, and is treasurer of the Monroe County Fair Association.

Edward Smith Parsons. The president of Marietta College since June 1, 1919, has been Edward Smith Parsons, a man of exceptional accomplishments in the field of education, a scholar and writer as well as an administrator.

Doctor Parsons was born at Brooklyn, New York, August 9, 1863, of old American ancestry. The Parsons family for several generations had their home at Wiscasset, Maine. They were of a hearty sea-faring race. His great-grandfather, Capt. Josiah Parsons, was a sea captain and fought with the American colonists at the Battle of Bunker Hill in the Revolution. The grandfather was Capt. Josiah Parsons, Jr., a sea captain and ship owner. He was a part owner in the vessel that brought the Andrew Carnegie family to the United States. Charles H. Parsons, father of Doctor Parsons, was born at Wiscasset, Maine, and died in 1905, at the age of seventy-nine. He became a manufacturer, and spent many years in business in New York, being a director of the South Brooklyn Savings Institution, a charter member of the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Brooklyn and associated in an official capacity with the American Home Missionary Society. He was a republican in politics. Charles H. Parsons married Esther Smith, who died in 1889, in her seventy-fourth year. She was a daughter of Col. Ashbel Smith, of Hanover, New Hampshire, a farmer. She was a niece of Hon. Cyrus P. Smith, the first mayor of Brooklyn. Timothy Smith, one of the ancestors of the family, moved from Old Hadley, Massachusetts, to Hanover, New Hampshire, and was one of the donors of the land on which Dartmouth College was built. Timothy Smith was a descendant of Lieut. Samuel Smith, a noted New Englander in Colonial times. Sophia Smith, another descendant of Lieutenant Samuel, was the founder of Smith College, and still another descendant of Lieutenant Smith was Mary Lyon, a founder of Mount Holyoke College.

Charles H. Parsons and his wife had four children, one daughter dying in infancy. The oldest son, Charles A., was associated in business with his father, and died at the age of twenty-eight. Frank H. Parsons, a graduate of Amherst College in the class of 1881, of the Columbia Law School in 1884, has practiced law in New York City for forty years, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Dime Savings Bank, a director of the Title Guarantee Company of New York and a member for many years of the Board of Directors of the Brooklyn Young Men's Christian Association.

Edward Smith Parsons was reared in Brooklyn, graduating in 1879 from the Brooklyn Collegiate and Polytechnic Institute. Like other members of the family, including his own sons, he is an alumnus of Amherst College. He graduated Bachelor of Arts

in 1883, Master of Arts in 1886 and in 1903 Amherst conferred on him the honorary degree Doctor of the Humanities. He was a student in Columbia University in 1883-84 and graduated in 1887 from the Yale Divinity School with the Bachelor of Divinity degree. Doctor Parsons has always been an advocate of the thorough and systematic training of the body. While in school he spent his summers on his uncle's farm at Pepperell, Massachusetts, and while in college participated in athletics, being pitcher for his class baseball team at Amherst, and played tennis, and in later years has continued outdoor pursuits in mountain climbing and hiking. He made four trips to Europe, two for pleasure and two for study. He spent his vacations abroad in 1886 and 1895, and during 1900-01 was in Switzerland, Lausanne, and Oxford, England, for special studies, and during 1912-13 was at the University at Munich and also in Italy.

Ordained to the Congregational ministry in 1883, Doctor Parsons was pastor of the First Congregational Church at Greeley, Colorado, from 1888 until 1892. In 1892 he took the chair of English in Colorado College at Colorado Springs, serving in that capacity until 1917. In the meantime from 1898 to 1916 he was vice president of the college and was dean from 1901 to 1917. During the period of the World war Doctor Parsons from 1917 to 1919 was associate secretary of the War Personnel Board of the National War Work Council of the Young Men's Christian Association in New York. While still in this service he was called to his present post as president of Marietta College. His first war service was as Young Men's Christian Association educational director at Camp Meade. While in Colorado Doctor Parsons was one of the founders and the first president of the Rocky Mountain faculty athletic conference.

He married at Cleveland, December 4, 1889, Miss Mary Augusta Ingersoll, daughter of George Lyman and Kate (Talcott) Ingersoll. Mrs. Parsons was born in Cleveland. They are the parents of five talented children. The oldest, Charles E., graduated from Amherst College in 1913, took his medical degree in the Johns Hopkins University Medical College in 1919, had one year of interne experience in the Johns Hopkins Hospital, two years at the Roosevelt Hospital in New York, and after close association with the famous Doctor Grenfell is now head of the Notre Dame Memorial Hospital at Twillingate in New Foundland. The older daughter, Esther Parsons, secretary to her father, attended Cutler Academy in Colorado Springs and the Miss Capen School. The second daughter, Elizabeth Ingersoll Parsons, graduated from Vassar College in 1917, and is doing graduate work at Johns Hopkins University. Edward S. Parsons, Jr., is a graduate of Amherst and is now general manager of the Miami Coal Company in Cincinnati. The youngest child, Talcott Parsons, graduated from Amherst College last June and is now a student at the London (England) School of Economics.

Doctor Parsons is a member of the scholarship honorary fraternity Phi Beta Kappa, the Chi Psi social fraternity. He is a firm believer in the principles of the League of Nations, and during his career as an educator has been a contributor of articles to magazines and newspapers and is the author of "The Social Message of Jesus," published in 1911, and the editor of an edition of Milton's Minor Poems, published in 1900.

William Elmer Radcliff, M. D. One of the most competent physicians and surgeons of Noble County is Dr. William Elmer Radcliff of Caldwell. Doctor Radcliff has had eighteen years of successful experience. His professional success is the more creditable for the fact that he had to work and pay all the expenses of his advanced schooling, both college and medical school.

He was born in Noble County, September 7, 1874. His grandfather, David Radcliff, came from County Down, Ireland, where he was born, and settled in Ohio at the age of seventeen. He was a pioneer, and entered government land in Olive Township of Noble County, making eventually an excellent farm. He was a member of the Masonic Order, and both he and his son William were members of the Universalist Church. William Radcliff, who was born in Olive Township of Noble County, followed farming and stock raising during his active career, and was one of the prominent citizens. He died in January, 1917, aged seventy-eight. His fraternal affiliation was with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife, Eliza Sriver, was born in Noble County, where her parents settled on coming from Pennsylvania.

Second in a family of three children, William Elmer Radcliff determined when a boy what his permanent vocation should be, but a number of years elapsed before he could realize his ambition. He put in a number of seasons as a practical farmer. He was educated in public schools, attended the Southern Iowa Normal School at Bloomfield, Iowa, where he was graduated with the degree Bachelor of Didactics, but had taught before graduating and while engaged in farming. He taught for a time at Savannah, Iowa, then in Ohio, and did his first year's medical work in Starling Medical College at Columbus. He was graduated Doctor of Medicine from the medical department of Purdue University in 1906, and during his last year was interne in the college infirmary.

Doctor Radcliff after graduating practiced at Edinburg, Indiana, until 1907, when, returning to Ohio, he conducted a successful practice at Rennersville, in Morgan County, until 1912. Since that year his home has been in Caldwell. He does a general practice, but has been particularly successful in obstetrics. He is a member of the Noble County Medical Society, the Ohio State and American Medical associations, and has served four years as county coroner.

Doctor Radcliff is a man of varied interests, being a lover of horses, takes pleasure in hunting and fishing, and is prominent in Masonry, being a past master of Sharon Lodge No. 136, Free and Accepted Masons, past high priest of Cumberland Chapter No. 116, Royal Arch Masons, past thrice illustrious master of Cumberland Council, Royal and Select Masons, is a member of Cambridge Commandery No. 47, Knights Templar, is actively interested in the work of the Lodge of Perfection and the Rose Croix Chapter, the Scottish Rite bodies at Cambridge, and is a member of Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite of Columbus. He also belongs to Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is a past chancellor commander of Caldwell Lodge No. 280, Knights of Pythias. Doctor Radcliff is a democrat.

He married, August 31, 1899, Miss Mary Elizabeth Raney, daughter of Dr. Zachariah V. and Eliza (Conn) Raney, both now deceased, her father a native of Noble County and her mother of Morgan County. Doctor Raney, who died in October, 1917, aged seventy-eight, was a pioneer dentist at Logan, Ohio. Mrs. Radcliff is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Their only child, Greeley, died in 1918.

John S. H. Patton, clerk of courts of Jefferson County, 1921 to 1925, has been a lifelong resident of Steubenville, and his character and ability have commended him in every position of responsibility he has held.

Born at Steubenville, Ohio, February 26, 1889,

he is the son of Robert and Irene G. (Hunter) Patton. The Patton family came from Belmont County, Ohio, where they were among the first settlers. They also are numbered with the first settlers of the State of Maryland. Robert Patton was connected with the Old Jefferson Iron Works in the operating department. He was killed at a railroad crossing in Steubenville, Ohio, December 3, 1889. His widow, Irene G. Lytle, was remarried and is still living.

Samuel D. Hunter, grandfather of Irene G. (Hunter) Lytle, was a distinguished pioneer of Jefferson County, serving as sheriff of the county in 1844, and later as probate judge. Her father, Thomas C. Hunter, was a soldier in the One Hundred Fifty-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war.

The Hunters came from Old Virginia, where they were early settlers. Several of them fought during the Revolutionary war under George Washington. In the early part of the nineteenth century Samuel D. Hunter, son of Henry Hunter and one of a large family, had stage coaches running from Baltimore, Maryland, to Wheeling, West Virginia. He later came to Wheeling and then to Steubenville, Ohio, where he remained one of the leading citizens until his death. His three sons all served during the War of the Rebellion. Thomas C. Hunter, the grandfather of John S. H. Patton, was prominent in the city welfare. He served several terms in the Council of said city, and also during his time was the leading painting contractor.

Thomas C. Hunter's wife was Mary G. Gamble, daughter of William Gamble and Martha Work. The Gambles were Scotch and the Works were Irish. The Gambles were residents of Pittsburgh during the War of 1812, and William Gamble served in said war, the ancestors of the Hunters and Gambles serving during all the wars of this country.

John S. H. Patton is the youngest of four children, and was nine months old when his father was killed. The older children are Louella; Thomas C., who married Margaret Schoef, and has five children, named Irene, Joseph, Robert, Mary and Betty; and Robert W., who is a veteran of the World war, having been in Company L, Three Hundred Fifteenth Infantry, Seventy-ninth Division, and while on the battle front was gassed November 10, 1918, the day before the armistice.

John S. H. Patton attended the public schools at Steubenville, where he graduated from high school in 1908. For several months he was clerk in the offices of the Carnegie Mill at Mingo Junction, Ohio. For over eleven years prior to becoming a candidate for clerk of courts of Jefferson County, Ohio, he was clerk in the Steubenville postoffice. He was nominated for clerk of courts on the republican ticket August 10, 1920, and in November, 1920, was elected to said office. He has given four years of very capable service to the county. He is unmarried, making his home with his mother.

Mr. Patton is a United Presbyterian, Knight Templar, Shriner and Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, Sons of Veterans, Modern Woodmen of America, Redmen and Kiwanis Club. He is prominent politically and socially, and has been identified with all branches of amateur and professional athletics in Southern Ohio and West Virginia. He is a member of the National Board of Basket Ball Officials, also of the Ohio Conference Board of Football Officials, a division of the Central Board. For the past fifteen years he has officiated in many important professional school and college games.

GILES M. BRATTAIN, M. D. For a third of a century Dr. Giles M. Brattain has performed the duties of a capable physician and surgeon in the community of Antwerp in Paulding County. He is one of the most highly esteemed citizens in that section of Ohio.

Doctor Brattain was born in Logan County, Ohio, October 7, 1863, son of Ralph L. and Aurelia (Hubbard) Brattain. His father was born in Logan County, in 1831, and his mother in Portage County, in 1840. She died in 1884. Her father was a Methodist minister. Ralph L. Brattain, who died in 1921, grew up on a farm, but for many years was in business as a merchant in Logan County. He was a democrat in politics. There were three children: G. E., deceased; W. B., a practicing attorney at Paulding, Ohio; and Dr. Giles M.

Dr. Giles M. Brattain was reared in the small town of Ridgeway, where he completed his public school course. As a youth he followed various lines of employment, earning his own way, and subsequently entered the Columbus Medical College, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1890. In the same year, shortly after his graduation, he chose the Town of Antwerp in Paulding County as the scene of his professional endeavor, and has earnestly and efficiently served that community ever since. He has kept his abilities and experience in line with advanced methods, and took special courses in surgery in the New York Polyclinic. He is local railway surgeon at Antwerp, and is a member of the American Medical Association.

June 30, 1901, Doctor Brattain married Bertie A. Frank, who was born at Fraziersburg, Ohio, and is a graduate of the high school at Columbus. Doctor and Mrs. Brattain have had two children. The daughter, Elizabeth A., who graduated from the Antwerp High School, was the wife of Charles Kigar, of Fort Wayne, Indiana. She died at the home of her parents May 7, 1924. The son, Ralph O., is now located at Salt Lake City, a salesman for the Wayne Oil Tank and Pump Company. He married Gretta Taylor, of Moberly, Missouri. Doctor Brattain has five children. Doctor Brattain served one term as coroner of Paulding County. He is a democrat, and is affiliated with Antwerp Lodge No. 335, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

EMMONS R. BOOTH, of Cincinnati, is perhaps the best known osteopathic physician in the Middle West. His career has been one of notable distinction in two fields, school work and osteopathy, and he was among the early graduates of the original school of osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri.

Doctor Booth was born in Franklin County, Indiana, March 4, 1851, son of Ebenezer and Margaret (Sering) Booth. His father was a contractor and builder, and died in 1857, while the mother reached the age of seventy-five. Emmons R. Booth was six years of age when his father died. Most of his early education he acquired through his own efforts. He attended public schools in Indiana, a college at Hartsville, Indiana, and in 1874 graduated from the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. He received the degree Doctor of Philosophy from Wooster University. For a quarter of a century his time was almost fully engaged in school work. He was principal of the high school at Sedalia, Missouri, until 1879, was superintendent of schools at Kirkwood, Missouri, until 1884, and then became a teacher in the Manual Training School of Washington University, at St. Louis, remaining there until 1888. Coming to Cincinnati, he was for ten years principal of the Technical School of Cincinnati.

In June, 1900, he graduated from the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri. Doctor Booth has been associated with three important educational movements: With the eminent Prof. Alfred

Holbrook, president of the National Normal University, who established the pioneer all year school in America, a policy since adopted by nearly every university in the United States; second, was one of the first to advocate and teach manual training, a department of education now found in every first grade high school in the country; and third, his association with Dr. A. T. Still, founder of osteopathy. Doctor Booth is author of the History of Osteopathy, the first edition of which was published in 1904, followed by a second edition, and then by the Memorial Edition in 1924, a beautiful volume of about eight hundred pages. He has also contributed many articles to educational and osteopathic publications.

Doctor Booth while in school work was president of the Missouri State Teachers' Association, was president of the Southwestern Ohio Teachers' Association, and president of the Industrial and Manual Training Section of the National Educational Association. He served as president of the American Osteopathic Association in 1901-02, and in addition is a member and former president and secretary of the Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Cincinnati, has been president of the Ohio State Osteopathic Society, and for fifteen years was on the osteopathic examining committee of the medical board in the State of Ohio. Doctor Booth is a Master Mason, a member of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club, the School Masters' Club, and several civic organizations. He is an elder in the Pleasant Ridge Presbyterian Church, which was organized October 16, 1790, two of his grandparents being among the eight original members. For many years Doctor Booth has been official historian for this church.

Doctor Booth's first wife was Clara V. Van Fleet, who died in 1879. The two children by this marriage were: Mary, the deceased wife of Robert C. McConaughy, of Cincinnati; and Clarence, who died in infancy. The three children born to Mr. and Mrs. McConaughy were: Francis B., a Cincinnati attorney; Mary Alice, a student in the Osteopathic College at Los Angeles; and Robert C., attending the Walnut Hill High School. In 1883, Doctor Booth married Miss Mary A. Mermod, of St. Louis, daughter of Augustus S. Mermod, who was a member of the noted jewelry house of Mermod, Jaccard and King of St. Louis, one of the oldest and most noted institutions of the kind in the Middle West. Mrs. Booth was educated in Lindenwood College at St. Charles, Missouri. She died in 1916. Doctor Booth's only son is Robert M. Booth, an electrical engineer at Cincinnati. This son married Miss Rose Sherwood, of Cincinnati, granddaughter of the late Colonel Finch. The two children of their marriage are Robert M., Jr., born in 1912, and Rose Mary, born in 1916.

Charles R. Morris, D. D. S. Exceptional technical skill in all departments and phases of his chosen vocation admirably fortify Doctor Morris for the successful practice of his profession, and in addition to this he has an office with the most modern of equipment and facilities, so that, with his personal popularity, he has naturally developed a large and representative practice in the City of Steubenville and gained rank as one of the leading dental practitioners of Jefferson County.

Doctor Morris was born at Lore City, Guernsey County, Ohio, December 11, 1885, and is the only child of Albert and Belle (Clark) Morris, the former of whom died about the year 1899 and the latter is still living, she being a daughter of the late Robert Clark, and of lineage tracing back to staunch Irish origin. Albert Morris passed his entire life in Ohio, and was a son of James Morris. The first Ohio representatives of the Morris family came to this state from Virginia. Albert Morris was for many years engaged in the mercantile business at Lore City, was one of the honored and influential citizens of Guernsey County, and while he never consented to become a candidate for political office, he was an active worker in behalf of the cause of the republican party, and served for some time as a member of its State Central Committee in Ohio. He was a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war, and while in service was incapacitated by a severe attack of typhoid fever, the effects of which confined him to a hospital for more than a year. He ever retained a deep interest in his old comrades and signified this in his appreciative affiliations with the Grand Army of the Republic. He was an earnest member of the Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow.

Doctor Morris supplemented the discipline of the public schools of his native village by attending the high school at Caldwell, Noble County, in which he was graduated in 1904. During the ensuing period of about three years he was employed in a drug store at Caldwell, and he then initiated the study of dentistry, his preparation for his chosen profession having culminated in his graduation in a leading dental college of Ohio in the year 1910. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery he was engaged in practice at Scio, Harrison County, from 1910 to 1921, since which latter year he has been established in practice at Steubenville, where he has developed a fine practice whose scope and importance indicate popular appreciation of his distinctive professional ability. The doctor is a member of the Ohio Dental Association, is a stalwart in the camp of the republican party, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, including the local Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, of which his wife likewise is a member, and in the Knights of Pythias his affiliation is extended also to the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan. Both he and his wife hold membership in the Presbyterian Church.

At Caldwell, Noble County, on the 7th of October, 1909, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Morris and Miss Clara Acomb, daughter of Rev. William S. and Margaret (Hamilton) Acomb, her father being a clergyman of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Morris is the third in a family of six children, and the others are Ida, Howard, Elizabeth, James and Bradford. Of the brothers and sisters of Mrs. Morris the only other who is married at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924, is Bradford, who wedded Edna Quick, their children being one son and one daughter. Doctor and Mrs. Morris have two children, Margaret I. and William A., and the daughter is now a student in the Steubenville High School.

E. W. Hoffman. One of the oldest business enterprises of Defiance is the furniture and undertaking establishments that has been conducted by members of the Hoffman family through two generations. The active head of the business today is E. W. Hoffman. He is a son of the late William G. Hoffman.

William G. Hoffman was born in Wurttemberg, Germany, February 15, 1830, and was educated in the schools in his native country. He came to the United States in 1854, having learned the cabinet making trade after a thorough apprenticeship in Germany. On December 1, 1856, at Edgerton, Ohio, he married Catherine Koerner. She was born in Marbach, Germany, October 4, 1826, and came to the United States in 1841. For a short time she was in New York City, then at Adrian, Michigan, where she first met William G. Hoffman, and they were married at the residence of her brother. In 1859 William G. Hoffman moved to Defiance, locating at his home on Perry Street, where they remained until

their death. In Defiance William G. Hoffman engaged in the furniture business, and for twenty-five years he was associated in partnership with Christian Geiger. When this partnership was dissolved Mr. Geiger took the wholesale department and Mr. Hoffman the retail furniture store. During his later years he associated with him his sons. He was one of the upright and honest business men of the community. He was a very active worker in the German Methodist Church, and in politics a republican. There were the following children in the family: Catherine, wife of Henry Serther, of Defiance; Bertha, wife of William Martin, of Defiance; Charles C., connected with the Defiance Machine Works, who married Alice Ketterring, of Defiance; E. W.; and Miss Gertrude, who lives with her brother E. W. Hoffman, who occupy the old home in Defiance.

E. W. Hoffman was born in Defiance, September 4, 1866. He has spent all his life in the home where he was born. He is a graduate of the public schools, and at the age of sixteen he began work in his father's furniture store. Since then he has been given a license as an embalmer, and he was a partner in the firm before his father's death.

Mr. Hoffman took all the degrees in Scottish Rite Masonry, including the thirty-second, before he was twenty-two years of age, and at one time was the youngest Scottish Rite Mason in Ohio. He is also a York Rite Mason, and a member of the Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is a republican. Mr. Hoffman devotes much of his time to the management and supervision of one of the finest farms in Defiance County, a 240 acre place near the county seat. He has a herd of fine cattle, and has made this country estate a model stock farm.

Carl Hamilton Smith, who for twelve years has been judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Jefferson County, began the practice of law at Steubenville in 1903 and has therefore given more than half of his professional career to the responsibilities of the bench.

Judge Smith was born at East Liverpool, Ohio, July 28, 1875, son of John and Margaret (Berry) Smith and grandson of Robert and Fannie (Vance) Smith. His grandfather on his mother's side was John Berry, whose father, a native of Ireland, came to the United States and settled in Washington County, Pennsylvania, about 1770. For many years he held the office of justice of peace and when George Washington appeared before him in a land ejectment suit, the justice finding the evidence such that he ruled against the great patriot and father of his country. Judge Smith had some ancestors who were in the War of the Revolution, and they have been substantial and worthy people both in Pennsylvania and during their residence in Ohio. His father, John Smith, who died in 1914, was a farmer, and was very active in church matters, being an elder in the United Presbyterian denomination. Judge Smith's mother, Margaret Berry, died in 1918. The children of the family were: Robert P., who married Rose Young and had two children, Margaret and Sarah; Nina, who died in infancy; John B., who died in 1896; Herbert V., who married Clara Morehead, their children being Vance and Robert; Nellie G., who died in 1922; and Carl Hamilton.

Carl Hamilton Smith acquired much of his early education in district schools, attended high school at Empire in Jefferson County for two years, and took his college work in Westminster College at New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1900. His law studies were begun under Hon. E. E. Erskine of Steubenville, and later he entered the law department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, graduating in 1903. In that same year he established his law office at Steubenville, and was a member of the law firm Erskine & Smith until he went on the bench.

In that fall of 1912 he was elected for his first term of six years as judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and in 1918 was reelected. He has proved himself at all times a just and upright judge, clean minded and considerate in all his decisions, and where his jurisdiction under the law is definite has been thoroughly courageous and straightforward in his applications of the law. With admirable promptness he has handled a number of cases of law violation in the county. During the World war he acted as treasurer of the Jefferson County War Board, which had charge of all auxiliary war matters.

Judge Smith married January 9, 1907, at Elyria, Ohio, Miss Bessie M. Crowther, who died August 29, 1909. Her father, Edgar C. Crowther, who died February 1, 1924, was in the steel business, was a member of the Masonic Order and the Baptist Church. Mrs. Smith was next to the youngest in a family of four children. Her two brothers are Charles E. and Joseph, both married. Her sister is Mrs. P. H. Mcquillet. Judge Smith has a daughter, Bessie, now in Birmingham School, Birmingham, Pennsylvania. The family are members of the United Presbyterian Church. Judge Smith is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, is a member of the Elks and Knights of Pythias, belongs to the Rotary Club, the Country Club, and the Ohio State, County and American Bar associations.

Daniel P. Coll has been actively identified with a varied business program in Jackson for over a third of a century representing one of the old and honored families of Jackson County. He is an ice manufacturer, owning and operating the Jackson Ice & Fuel Company.

Mr. Coll was born in Jackson County, July 31, 1867, son of Patrick and Susan (Carr) Coll. Patrick Coll, a native of Ireland, at the age of eighteen came to the United States with his five brothers and one sister. He was the only one to come to Ohio, the others remaining in the vicinity of Philadelphia. Patrick Coll was a well known resident of Jackson County and for some years was in the grocery business. He died in 1884 at the age of fifty-nine while his wife Susan (Carr) Coll died in 1915, aged eighty-four. The oldest of their children, Anna, married Daniel Crossin and died June 1, 1923, at the age of sixty-eight; she had a large family of ten children whose names are: Henry, William, Hugh, Daniel, John, Mamie, Margaret, Susan, Sadie and Helen. The son, Steven Coll, married Anna Farley and of their five children three are living, Patrick, James and Anna. Mary Coll became the wife of William Fogarty and she died November 12, 1923, aged sixty-one; of her seven children, four are living, William, Howard, Susie and Marie.

Daniel P. Coll, youngest child of his parents, was educated in the Jackson public schools. At the age of seventeen he began working in a flour mill, remaining there about three years and since then has followed a varied program of business activities. It was in 1911 that he bought a modern artificial ice plant, now operated as the Jackson Ice & Fuel Company, with a service supplying a large part of the ice used in Jackson and surrounding towns. Mr. Coll in 1906 engaged in the automobile supply business, being one of the pioneers in that line in Southern Ohio. This business he continued until 1917 when he sold it to his son, Dan, Jr., who still continues it.

Mr. Coll's first wife was Eliza Basquill, daughter of Nicholas and Elizabeth Basquill. She was born April 9, 1869, and died December 23, 1901, aged thirty-two. In 1904 Mr. Coll married Mary Karrigan, daughter of Patrick and Mary Karrigan of Portsmouth. Mr. Coll's children by his first marriage were: Daniel P., Jr., Grace, Leo and Elizabeth. The son Leo married Louisa Hess and has a daughter, Marie Francis. Grace Coll married George G. Thomas. Daniel P. Coll, Jr., who married Anna Maude Jones, was with the aviation corps during the World war, being in training at Selfridge field at Mount Clemens, Michigan. The three children by Mr. Coll's second marriage are: Mary, Margaret and Maurice Coll. The family are members of the Catholic Church. Mr. Coll is a Knight of Columbus and Elk and his son Daniel and Leo belong to the same fraternities. He is also affiliated with the United Commercial Travelers.

Howard Litt is proprietor of funeral parlors and private ambulance service at Dayton and is an ex-service man, prominently identified with American Legion work.

He was born at Dayton in 1892, son of G. O. and Mary C. (Howard) Litt. As a boy he attended the grammar and high schools of his native city, continued his education in Miami Business College at Dayton, and subsequently attended the University of Wisconsin. His experience in the undertaking profession began in 1909 at Dayton. While at the University of Wisconsin he worked evenings and nights for local undertakers. He graduated in 1915 from Worshams College of Embalming at Chicago, and is a licensed embalmer under the laws of Wisconsin and Ohio.

In addition to his facilities and equipment as a funeral director, Mr. Litt operates the only exclusive ambulance service in Dayton. He has a car constructed and equipped as a result of his individual experience and observation. His two years' army services provided him with ample observations of ambulance facilities, and he also visited all of the leading cities, Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Pittsburgh and others to study the ambulance service. His ambulance is used exclusively to convey patients from home to hospital, or from hospitals to homes, and not in emergency cases. His hobby is quick and dependable service, absolute comfort, and all patients carried by his ambulance are fully insured against accidents. His motto is "One Minute May Save a Human Life." Mr. Litt in 1917 enlisted and while overseas in France was in charge of the death record corps, being stationed at many points in the war trouble area. He received his honorable discharge in 1919 and then returned to Dayton and resumed his undertaking business, subsequently adding this special ambulance.

Mr. Litt is unmarried. He is a Catholic. Is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in the American Legion has exerted his influence to secure from the government better care for the bodies of ex-service men who died in soldiers' homes and hospitals.

Harry Eaton is proprietor of the Peoples Real Estate & Insurance Company at Middleton and in this has perfected an organization for expert service in the handling of town and country real estate and general insurance.

Mr. Eaton was born March 12, 1899, at Franklin, Ohio, son of Charles and Alflata Eaton, of Franklin, where his mother is still living. His father was well known in real estate circles in the Miami Valley and died in 1919.

Harry Eaton attended the high school at Franklin and after completing his education became junior member in the partnership of Eaton & Eaton, with a real estate office at Middletown. His father was the senior member of the firm. This business was continued under the original title until 1923 when it was succeeded by the Peoples Real Estate Company. The company does a general brokerage business in farm and city property and represents a large number of the leading old line fire insurance companies.

Mr. Eaton is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Knights of Pythias, served for four years as a trustee of the Middletown Real Estate Board and as a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and National Real Estate associations. He is an active Methodist and at Franklin was a teacher in the Sunday School, assistant Sunday School superintendent, and had general charge of the social activities of the Sunday School of the Methodist Church. Mr. Eaton, who is unmarried, was a volunteer at the time of the World war for service in the navy but the armistice was signed before he was called. He is a member of the Fish and Game Protective Association of Middletown.

Edmond H. Moore. One of Ohio's prominent lawyers and distinguished public men is Edmond H. Moore, of Cleveland, who is a native of the state and a descendant of one of the pioneer families of the Western Reserve. His grandfather, William Moore, came to Ohio from Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, in 1810 and settled at Milton in Mahoning County, where Alexander F., his son, and father of Edmond H., was born and reared.

Alexander F. Moore read law in Canfield, the first county seat of Mahoning County, and for many years practiced his profession at Canfield, Ottawa and Youngstown. As an able lawyer and brilliant orator he ranked among the prominent members of the Ohio bar of his time. He was a leading democrat of his community, and his party honored him with election as mayor of Canfield. He married Elizabeth Van Dalsen, who bore him two children.

Edmond H. Moore was born in Milton, Mahoning County, on October 16, 1862. He was graduated from Rayen High School, Youngstown, in 1879, taught school for a number of years, during which time he also studied law in his father's office, and was admitted to the bar in 1884. He engaged in the practice of his profession at Youngstown in 1891, later became senior member of the law firm of Moore, Barnum & Hammond of that city, and so continued until 1922, in which year he moved to Cleveland, and at the present time is senior member of the strong law firm of Moore, Mahon, Miller & Moore, with offices in the Union Trust Building.

While Mr. Moore has won state-wide distinction in his profession, it has been in the domain of political affairs that he has gained nation-wide prominence. He was elected on the democratic ticket mayor of Youngstown in 1896 and reelected in 1898. He was appointed state superintendent of insurance of Ohio in May, 1911, and served with credit alike to the state and himself until he resigned in February, 1914, to return to his profession. In 1912 he became a member of the Democratic National Committee from Ohio, and continued a member of that organization until 1920, when he resigned in order that he might devote all of his time to his profession. However, in 1924, he accepted reelection as a member of the Democratic National Committee.

In November, 1890, Mr. Moore was united in marriage with Emma McKinney, of Petersburg, Ohio, who died in 1903, leaving two sons, Harold T. and Mark E., both of whom saw overseas military duty during the World war, the older son as a lieutenant of Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ma-

chine Gun Battalion, U. S. A., in the Argonne Forest, France, and in Belgium, the younger son as a sergeant in the Sixtieth Heavy Coast Artillery, U. S. A., in the campaigns of Saint Mihiel and the Argonne Forest, France, and both are engaged in the practice of law, associated with their father.

On November 9, 1905, Mr. Moore married Martha Reznor, who died on August 26, 1918, without issue.

HOMER EDSON is president of the Edson and Wise Company, real estate, at Middletown. This is one of the most complete business service organizations for real estate in Southern Ohio. The company has all the facilities of capital, experience and technical skill for home-building operations and they also do a general brokerage business, buying and selling securities, making loans, conduct a general insurance agency, including fire, life and accident, and in the various departments of the business can be transacted or obtained every service needed by the real estate owner. The company has about fifty employes.

Homer Edson of this company was born in 1892, son of Charles E. and Estella (Runyan) Edson, of Middletown. His father for many years was a prominent real estate dealer. Homer Edson was educated in the Middletown High School, and has taken special training in real estate and mortgage loan work. He is a veteran of the World war, having entered service at the time America joined in the struggle with the central powers. He was appointed to the rank of major and assigned to Red Cross work at Camp Devons, Massachusetts. He remained as field director there until the close of the war. Mr. Edson has the honor of having been elected a school director of Middletown, November 6, 1923, by the largest vote ever cast for a school director.

He is a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, is president of the Middletown Boy Scouts, and a member of the Middletown Civic Association, the First Presbyterian Church, and is teacher of the Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church. He is a member of the executive committee of both the County and State Sunday School associations, and has lectured in many counties of the state on Sunday school work.

On August 13, 1917, Mr. Edson married Miss Ruth Kline, of Denton, Texas. She finished her education in the Texas College of Industrial Arts at Denton. They have one child, Bettie Edson, born in 1918.

GEORGE M. GRAY. One of the able business men of Coshocton, who has been a leader in the hardware line in this city for more than thirty years, is George M. Gray, president of the Gray Hardware Company, and secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Ohio Hardware Mutual Insurance Company, which he was instrumental in founding, and also president of the National Retail Hardware Association representing more than 22,000 hardware men in America.

Mr. Gray was born in Greene County, Pennsylvania, eldest son of Thomas D. and Margaret (Venatti) Gray, the latter of whom survives and resides at West Lafayette, Ohio. His father, who is now deceased, was a small farmer and later was a soldier in the Union army in the Civil war. The small family income during Mr. Gray's boyhood, made it necessary that he should add to it by his efforts, and thus his school privileges were limited before he was far advanced in his studies. When fourteen years of age he left home to support himself, and through his industry and thrift as a farm hand for a few seasons, was able not only to substantially remember the little home group, but to go to Pittsburgh and secure a clerkship in a bookstore and, what he valued very highly, an opportunity to attend night school.

From Pittsburgh, Mr. Gray went to Clayville, Pennsylvania, where he became a clerk in a hardware store, and afterward, in connection with others, bought the store, where he continued for a time, in the meanwhile acquiring a valuable amount of business experience. He had long cherished a desire to come to Ohio, and later took advantage of the opportunity to sell his business interest at Clayville, coming then to Zanesville, where he conducted a hardware business of his own for one year. In 1890, impelled by a sound business sense that has never led him astray, he removed his business interests to Coshocton, where in the succeeding years, he has built up name and fame for a large enterprise. As president of the Gray Hardware Company, he has many special interests and owns two thoroughly stocked stores, one at Coshocton and the other at West Lafayette. In addition to his successful career as a hardware merchant, he has been, for years, prominently identified with the Ohio Hardware Mutual Insurance Company, which came about through his organization, on October 9, 1902, and which has been developed into one of the large financial bodies of the insurance world. This company as designed at first, merely carried insurance risks on hardware merchandise, kindred lines and dwellings, but has been extended to other high class merchandise in preferred risks, as to fire, tornado, use of occupancy, automobiles and theft. It is a mutual company and now carries insured risks that amount to $30,000,000 Coshocton is the home of the company but it is doing business all over the United States, with branch offices in many cities. Mr. Gray as secretary, treasurer and general manager, maintains his offices in the fine residence that formerly was his home in that desirable section of the city.

In 1899, Mr. Gray was married in Pennsylvania, to Miss Adelle Douglas Gourley, and they have three children: Mary G., Gourley G. and Margaret. The family belongs to the Presbyterian Church, in which Mr. Gray is a ruling elder. In political life he has always been a republican, and is now serving as chairman of the Coshocton County Republican Executive Committee. He is an uncompromising advocate of national prohibition, and is ever ready to lend his influence in support of law and order and for the benefit of the country at large.

In the hardware trade the country over, Mr. Gray's name is held in high regard, an honorable, trustworthy representative of the organization. He served as secretary of the Ohio State Hardware Association, and at present is president of the National Retail Hardware Association, by virtue of which office he is a member of the Hardware Retailers' National Council. He enjoys such recreations as golf and horseback riding, and takes no small degree of pleasure in his herd of thoroughbred Jersey cattle.

WILLIAM H. HOUGHTON. One of the outstanding features of the industrial life of Marion is the large plant of the Houghton Sulky Company, of which William H. Houghton is president. This company produces the original Faber Sulky, famous the world over for being the lightest, strongest and safest constructed sulky known to the science of engineering. The company was founded in 1904, and from its inception has been prosperous, much of its present condition being due to the energy, efficiency and foresight of its president, who had always controlled its policies.

William H. Houghton was born in Wayne County, Ohio, November 19, 1864. The common schools educated him, and he worked at the carpenter trade until 1884, but in that year went into the lumber business at Dalton, Ohio, transferring these interests in 1890 to Harriman, Tennessee. In 1892 he returned

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to Dalton and embarked in the manufacture of carriages and circus wagons, in which he was achieving a name for reliability when his business was wiped out by a disastrous fire in 1895, and he then began his connection with Marion. For a year he was superintendent of the National Wagon Company, and then founded the Houghton Buggy Company. In 1897 he formed a copartnership with the late T. J. McMurray, that became in 1901 the Houghton-Merkel Company. The business was further developed in 1904, becoming then the Houghton Sulky Company, and this concern bought the business, patterns, forms, patents and good will of the Faber Sulky Company of Rochester, New York, who originated, patented and made the Faber Sulky. In 1914 the business was capitalized at $100,000. The original location of the plant was on Lincoln Avenue, in the building now occupied by the Murdock Dishwashing Company, but sometime later the company bought the building on the west side of North State Street between Mill Street and the Erie Railroad, and this is the present home of the concern.

Almost immediately shipments were made abroad, and until the outbreak of the World war this branch of the business assumed large proportions. With the entry of this country into the war production dropped off, as the majority of the skilled workmen were detailed by the Government for work on aeroplane production. With the return to normalcy, however, the business has made rapid strides forward, especially in its exporting trade. Shipments are now being made to Canada, Austria, England, Australia, Germany, France, New Zealand, Scotland, Russia, Mexico, Wales, Denmark, Ireland, Italy, Holland, Norway, Chili, Vladivostok, Argentina, and through forwarding agents in New York to other foreign points. A large force of skilled workmen are employed in the Marion plant. Associated with President Houghton in this company are: Hoke Donithen, vice president; Frank Foster, secretary, and M. C. Cheney. These officials with O. I. Clevenger, F. W. Warner and H. T. Myers form the Board of Directors.

Some of the famous drivers using Houghton-Faber sulkies, most of them to the exclusion of any other make, are: Geers, McDonald, Edman, Murphy, Egan, Cox, Ray, Palin, Valentine, Pitman, Hyde, Leese, Erskine, McMahon, Perry, Childs, Stokes, Fleming, Brusie, Morrison, Thomas, McDevitt, Johnson, Rodney, Post, Miller, Whitehead, Dickerson, Loomis, Hedrick, McKay, Lacey, Mallow, Crozier, Erwin, Fleming, Myers, Gray, McCarr, Martin, White, Snow, McGrath, Hodson, Perry, Taylor, Cowdery, Dean, Murray, Sunderlin, Hayes, Nickerson and Pottle, nearly all of whom have been tutored by Mr. Houghton. In addition to the sulkies the Houghton Sulky Company manufactures auto bodies, phonograph and radio console bodies. For several years Mr. Houghton was president of the Marion Savings Bank, but his duties in connection with the company he founded have become too onerous for him to devote much attention to any other line, so he resigned his financial responsibilities.

On November 29, 1889, Mr. Houghton married Miss Clara I. Schultz, of Dalton, Ohio. Mrs. Houghton is a daughter of Martin Schultz, of Dalton. Mr. and Mrs. Houghton have three children, namely: Ellis M., who married Harriet Snyder, of Wooster, Ohio, has two children, and is a realtor of Cleveland, Ohio; Helen, who is the wife of Frank Foster, sales manager and secretary of the Houghton Sulky Company; and Dorothy, who is at home. Mr. Houghton is a republican. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and to the Marion Club. The Presbyterian Church holds his membership. A man of unusual business ability, he has forged ahead and, in spite of some reverses, succeeded beyond the ordinary run and added to the prestige of his city in bringing it to the attention of the world through the superiority of the products of his plant.

Col. Edward Strode Thacher, Jr. An old and prominent name in Ohio is Thacher, dating back to early Ohio history, but dating much farther back in American history. It has been notable in both professional and military life, and a military man of the present day who worthily bears it is Col. Edward Strode Thacher, Jr., of Columbus, colonel of the Ohio National Guard Artillery, who served overseas with marked distinction during the World war. Colonel Thacher was born at Columbus, Ohio, in 1887, a son of Edward Strode and Margaret (McGinnis) Thacher.

The Thacher and Strode families belonged originally to England, and early family records disclose that one of the eminent jurists who imposed the death sentence on King Charles the First was Sir Edward Strode, of this family connection. Apparently the first to bear the Thacher name in American history was Rev. Anthony Thacher, a clergyman of the Episcopal Church, who came from Great Britain to New England in 1635, spent his life there and left descendants, many of whom became distinguished in the colonial troubles, the Revolutionary war, the War of 1812, and in the Mexican and Civil wars, without present mention being made of the World war.

In 1830, the great-grandfather of Colonel Thacher, Dr. N. W. Thacher, moved from New London, Connecticut, to Ohio and established himself in the practice of medicine in the capital city, Chillicothe. He married Nancy Bedinger Van Swearingen, a daughter of Col. James Van Swearingen, a United States military officer who drew the plans for and built Fort Dearborn, now Chicago, long a landmark of Western civilization on the shores of Lake Michigan. The maternal grandfather of Colonel Thacher was an infantry officer in the Union Army throughout the Civil war.

Colonel Thacher was seventeen years old when, after successfully passing the required educational, moral and physical tests, he received his appointment to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, spent two years of rigid military discipline there and then resigned in order to enter the United States Army. He did not enter the army at that time, but later joined the Ohio National Guard, enlisting in this organization as a private in Cavalry Troop B, of which he subsequently became captain, through well merited promotion. He went to the Mexican border with this state body in 1916, when he was transferred to the Seventeenth Cavalry, United States Regular Army, and with this regiment served as second lieutenant of Troop H during the border service.

When the United States became involved in the World war Colonel Thacher assisted in organizing the Third Ohio Field Artillery, later designated as the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Field Artillery, with which he was prominently identified through a perilous period. He was commissioned major of this organization, and trained it at Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and prior to leaving his own country, attended and was graduated from the Officers Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. In May, 1918, Colonel Thacher went overseas as major of the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Field Artillery, which had been made a part of the Thirty-seventh Division, and took part in the great offensives of the summer and fall of 1918. Following the signing of the armistice with Germany he was transferred to the Ninetieth Division, Three Hundred and Forty-fifth Field Artillery, and went with that command to the Rhine, as a part of the Army of

Occupation. He acted also as assistant military commander of Trier, Germany. In the summer of 1919 Colonel Thacher returned home and was honorably discharged, soon thereafter being made lieutenant-colonel and, later, colonel in the Ohio National Guard Artillery, and has the same rank in the United States Army Officers Reserve Corps.

Since returning from France Colonel Thacher has been active in several engineering projects of importance, and at the present time fills a position as engineer for the Ohio State Auditor's Department. He has always maintained his home in his native city, and resides at 26 Auburn Avenue, Columbus.

Colonel Thacher married Virginia Dent Van Swearingen, of Circleville, Ohio.

Colonel and Mrs. Thacher have a family of three daughters and two sons: Virginia, Edward Strode, III, Ann, John and Margaret. The family belongs to the Episcopal Church.

E. O. Fairchild, superintendent of the public schools of Deshler, has been identified with the local schools there for fifteen years, and both here and elsewhere has earned a splendid record of a high minded educator and leader in educational affairs.

Mr. Fairchild was born at Findlay, Ohio, June 30, 1878, son of E. L and Deborah (Mayer) Fairchild. His father was born in Fairfield County, in 1840, and his mother in Berks County, Pennsylvania, in 1845. She is now living at Deshler. E. L. Fairchild was reared on a farm, had a public school education, and for a time in early youth worked on a canal boat and also did farm labor. He married in Hancock County, Ohio, where his wife had taught public schools. In May, 1880, they moved to Henry County and settled on a farm near Deshler, where he spent the rest of his active life. This farm is still owned by his descendants. The mother is an active member of the United Brethren Church. E. L. Fairchild was a democrat, but in later years supported the republican ticket. There were two children, Ola and E. O. Ola is a teacher in the Deshler public schools.

E. O. Fairchild while a boy on the farm attended the public schools of Deshler, graduating from high school, and began his teaching career in rural districts. He continued his education in the Tri-State Normal College at Angola, Indiana, and is a Bachelor of Arts degree graduate of Defiance College, Ohio. He also attended for a time Ohio State University, and he keeps in touch with improved methods in school administration by membership in various educational organizations. Mr. Fairchild came to Deshler in 1908 as principal of the public schools, and on the death of the superintendent in 1915 he was elected to take charge of the entire system of this growing and prosperous town.

Mr. Fairchild married Miss Grace Hudson, of Bradford, Pennsylvania. Their two children are Evaline and Ernestine, both attending high school at Deshler. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church, Mr. Fairchild being an elder and superintendent of the Sunday school. He is affiliated with Sycamore Lodge No. 520, Free and Accepted Masons; Deshler Chapter No. 201, Royal Arch Masons; Putnam Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters; Findlay Commandery, Knights Templar; Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Toledo. He is a republican in politics, and from 1914 to 1920 served as a member of the County Board of School Examiners.

The Willis Family of Delaware County is one whose name has been prominently and worthily identified with the annals of American history from the early Colonial period, and the family has been established in Delaware County, Ohio, for ninety years.

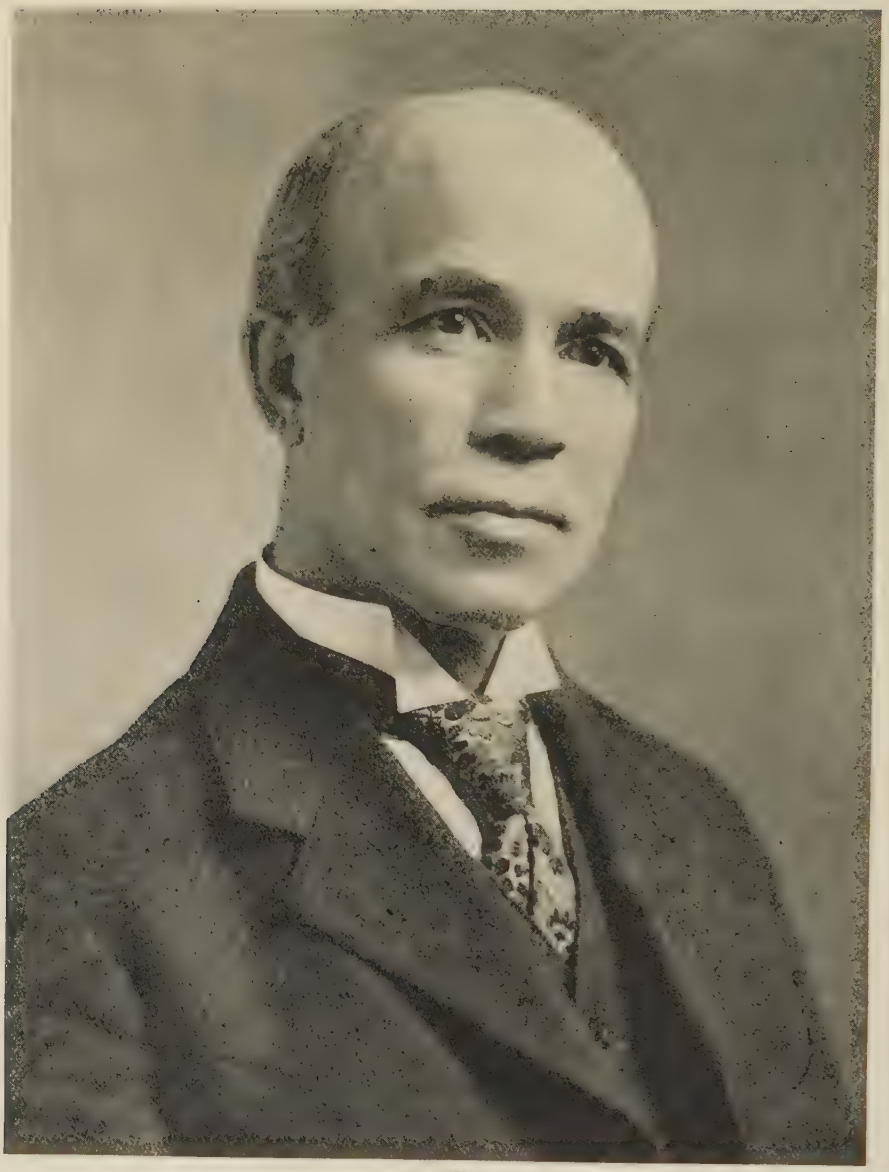
About four miles distant from historic Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts, was established the original home of the Willis family. The material for this ancient dwelling was brought, ready framed, from England, and arrived on the second or third vessel to arrive in this country after the original voyage of the "Mayflower." The house was erected at Kingston, Massachusetts, and was well supplied with furnishings brought likewise from England, records, as well as many family heirlooms, showing that both in England and Massachusetts the Willis family had been one of appreciable wealth and influence.

The original member of the Willis family to come to Ohio and settled in Delaware County was Buckley H. Willis, whose wife was Susan Bartlett, whose mother was born in the historic and storied old wayside inn at Sudbury, Massachusetts.

Buckley H. Willis was reared in the old Bay State; there his marriage occurred and thence, after living for a time in Vermont, in 1834, he came with his family to Ohio and settled in Delaware County. Mr. Willis was of a verile type of manhood, not afraid to face the hardships of pioneer life. He lived to attain the age of ninety-six years in Delaware County, most of the time as an active farmer, working vigorously on a farm himself until he was well past ninety years of age. He attained some measure of distinction in Concord Township, because, for a number of years, his was the only abolition vote cast in that township. When the republican party was organized he immediately identified himself with it, and was an influential factor in the organization of the new party in his home county.

Ten children were born to Buckley H. Willis and his wife. These in order were: Cornelia, who became Mrs. Cutler, of Columbus; Brainard, who resided on a farm near Belle Point, Delaware County, until his death at the age of ninety-two years in 1922; Jay B., father of Frank B., United State Senator, a farmer of Delaware County; Plynn, a physician residing near Ostrander, Delaware County; Emily, Henry, a farmer residing near Hyattsville; Rollin K. and Frank A., whose sketches appear hereafter; Elbridge R., who became a distinguished minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church and now resides in California; and John B., who was assistant editor of the Christian Science Monitor and now resides in Massachusetts. Of these sons four served in the armies of the Union throughout the War of the Rebellion; not one of them was ever compelled to enter a hospital as a patient at any time, a splendid tribute to the type of manhood of the family.

Rollin K. Willis, who now resides in Delaware, Ohio, was born on the old homestead farm in Delaware County, September 26, 1843, and there he was reared to adult age. At the age of eighteen years he went forth as a gallant young soldier of the Union in the Civil War, he having been a musician in the band of the Forty-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served until the close of the war. He has in his possession a piece of his regimental flag he aided in saving at Fort Donelson, where he and others of his command were captured, the flag of the regiment having by them been buried in the Confederate prison and having eventually been brought home with the regiment. Mr. Willis participated in many engagements and lived up to the full tension of the great conflict. In February, 1868, Rollin K. Willis wedded Alice Elizabeth, daughter of Miner P. and Orilla G. Tone, who came from New Hampshire and settled in Delaware County, Ohio, Mr. Tone having been one of the specially successful sheep growers of the county. Mr. and Mrs. Willis became the parents of four children. Roy, now deceased, married Pearl Crumb, and they have one child, Dorothy. Myrtle became the wife of James Morse, of Boston, and



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they had four children, Myrtle, Alice, Grace and Eunice. Mr. Morse is now deceased. Rolla married Ethel Bovey, and they have three sons, Wilbur, Paul and Vernon. Grace, youngest of the children, died in California. Mrs. Willis died some years ago, and later he married Miss Mayme Harter. Mr. and Mrs. Willis are active members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic.

Frank A. Willis was born on a pioneer farm in Delaware County, September 28, 1846. His youth was spent on this farm, in the work of which he assisted during the summer seasons, while he attended the winter terms of school until he was fourteen years old. In his native county he continued as a successful and prominent exponent of farm industry until 1913, since which year he has maintained his home at Delaware, the county seat. April 25, 1867, recorded his marriage to Mary E. Berlet, who likewise was born on a farm in Delaware County, and who is a daughter of Frederick and Margaret Berlet. Mr. and Mrs. Willis have one child, Nellie, who is the wife of Myron Champion, of Delaware. Mr. and Mrs. Willis are zealous members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is a stalwart republican in politics.

Jay B. Willis, the father of Senator Willis, was born at Dorset, Vermont, and remembered distinctly the trip made by his father and mother and their children over the Old Erie Canal to their new home in Ohio, where, on January 24, 1856, he married Lavina Buell. Shortly before the Civil war they journeyed by wagon to Western Iowa and Missouri, but after two years there, preferring Ohio, they returned to Delaware County and continued to reside there until their death. They reared three sons: Buell, a farmer of Lewis Center, Delaware County; Lloyd, a prominent real estate man of Chicago, Illinois; and Frank Bartlett, who was named after his uncle, Frank A., of whom specific mention has been made in this context. A daughter, Dottie, died in 1877, at the age of two years.

Frank Bartlett Willis, forty-fifth Governor of Ohio and present United States Senator, has through his character, achievement and service signally honored the family name. He spent his youth on the farm, attended and taught country school, attended the high school at Galena and then became a student at Ohio Northern University, Ada, Hardin County, Ohio.

It was in connection with his choice of Ohio Northern that he first evidenced that spirit of independence and ability to stand on his own feet, which has been the characteristic of his life. Refusing the proffered financial assistance of his parents, the future Governor made his own way through college, and at the same time earned an enviable record for scholarship. Following his graduation and a post-graduate course in law he became an instructor in the law department of his Alma Mater, where he taught for several years, not only becoming thoroughly familiar with the laws of the land, but also building up a large circle of friends among men who have been destined to play a considerable part in public affairs throughout the state. In 1906 he was admitted to the bar.

As a young man Mr. Willis became interested in politics, and in 1896 stumped the state for William McKinley. In 1899 he was nominated as the republican candidate for representative from Hardin County. The county was democratic, and its representative at the time in the Legislature belonged to that party. Mr. Willis rode from house to house on a bicycle, making a most thorough personal canvass of the country.

Mr. Willis played an important part in the Legislature, in which he served two terms. He attained distinction through his connection with the reform of tax measures in Ohio. The Willis Tax Law, compelling home and foreign corporations to pay a certain per cent on their capital stock into the treasury annually, is still one of the fundamental features of the taxation system of his state.

In 1910 Mr. Willis was elected to Congress from the Eighth Ohio District, which was composed of Champaign, Delaware, Hardin, Hancock, Logan and Union counties, defeating Thomas C. Mahon by a vote of 21,030 to 19,519. In 1912 he was one of the three Ohio republican Congressman returned to their seats, receiving a plurality of 1,414 over Hon. W. W. Durbin, of Kenton, although his district gave the democratic candidate for Governor a plurality of 4,967.

In Congress Mr. Willis quickly achieved distinction. He won a reputation for independence, great industry and ability to take care of himself in debate. He jumped from obscurity to national fame in a single day by a speech he made in the House of Representatives on the Arizona-New Mexico Statehood Bill. The Willis voice, one of his assets, quickly became known in the House. It is a big, booming voice, rich, rotund, with a touch of middle-western nasal twang creeping into it now and then. Apparently without effort its owner can fill almost any auditorium in which he speaks.

Throughout his Congressional career and representing a great wool producing district Mr. Willis always occupied a prominent part in the fight for the continuance of a protective tariff policy, and particularly of a tariff on wool.

As the son of a soldier he labored faithfully in the interest of the veterans of our wars. He was elected Governor of Ohio in 1914, serving two years. In 1920 he was elected to the United States Senate to succeed Senator Warren G. Harding, who on the same day was elected President of the United States. On the resignation of Senator Harding in January, 1921, Senator Willis, through appointment by Governor Davis, took his seat in the Senate a few weeks in advance of the date on which he began his elected term. His ability to see clearly into the heart of problems early won him membership on four important committees of the Senate—foreign relations, immigration, territories and insular possessions, and commerce. In 1924 he became chairman of the Committee on Territories.

Senator Willis has spoken in almost every historic spot in America. In 1916 he presented the name of Hon. Theodore E. Burton for President, and in 1920 the name of Hon. Warren G. Harding. In the estimate of many men the speech he made nominating Mr. Harding is the only one ever delivered to a Republican National Convention which actually helped the candidate in whose behalf it was made. His expression, "Say, boys and girls, let's nominate Harding," uttered spontaneously, caught the convention and aroused it to a pitch of enthusiasm not hitherto reached during the nominating speeches.

The Senator's wife was Allie Dustin, whose father and mother are prominent residents of Galena in Delaware County, Ohio. They were married July 19, 1894, and have one daughter, Helen. The family home is maintained in Delaware, Ohio.

CHARLES SEEMANN, SR., of the law firm of Seemann & Seemann of Canton, is one of the older members of the legal profession in Stark County, and has been continuously in practice for nearly forty years. His abilities have won him a succession of important clients and cases in both the civil and criminal courts.

He was born in Carroll County, Ohio, August 19, 1858, grew up as a farm boy, and had a country

school education. He was graduated from Heidelburg College of Tiffin, Ohio, with the class of 1884. His college course was earned through his work as a teacher. He began teaching school at the age of sixteen. In 1886 he graduated from the Cincinnati Law College, was admitted to the bar, and in the same year located at Canton. At that time the Canton bar contained some of the most brilliant legal luminaries in the state, but Mr. Seemann soon achieved recognition, and for many years he has had a practice coordinate with his ability to look after it.

He is a member of the Stark County Bar Association. In addition to his professional work he is president of the Canton Electric Cleanser Company and a director in the Canton Fertilizer Company. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias Lodge, and for several years was an elder in the First Reformed Church.

George T. Johnson. In one of the most southerly of Ohio counties, Clermont, George T. Johnson since his removal there in 1920 has built up a very prosperous business as a stockraiser and farmer, specializing in pure bred Jersey cattle. His herd has a reputation over a considerable area of the Ohio Valley, and he has exhibited his stock at many fairs and has many premiums to attest their splendid individual quality.

Mr. Johnson, whose home is near Bethel, was born September 21, 1872, at Richmond, Indiana, son of George and Amanda (Reisner) Johnson, now deceased. His father was also a cattle buyer and farmer. George T. Johnson attended public schools, and from early boyhood gave much of his time to the labors and duties of the farm, handling much of the home work while his father was absent in the cattle buying business.

On reaching his majority Mr. Johnson began buying cattle on his own account, and established himself in farming about ten miles from Richmond. In 1920, selling out his interests in Eastern Indiana, he came to Clermont County, Ohio, buying 150 acres along the Ohio River in Washington Township. He has operated his farm with profit, but his chief feature is his herd of pure bred Jersey cattle, about forty in number. He handled this herd primarily for the sale of its increase, but he also derived much money from the incidental dairy business.

Mr. Johnson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a Mason and a republican. He married in 1895 Miss Anna Waters, of Richmond, Indiana, daughter of John and Martha Waters. Her parents are now deceased. Her father was in the building business in different parts of Indiana. Mrs. Johnson was educated in public schools and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. They have two children: George T., Jr., an employe of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company, and Anne, wife of Sam P. Weiner, whose home is in Southern Kentucky.

Ralph J. Wilcox had gained a successful position as a practicing attorney at Akron before he was elected and entered upon his duties as county recorder of Summit County. Mr. Wilcox represents one of the old and prominent families of Ohio. He is of New England ancestry, and in New England the Wilcoxs were connected with the Robinsons and Websters and the Wilders. The father of Ralph J. Wilcox, the late Henry C. Wilcox, inherited the old document dated June 20, 1776, which commissioned Sadoce Wilcox as ensign of a Connecticut company in the War of the Revolution.

Dr. Jeremiah Wilcox, a son of this Revolutionary soldier, was a native of Connecticut, and in 1806 came to the Ohio Western Reserve, first living in Trumbull County and afterwards at Hudson, Ohio. Dr. Jeremiah Cullen Wilcox, son of Doctor Jeremiah, was born in Connecticut, December 6, 1796, and inherited from his father a farm that was part of the land granted to the elder Dr. Jeremiah Wilcox. This farm was in Richfield Township of Summit County. He lived at his home there until his death on January 26, 1873. He was a graduate of Jefferson College and studied medicine under his father, and for many years practiced in Trumbull and Summit counties and later became a merchant. On October 1, 1839, he married for his second wife Julia A. (Wilder) Pettee, who was born in New York, September 19, 1814, and was one of the best educated pioneer women in Ohio. She became teacher of French and mathematics in the Young Ladies' Seminary at Granville, Ohio.

Henry C. Wilcox, a son of Dr. Jeremiah C. and Julia A. (Wilder) Wilcox, was born in Richfield Township, Summit County, November 10, 1844. He grew up on the old homestead, and was successfully engaged in farming there for many years. About 1890 he moved to Akron, and was in the abstract business, building up one of the most complete sets of abstract records in Summit County. He died at Akron, February 7, 1920. He was a staunch republican, was a member of the Masonic Order, and served throughout the Civil war as a soldier in the Fourth New York Cavalry. Henry C. Wilcox married Mary Templeton, who lives at Akron, and was born in Northampton Township of Summit County, April 17, 1848. Of the seven children born to their marriage Ralph J. is the youngest. The oldest, Harry C., is a mechanical engineer living at West Allis, Wisconsin; Frances L., who died at Nantucket Island, Massachusetts, in 1918, married William B. Doyle, who is a professor in Amherst College at Amherst, Massachusetts; George C. is a potter of Akron; Millie married William Fletcher, a rubber worker at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; Arthur G. is a physician and surgeon at Solon Springs, Wisconsin; and Frank is employed in a large automobile factory at Toledo.

Ralph J. Wilcox, the county recorder at Akron, was born in that city March 21, 1889, and represents the fourth generation of his family in Ohio. He received his education in the public schools of Akron, graduating from high school in 1907. He then attended Buchtel College, now Akron University, and received the degree of Bachelor of Science from this institution in 1911. From there he entered the Baldwin Law School and was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1914. Mr. Wilcox has had ten years in which to achieve success in the law, business and public affairs. After his admission to the bar he began law practice, but spent much of his time in the abstract business. In September, 1921, he entered upon his duties as county recorder in the Plymouth County Courthouse at Akron. He was elected to this office on the republican ticket in November, 1920.

Mr. Wilcox was inducted into the United States service October 1, 1918, and was sent to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, being with the Eight Hundred and Seventeenth Aerial Squadron. He received his honorable discharge February 2, 1919. He is a member of Post No. 10 of the American Legion at Akron. Mr. Wilcox, who is married, is affiliated with the Orioles, the Sons of Veterans, Akron Aerie No. 554, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and Akron Lodge No. 64, Loyal Order of Moose.

Zerau L. Travis. Of the progressive concerns which have added to the prestige and improved the facilities of Steubenville, one of the most important is the Travis Transfer & Storage Company, of which the owner is Zerau L. Travis. Mr. Travis has made his own way in the world, having been identified with

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a number of the city's industries, and has just completed one of the finest office and storage buildings to be found within the limits of Steubenville.

Born in this city April 22, 1869, Mr. Travis is a son of Daniel A. and Sarah R. (Whitehead) Travis. His great-grandfather, Daniel Travis, was born July 6, 1787, in New Farin County, Pennsylvaina, and subsequently established his home in Washington County, Pennsylvania. He married Bettie Scott Pruit, whose father was a pensioner for service in the Revolutionary war. The Pruit family had been established in Maryland for generations. Bettie Scott Pruit was born in Maryland, June 14, 1792. Asa Travis, grandfather of Zerau L., was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, October 13, 1812, and was a pioneer of Steubenville. One of the historic landmarks of the city is the old Travis home, standing at 722 North Fourth Street, and occupied by a member of the family. Asa Travis married Melissa Ann Atkinson, who was born in Mount Pleasant, Ohio, May 25, 1811.

Daniel A. Travis was born in Steubenville, June 28, 1848, was a carpenter by trade and died in January, 1884. He was a faithful member of the Presbyterian Church, as is his widow, Rebecca (Whitehead) Travis, who was born in Steubenville seventy-seven years ago. They had the following children: Zerau L.; Lydia, who married Harry J. Stewart and has two children, Harry J. Jr., and Mae; Mary, who married Frank Galloway, and has an adopted child, John; Asa, who married Margaret Holliday and has two children, Mae and Grace; Daniel, Jr., who married Nellie Richards, and they have an adopted child; Clara, who married Arthur Moneygold and has eight children, Asa, William, Daniel, Clara, Mary Margaret, Harry, Arthur and Frank; and William, who is married and has three children.

Zerau L. Travis attended the public schools at Steubenville until reaching the age of fifteen years, at which time he secured employment in the old cut nail plant of the Jefferson Iron Works. There he remained for six years, or until such time as the development of the wire nail crowded the cut nail off the market. His next employment was with the Sumney Glass Works, where he remained for two years, going then to the Pierce Furniture Factory, which factory, it is interesting to note, in later years was converted into an office and storage building for the use of Mr. Travis. For five years he remained with this company as a lumber grader and inspector, and then took up work as a checkman in the freight department of the Pennsylvania Railroad, where he remained eleven years, during which time he engaged at times in a small transfer trade. Being confident that there was a future in this business at Steubenville, he purchased the baggage transfer business of Edward Gren and thus started on a career that has brought him success and position. He has built up one of the most extensive transfer and storage businesses to be found in a city of this size, and in the meantime has built up a reputation for integrity that has won general confidence and good will.

Mr. Travis is a Presbyterian in religion. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, Knight Templar and Shriner, and belongs to the Knights of Pythias and the Modern Woodmen. When the grand officers of the Knights of Pythias were traveling to Cincinnati to institute the first Knights of Pythias lodge in Ohio, the train on which they were traveling was held up by bridge construction work and accordingly made a stop at Steubenville. Thus it was that the officials, leaving the train, organized the first lodge at this place instead of Cincinnati. Mr. Travis belongs also to the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Steubenville Country Club. His hobbies are hunting and camping out.

At Steubenville Mr. Travis was united in marriage with Nellie Maxwell, daughter of Frank and Margaret Maxwell, and to this union there were born the following children: Frank, who is single; Samuel, also unmarried; Nancy, the widow of William Marten; Floyd, in the United States Navy, who was recently married; Dewey Bryan, who married Ruby Schaffer; and Alva, Arthur, Howard and Helen, who reside with their father. The mother of these children died April 20, 1912, and January 19, 1913, Mr. Travis married at Steubenville Miss Madeline Miller Attbater, daughter of Fred and Elizabeth Attbater, the former of whom died in 1887, while the latter survives. Mr. and Mrs. Attbater had the following children: Frederick, who married Elizabeth Teeman and has six children, Tilda, Lucy, Stella, Frederick Earl, Gertrude and Edward; Elizabeth, who married Edward Kreiling and has four children, Viola, Edward, Pearl and Irvin; Charles, who is deceased; Emma, who married Charles Eckert and has two children, Elmer and Grandor; Katherine and William, who are deceased; Louisa, who married Frank Lehman and has three children, Ethel, Elizabeth and Louise; Albert, deceased; Madeline, who is now Mrs. Travis; Edward, who married and has three children, Elizabeth, Louise and Edna; and Elsie, who married Max Flohr and has one child, Madeline.

J. Edward Good, of Akron, is a veteran in the hardware business, to which he has devoted forty years of his life. He is head of the Hardware & Supply Company of Akron, one of the leading wholesale and jobbing concerns in the state. The name Good has been conspicuous in Akron business and civic affairs for over eighty years.

His grandparents were John and Margaret (Richert) Good, natives of Alsace, France, John Good being a farmer and grain dealer and emigrant contractor. John T. Good, the Akron pioneer, was born at Strassburg, France, October 25, 1818, and in 1838 came to America by sailing vessel, traveling west from New York by river and canal to Buffalo, by the Great Lakes to Cleveland and Chicago, and reaching St. Louis, was deterred from going to New Orleans by yellow fever epidemic, then returning east to Buffalo and after about a year settling in Ohio. About 1840 he located at Akron, where for a time he clerked in the largest store in the town, owned by P. D. Hall, and then engaged in the grocery business on his own account. He built in 1845 and operated for ten years the first brewery in Summit County. He continued his interests as a grocery merchant until 1865. He went out to California in 1850, traveling across the plains, and had a brief experience in mining and for a time was in the grocery and provision business at Placerville. In 1865 he bought an oil refinery at Akron, establishing the firm of John T. Good & Son. They improved the capacity to 250 barrels per day, and this was one of the very first firms to export petroleum oil from America to Europe. John T. Good sold his interests in the oil refinery in 1872 and then lived retired until his death in 1883. He married in 1844 Barbara Yost, of Stark County, Ohio, who died in 1896. Their oldest child, Charles W., was a Union soldier during the Civil war with the Cleveland Greys and afterwards a prominent hardware merchant at Cleveland.

J. Edward Good was born at Akron, February 15, 1861, and was liberally educated, graduating from high school in 1879, and in 1884 received his Bachelor of Philosophy degree at Kenyon College. He was employed for several years at Cleveland with the hardware firm in which his brother was a partner, but in 1889, returning to Akron, assisted in organizing the Paige Brothers Company, hardware merchants,

becoming vice president and secretary. This business was reorganized in 1891 and incorporated as the Standard Hardware Company, with Mr. Good as president. In 1905 the Standard Hardware Company and the Morgan & Bunnell Company were consolidated, resulting in the Hardware & Supply Company, of which Mr. Good has since been president. This company handles mill supplies, automotive equipment, electrical supplies, plumber's supplies, builder's hardware, and does a large business all over this section of Ohio.

Mr. Good's success in business has been thorough going, but some of the energy and resourcefulness of the business man he has applied to the benefit of civic and social welfare. He was the first president of the Better Akron Federation, was the president of the Akron Boy Scouts Council and is now a member of the Reginal Executive Committee of the Fourth Region, Boy Scouts of America. He was president of the Akron Chamber of Commerce in 1912-13; is a past president of the Akron University Club and Alumni Association of Kenyon College, and is a member of the college fraternities Beta Theta Pi and Theta Nu Epsilon, having been prominent in these since leaving college. He is a member of the Portage Country Club, Akron City Club, University Club, Rotary Club and Masonic Club, and in Masonry is affiliated with the Knights Templar Commandery, thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Consistory and Tadmor Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College and is a former vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Akron. In speaking of his connection with educational affairs, it may be noted that Mr. Good was an earnest advocate of military discipline for boys in high school with retired army officers as instructors, and also favored a uniform dress for both boys and girls in high school.

All his life he has enjoyed games and wholesome sport of every kind and is convinced that competitive games, particularly those outdoors, are an invaluable source not only of good health, but of other qualities making for good citizenship. He himself has participated in various lines of sport, in later years becoming an enthusiastic golfer. The outstanding act of his public spirit in contributing something to the material welfare of the entire community, was strongly influenced by this interest in sports and recognition of the high value of outdoor recreation. In June, 1924, Mr. Good presented to the City of Akron a farm of 180 acres, which for many years has been owned by the Good family and which lies within the city limits and within a ten-minute street car ride from the center of the city. It was given to the city for a municipal golf course and for other recreational and educational purposes and is to be forever known as the "J. Edward Good Park." Beyond the guarantee that improvements and construction work to provide the objects should be carried out within a reasonable time, there were no conditions attaching to the gift and the appreciation of the community was well expressed in an editorial from the Akron Press, saying: "In addition to this $100,000 worth of land, Mr. Good offers the city a beauty spot, a place where the working man can get recreation, the youngster can play in safety, where the mother can take her children, and where all the city can get close to nature. Mr. Good's gift is an outstanding contribution to the city's welfare."

Mr. Good married in 1889 Miss Laura D. Zimmerman, of Pittsburgh. Her paternal grandfather, Philip Zimmerman, was a native of Switzerland and became a minister of the Gospel, while her maternal grandfather, Edward Dithridge, was born on the Isle of Wight, England, and coming to America located at Pittsburgh, where he made the first flint glass lamp chimneys in America. Dithridge Street in Pittsburgh was named in his honor. His successor in business was Mrs. Good's father, Paul Zimmerman, who continued it until his death. He was also prominent in musical circles in Pittsburgh, being a charter member of the Gounod and Mozart clubs. Mrs. Good herself was a leader in musical and dramatic circles at Akron, a highly cultured woman, whose death on September 29, 1924, was greatly deplored. Mr. and Mrs. Good have two children: Harriet Dithridge and Miriam. Harriet is the wife of Richard W. Brouse, president of the Richard W. Brouse Company, the Akron agency for the Pierce-Arrow automobile. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Brouse are Richard W., Jr., and Edward Good Brouse. The daughter Miriam is married to Fred W. Lohmann, assistant sales manager of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company.

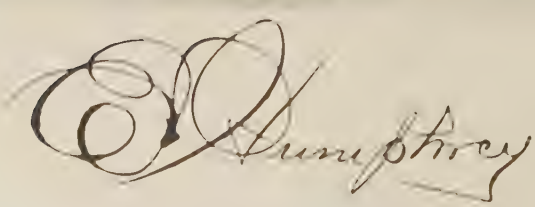
Winfield Scott Bookwalter, M. D., whose death occurred December 24, 1924, was a prominent man in the professional life of Montgomery County, but was perhaps even better known as a business man and financier. He was president of the Miamisburg Building & Loan Association and for many years was president of the Bookwalter Wheel Company and a director in the Pioneer Products Company.

Doctor Bookwalter was on the official board and a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Miamisburg, and for many years served on the Montgomery County District Board of Health. He was a member of the Rotary Club and a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. Doctor Bookwalter was unmarried, and with his sister, Miss Anna E. Bookwalter, occupied one of the most beautiful residences in Miamisburg, at the corner of Fourth and Pearl streets. His brother, the late Charles Edgar Bookwalter, was an attorney by profession and for twenty years was examiner of claims in the Pension Bureau at Washington, D. C.

A. E. Augenstein, postmaster of Napoleon, has been actively identified with the business affairs of this community for forty years. He is a member of a family that has been prominent in this section of Ohio, both in business and the professions.

He was born at Bucyrus, Ohio, August 10, 1863, son of Dr. Jacob and Mary (Boehler) Augenstein. His father was born in Baden, Germany, January 10, 1819, and was eight years old when his parents came to America. He was reared in Crawford County, Ohio, and at Bucyrus he began the study of medicine under Doctor Boehler. Doctor Boehler was also a native of Germany, and his daughter, Mary Boehler, was born July 27, 1822, and was a child when brought to America. Dr. Jacob Augenstein subsequently married Mary Boehler, and for several years was engaged in practice at Bucyrus. While there he acquired an interest in a woolen mill, and in 1863 he and his associates built a new mill at Napoleon, and somewhat later he transferred his residence to that city. Doctor Augenstein after retiring from business remained a highly respected citizen of Napoleon until his death in 1902, at the age of eighty-three. His wife passed away in 1900. Dr. Jacob Augenstein was the father of eight children. The four now living are: Margaret T., wife of C. C. Miller, in Tennessee; C. F. of Napoleon; Ida, wife of W. H. Donahue, of Chicago; and A. E. Augenstein.

A. E. Augenstein was about two years old when the family came to Napoleon, and he received a good education here, graduating from high school and spending two years in Oberlin College. He then became associated with his older brother in the woolen mills, and when that business was discontinued he



became a furniture merchant and undertaker. Mr. Augenstein devoted his time to this commercial line of business for ten years. In February, 1922, he was appointed postmaster of Napoleon under the Harding administration, and now devotes all his time to the administration of that office.

He married Miss Elizabeth Bitzer, of Napoleon. Their only child, Helen, graduated from the Napoleon High School and was a teacher in the Glenville School at Toledo when she died. Mr. and Mrs. Augenstein are members of the Presbyterian Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with Napoleon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master, belongs to the Royal Arch Chapter, Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar, and is a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His influence has always been thrown in behalf of the republican party. He served five years as a member of the Board of Public Service at Napoleon, and Governor Willis appointed him tax commissioner.

Hon. Roland Gerald Davis has for many years been well known in Hamilton as a business man and through his public and civic activities and participation in politics. He is a former state senator.

Mr. Davis was born at New Baltimore, Ohio, April 30, 1881, son of Sylvester E. and Sarah M. Davis. His mother died in 1907. His father, a resident of Hamilton, has been a stationary engineer for many years.

Roland Gerald Davis attended public schools at Hamilton, but as a boy he was thrown practically on his own responsibilities, and has made life's opportunities and advantages through his own resourcefulness. At the age of nine years he sought employment to pay his way. He was a boy worker in the plant of the Republican Publishing Company of Hamilton, and spent fourteen years with that institution. For seven years before he resigned he was foreman of the composing room. Mr. Davis has been a master printer, and was in business for himself as a commercial printer until the flood of 1913 completely destroyed his plant, causing him a loss of over $40,000. Following that for eighteen months he was assistant superintendent of the McDonald Printing Company of Cincinnati, for a year was general superintendent of the Printing Arts Company of Indianapolis and for eighteen months was mechanical director of the H. K. McCann Advertising Company of New York, Cleveland and San Francisco. Sickened with influenza, he was compelled to give up his work, and after practically regaining his health he entered actively into the political campaign of 1920, being a candidate before the republican primary for the office of state senator. He carried the primary by more than three to one over his opponent and was the first man ever elected on the republican ticket in the Second and Fourth Senatorial Districts, having a majority of 2,865. In the State Senate Mr. Davis was chairman of the committee on claims, and a member of the committees on taxation, cities, agriculture, labor, fish culture and game, colleges and universities, medical college and societies enrollment and public printing. He introduced and was influential in securing the passage of Senate Bill No. 81, authorizing cities, villages and counties to acquire play grounds, permitting the schools to cooperate in such enterprises. Senator Davis was not a candidate for reelection after the close of his term, since he became a candidate at the primary for lieutenant governor. He ran third in a field of nine candidates at the primary, and one of his distinctions was carrying Mahoning County by over 18,000 majority. He again became a candidate for the nomination for lieutenant governor in 1924. Mr. Davis regards participation in politics as one of the most solemn duties of citizenship, and throughout his career has made his influence effective in the behalf of clean politics and strict enforcement of the law. He has never missed voting in the primary or general elections since he was old enough, and once he returned home from Jamestown, New York, to participate in the primary. He has eight sisters and three brothers, and all of them are voters and strong republicans.

Mr. Davis and wife are prominent in all the activities and organizations of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married, October 28, 1903, Miss Daisy Christ, of California, Ohio, daughter of Reinhart and Mildred (Wheeler) Christ. Her father died in July, 1922, and her mother in September, 1924. Mrs. Davis was educated in the Hamilton Grammar and High schools and is a graduate of the Cincinnati College of Music in both piano and violin. She is a member of the Woman's Club, and has interested herself in various civic movements.

Elisha Humphrey, son of John and Rachel Humphrey, was born August 3, 1853, near Raysville, Vinton County, Ohio. He attended the public schools of this county during his early childhood, later entering the Smith Business College of Cincinnati, taking bookkeeping. After completing his course of study he was employed by a furnace company in the capacity of bookkeeper. Resigning this position, he went into the store business at Raysville, where he became acquainted with and married Anna L. Kidnocker, daughter of Robert Kidnocker, the local miller of Salt Creek.

Later Mr. Humphrey became interested in the operation of several flouring mills in Vinton and Ross counties, finally purchasing the local mill at Omega, Pike County, Ohio. Here he opened a general store in connection with his mill and farm interest. His business grew very rapidly and extended over such a vast territory in Vinton, Ross and Pike counties he soon felt the need of some means of taking better care of this ever increasing business. In 1897 he conceived the idea of constructing a telephone line from Omega, Pike County, to Allensville, Vinton County, via Higby, Richmondale, Vigo and Londonderry. This venture proved even more successful than anticipated, and in 1898 leased the right of way from the Board of Public Works of Ohio along the Ohio and Erie Canal for the construction of a telephone line from Omega to Waverly.

In this venture he met with certain opposition, as a certain telephone company had been duly organized at Waverly, known as the Columbia Telephone Company, composed of the leading business men of that village, and soon a telephone war was on. At this time it was impossible for Mr. Humphrey to secure an operating franchise in this village, so he proceeded to build around this village, leasing right of way from the then Ohio Southern Railroad from the corporate limit of Waverly to Glen Jean. From this point he continued along what is now known as the Scioto Trail to Piketon, Ohio.

As the villages of Waverly and Piketon still felt the sting of battle on account of removal of the county seat from Piketon to Waverly and the Columbia Telephone Company having neglected to develop the Piketon territory, the Humphrey move was cordially received by the people of Piketon, and here the first of the opposition telephone exchanges was opened in a barber shop where the barber (Mr. Spurck) answered as operator. About this time the Columbia Telephone Company was absorbed by the Central Union Telephone Company, who made some changes in the operating rules and rate charge. This, together with certain other agitation, saw the election of a council for the Village of Waverly who were friendly to the Humphrey cause, and anticipating some such move the Humphrey holdings were organized and in-

corporated as the Home Telephone Company, Waverly, Ohio, in August, 1899, E. Humphrey, president, J. N. Hoffman, treasurer, F. E. Dougherty, secretary.

From this time on for several years injunctions, suits for damages, disputed rights of way, together with a development campaign, followed with exchanges established at Beaver, Cynthiana, Idaho, Sinking Springs, Piketon and Waverly, together with the purchase of the local holdings of the Central Union Telephone Company, which was completed in 1912.

In 1903 Mr. Humphrey organized the Adams County Telephone Company, Peebles, Ohio, this being the outcome of requests from persons in and around Sinking Springs for telephone connection to their nearest railroad point. This organization proceeded to develop territory in Adams County, establishing exchanges at Peebles, Seaman, Wamsley and West Union, taking over the Central Union holdings in this territory in 1912.

The purchase of the holdings of the Central Union Telephone Company carried with it a traffic agreement for the handling of traffic over their lines and those of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, which completed a universal service for the subscribers of the Humphrey holding.

At the time of his death, which occurred in November, 1917, Mr. Humphrey was president and general manager of both telephone properties, owning nearly the entire issue of stock.

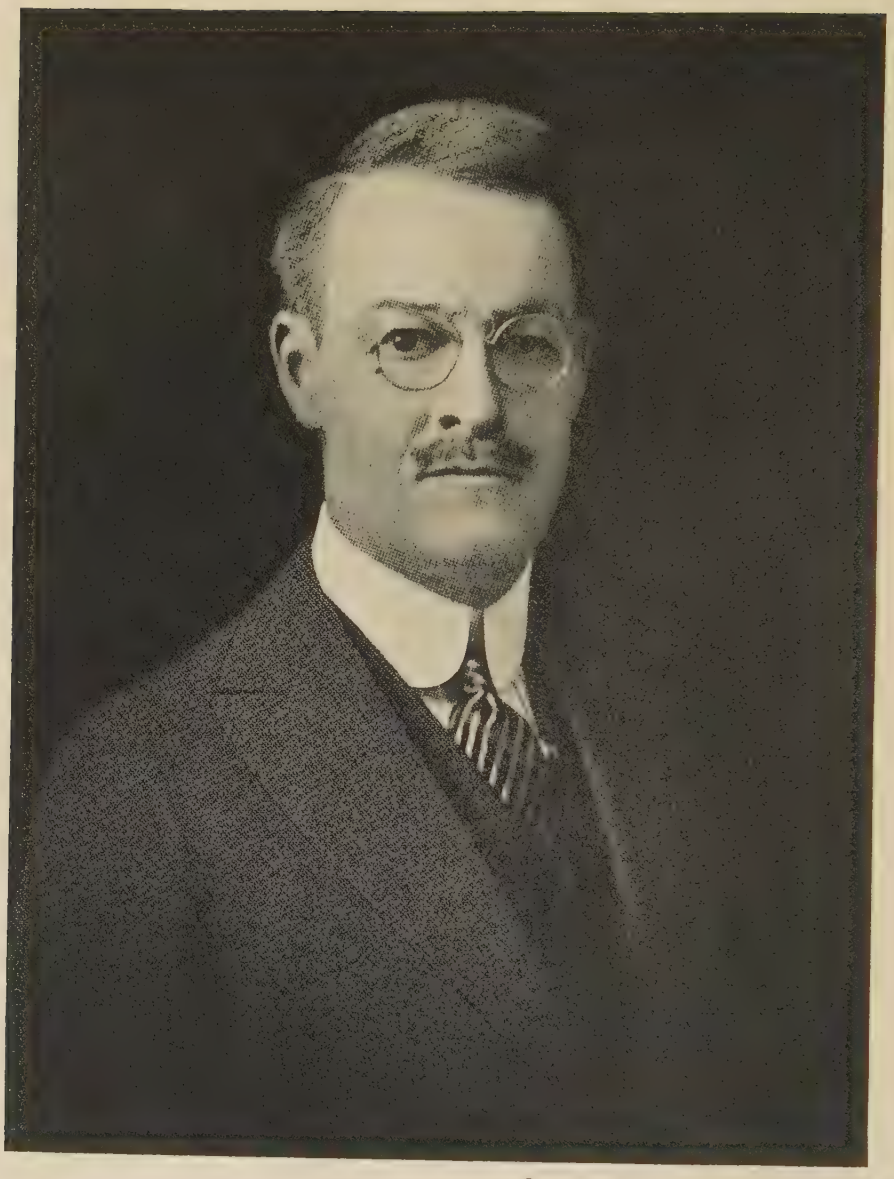
David Kirk, Sr., a man whose character and achievement were molded on a noble scale, was long numbered among the most prominent and influential citizens of Findlay, the metropolis and judicial center of Hancock County, and he did much to further the civic, industrial and commercial advancement of this fine Ohio city. Trusted and honored by all, this sterling citizen continued his active association with business affairs at Findlay until the time of his death, which occurred on the 11th of December, 1922.

Mr. Kirk was born in Dunfermline, Fifeshire, Scotland, May 5, 1849, a son of James and Margaret (Swan) Kirk, he having been but three years of age at the time of his mother's death. James Kirk was born in the year 1803 and passed his entire life in Scotland, where his death occurred in 1879. After the death of the mother the father kept the family together on the home farm, and there young David was reared to the age of ten years, when he was sent forth to work on a neighboring farm. He attended school less than one year, and his broader education was that gained by self-discipline and experience, he having become a man of broad and accurate knowledge and mature judgment. He abandoned farm work when fifteen years of age and entered upon an apprenticeship to the miller's trade in the City of Dunfermline. He there continued until he was about eighteen years old, and thereafter he followed his trade in the City of Glasgow until 1869, when, at the age of twenty years, he landed in the port of New York City, and within a short time obtained employment with a construction company that was engaged in building a tunnel in the Alleghany Mountains. After being thus employed three months he passed an interval in the City of Buffalo, New York, and then came to Akron, Ohio, which was then a mere village. There he was employed during the ensuing ten years, and with characteristic Scottish thrift and good judgment he saved his earnings during this period and thus had appreciable financial fortification when, in 1879, he purchased an interest in the Eagle Roller Mills at Findlay, in the operation of which he became associated with W. W. McConnell, under the firm name of McConnell & Kirk. The firm successfully operated the mills, which then had the old-time buhr equipment, and, keeping in touch with modern ideas, the establishment in 1882 was thoroughly equipped with the roller process, this having been the first roller mill in Northwest Ohio. In 1885 the firm was dissolved, Mr. Kirk purchasing his partner's interest, and in 1890, to meet increasing demands, he enlarged the manufacturing plant by adding to the building and doubling the output capacity of the plant. Mr. Kirk continued to operate the Eagle Mills, with unqualified success, until the time of his death, and maintained all products at the best modern standard.

In 1887 Mr. Kirk purchased the plant and business of the Findlay Baking Company, and this enterprise likewise he continued successfully until the same was sold to the United States Biscuit Company in 1891. A few years later the property became a part of the newly incorporated National Biscuit Company, and Mr. Kirk became one of the charter members of this great corporation. His initiative and business progressiveness found further expression in 1895 when he became associated with S. F. Evans as a member of the wholesale grocery firm of S. F. Evans & Company, he having assumed full control of the business upon the death of Mr. Evans in 1899, and having reorganized the same under the corporate title of David Kirk, Sons & Company, which is still retained, he having continued president of the company until his death and his progressive policies having been potent in developing the business from small proportions until the concern is now the largest inland wholesale grocery house in Northwestern Ohio.

In 1915 Mr. Kirk became vice president of the First National Bank of Findlay, this being the oldest national bank in Ohio, and he retained this office until his death. In September, 1922, he directed the movement which resulted in the consolidation of the First National and the American National banks of Findlay, but his death occurred before the important merger was definitely consummated.

The character of Mr. Kirk was the positive expression of a strong and noble nature, and he accounted well for himself in all of the relations of life. To his home and family he was the soul of devotion, and when he entered the home he laid aside the cares and perplexities of his business. From first to last he was a man of action, unremitting in his application to business, but never lacking in time to give counsel and assistance to those who applied to him in order to profit by his advice and mature judgment. He was a steadfast friend, and a loyal and liberal citizen—in short a man who fully merited the unqualified popular esteem in which he was held. He had no desire for special political activity or public office, but was staunch in his support of the cause of the republican party and gave loyal service as a member of the City Council of Findlay. In his native land he became a member of the United Presbyterian Church, and with the same he continued his earnest association after coming to the United States. In this connection it may consistently be noted that the large Bible which he brought with him from Scotland, and in which his name, address and occupation are inscribed, was valued highly by him and is now retained by his family as a treasured heirloom. At the time of the funeral of Mr. Kirk banks and other business houses at Findlay suspended business during the obsequies as a token of respect and honor to the deceased. From the columns of a local paper, is taken, with minor changes, the following estimate, published at the time of the death of Mr. Kirk. "He was a notable citizen of Findlay, came here from Akron and entered the milling business, and he so conducted his business affairs that he was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was strictly a business man, and was so recognized by all who knew him. So well did he conduct his business that people often sought his advice in connection with their business affairs. His word was his bond, and



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he was so respected. He was a devoted husband, a kind father and a loyal neighbor and friend. He journeyed with honor along life's pathway, and so lived that when the final summons came he was ready."

February 28, 1872, recorded the marriage of Mr. Kirk and Miss Margaret Whyte, of Loch Galey, Fifeshire, Scotland, and her death occurred at Findlay, Ohio, August 12, 1884. Concerning the children of this union the following brief record is given: James S. died in 1890; Robert W. resides at Findlay; Minnie W. is the wife of A. O. Stuart, of Youngstown; Maggie died in 1893; David, Jr., resides at Findlay, and with his older brother, is one of the principals of David Kirk Sons & Company; Bessie B. died in infancy, in 1884. In 1885 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Kirk and Miss Mary Mathison, of Airdrie, Scotland, and she continues to maintain her home at Findlay. The children of this marriage are six in number: Charles T. is associated with the business developed by his father, the Eagle Roller Mills; Isabell is the wife of H. L. Spitler, Cleveland, Ohio; Jeannie is the wife of H. H. Robinson, of Detroit, Michigan; Hazel M. is the wife of B. F. Stephenson, of that city; Ellen M., is the wife of H. J. Denler, and they likewise reside in Detroit; and Harry resides at Findlay.

Lester G. Seymour is a grower, buyer and shipper of onions, with headquarters at Kenton. The Seymour family for three generations has been identified with a business handling grain and other agricultural products at Kenton. He represents the third generation in Kenton. The founder of the business was his grandfather, William Henry Seymour, who settled in Hardin County in 1850, and for many years was a merchant at Kenton. In 1872 he and his son, John B. Seymour, became grain commission merchants at Kenton. He finally retired from the business in 1893. For many years he was an elder in the Presbyterian Church. His wife, Eliza Bemis, was born in Ohio, daughter of Elijah Bemis.

John B. Seymour, one of the four children of William H. Seymour, was born in Huron County, Ohio, January 2, 1849, was reared in Hardin County, where he attended the public schools at Patterson, and at the age of eighteen went to Chicago, being employed in a hardware establishment. Returning to Hardin County, he became associated with his father in the grain and produce business at Kenton, and gave his time and energies to that firm until the grain department of the business was sold in 1919. He died in 1920. The firm at one time operated two elevators, one at Kenton and the other at Foraker. At Foraker was started the business of the firm as buyers and shippers of onions.

John B. Seymour married in 1872 Pauline Heym, who was born at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 21, 1851, daughter of J. Adam and Jane Heym. Her father was a soldier in the Civil war. John B. Seymour was employed in the hardware business of William Blair, Chicago, when the great fire of 1871 occurred. He was a republican in politics, and a member of all the York and Scottish Rite bodies of Masonry, and was an elder in the Presbyterian Church.

Lester G. Seymour was born at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, February 24, 1891, and was reared in Kenton, attending the grammar and high schools there. He spent one year in Wooster University, and completed a business course at Kenton. He married Eleanor M. Zeis, of Kenton, widow of Dr. H. J. Zeis, and daughter of Daniel R. McArthur, who was a pioneer of Hardin County. Mrs. Seymour by her first husband has one son, Robert H. Zeis, now a sophomore in high school. The one child of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour is John L. Seymour.

Mr. Seymour is affiliated with Lodge No. 154 of the Masonic Order, Scioto, Royal Arch Chapter, Kenton Council, Kenton Commandery of the Knights Templar, Toledo Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. Mr. Seymour served eighteen months with the colors during the World war, but was never assigned to overseas duty. He was commissioned a first lieutenant with the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Machine Gun Battalion. He is a republican, a member of the Elks, and is a past commander of Kenton Post of the American Legion.

Sidney Spitzer is a native of Ohio and a member of a notable family who have figured prominently in banking and financial affairs for several generations. He was born near Medina, Ohio, February 15, 1875, and is the son of Aaron B. and Anna (Collins) Spitzer and grandson of Nicholas Spitzer. Aaron B. Spitzer was born near Schenectady, New York, in 1823 and for years was in the banking business of Ohio. He maintained a fine stock farm near Medina, Ohio. He died in Medina in 1892.

Sidney Spitzer graduated from Medina High School in 1895 and as a youth manifested a strong inclination toward a financial career. He and his brother, Frank Spitzer, in 1897 organized the Citizens Savings Bank in Pemberville, Ohio, where he acted as its cashier until 1899 when he resigned his position to become associated with the banking house of Spitzer & Company of Toledo, Ohio, dealers in investment bonds. Subsequently he was made a general partner in the business where he took charge of the buying department of the business, which position he held until 1911.

In 1912, following an extended tour abroad in which he visited the principal countries in the Far East, he established the banking house of Sidney Spitzer & Company, dealers in government, municipal and other high grade investment bonds with branch offices located in New York, Chicago, Detroit, Columbus, Cincinnati, St. Louis, New Orleans, Dallas and Columbia, South Carolina. The firm did a national business, the volume of which ran into hundreds of millions of dollars.

Mr. Spitzer is also a large owner of Toledo real estate, being one of the owners and the managing director of the seventeen-story Nicholas Building. He also holds under a long time lease the Gardner Building, another large office building. He is a director of the Commerce-Guardian Trust & Savings Bank and several other large industrial and financial institutions in the Middle West.

Mr. Spitzer's home, Horton Hall, is located at Perrysburg, Ohio, in Toledo's finest residential suburban district. It is not only one of the most beautiful homes in or about Toledo, but it is also historically interesting, since the central figure of the estate is a mansion which has been standing for more than a hundred years, and in which have been entertained as guests such great Americans as Daniel Webster, William Henry Harrison, Rutherford B. Hayes, William McKinley and Warren G. Harding.

Mr. Spitzer is president of the Toledo Chapter of the American Archæological Society, he is a trustee of the Toledo Museum of Art, a member of the Maumee Valley Pioneer and Historical Association, the Historical Society of North America, the Toledo Club, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, Toledo Country Club, Toledo Automobile Club, Carranor Hunt & Polo Club, the Everglades Club of Palm Beach and the Bankers Club of New York. He is a republican in politics. His chief recreation is polo, in which he is an enthusiastic player, maintaining a string of fine polo ponies. Mr. Spitzer is also very fond of travel, spending a portion of each year in Europe.

Mr. Spitzer married in April, 1903, Alice Louise Horton of Adrian, Michigan, daughter of George B. Horton, who was a prominent figure in Michigan politics for over fifty years. Mrs. Spitzer is a graduate of the Adrian High School and also attended the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. They have one son, Sidney Horton Spitzer, born January 11, 1904.

George Hayden Marsh. The late George Hayden Marsh, of Van Wert County, distinguished business man and benefactor, was born at Farmington, Connecticut, December 23, 1833, grandson of James Marsh and son of George Marsh. George Marsh was a clock maker by trade and made his first trip to Ohio selling clocks in 1833. From Athens, his first location, he moved to Dayton where he continued the manufacture of clocks. He invested in lands in Northwestern Ohio and was one of the three men who laid out the Town of Van Wert. In 1845, after a brief residence in Connecticut, he returned to Ohio and settled in Van Wert.

George Hayden Marsh was twelve years old when his parents came to Van Wert, which was still a pioneer town. He was educated in the public schools there, attended the Ohio University at Athens and at the age of sixteen became asistant to a surveying corps. For a time he worked in the Gilbert clock factory in Connecticut and at the age of twenty-one became clerk to the master mechanic of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railway. After leaving the railroad, he engaged in farming and stock raising and for many years was prominently identified with the manufacture of cooperage supplies. He owned the Eagle Stave Works at Van Wert, Latty and Belmore, Ohio. Through this means, many thousands of acres of wooded lands in Northwestern Ohio were converted into fertile fields. Mr. Marsh was for a number of years president of the Lima Locomotive Company. At the time of his death, he was president of the First National Bank of Van Wert, one of the strongest banking institutions in this part of Ohio. He was a Freemason of long standing, having taken all of the York and Scottish Rites, including the thirty-second degree.

Mr. Marsh left an estate valued at over $4,000,000. In his lifetime he used much of his wealth for the public good. He built and equipped the Van Wert County Hospital, one of the most complete in the State of Ohio, and also the Van Wert County Young Women's Christian Association Building, costing $125,000 each. His will provided for the building and maintenance of a children's home and industrial school, to educate and train dependent children of Van Wert and adjoining counties. He died less than a year after his will was executed, whereupon, according to an Ohio law, this charitable provision became void. However, his only heir, Mrs. Katie Marsh Clymer, was completely in sympathy with the object of her father's generosity, and she and Mr. Clymer have co-operated with the executors in carrying out his desires in every detail. Van Wert is deeply indebted not only to the late George H. Marsh, but to his father, George Marsh, who provided sites in pioneer times for the building of the original Van Wert Methodist and Presbyterian churches, and also donated land for a system of parks, which have contributed largely to the attractiveness of Van Wert.

George H. Marsh, who died August 13, 1920, married Miss Hilinda Vance, November 26, 1862. She was born in Millersport, Ohio, June 13, 1844, and died September 19, 1900. The inspiration of founding an institution for children originated with Mrs. Marsh. She was an ideal home-maker and her noble Christian character and charitable impulses were the best influences of her husband's life.

Katie, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh, was married to Arthur I. Clymer, April 25, 1888.

Mr. Clymer for nineteen years was actively associated with Mr. Marsh in the management of his extensive business affairs. He and Mrs. Clymer are now living at the old Marsh homestead on East Ridge Road adjoining the 1,600-acre tract on which the buildings of the children's home and industrial school provided by the Marsh Foundation are located.

Mr. Marsh named L. C. Morgan, H. L. Conn and O. W. Kerns as executors of his will. At settlement of the estate, they became trustees of the Marsh Foundation. Upon the death of Mr. Kerns, D. L. Brumback was appointed trustee in his stead. Mr. Morgan has given his entire time to the Foundation. The children's home and industrial school will be under the direction of Dr. R. R. Reeder, late of New York. The principal buildings, now aproaching completion, bespeak the importance of the Marsh Foundation, which will be one of the greatest benevolent institutions in the United States.

Two supreme facts are outstanding in the life of George Hayden Marsh: his commercial genius, as attested by his ability to build up a fortune of millions in a town of 8,000—and his wisdom in devoting that fortune to the uplifting of humanity, through the watchful care of dependent children, together with their practical education, to the end that they and their succession might become law-abiding, useful citizens, our country's greatest asset.

Capt. Edwin Lewis Lybarger, aged eighty-four, a Civil war veteran and president of the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Warsaw, died at his home in that village June 27, 1924. During his more active days Mr. Lybarger was numbered among the distinguished citizens of Ohio because of his prominence in political and business circles.

He was born in Wayne County, Ohio, September 29, 1840, the son of James T. Lybarger, who came to Ohio in 1808. When the Civil war broke out Edwin Lewis Lybarger was mustered into service in Company K of the Forty-third Ohio Valley Volunteer Infantry and served nearly four years, rising to the rank of captain. He first served under General Polk, then in the Army of the Tennessee, and later under General Sherman in his famous march to the sea.

After the war he read law with the Hon. William R. Sapp at Mount Vernon for a short time, and then he entered business in Spring Mountain. For twenty years he was a director of the Commercial National Bank of Coshocton, and was president of the Warsaw Farmers & Merchants Bank at the time of his death.

A republican in politics, he was chosen to represent his district in the State Legislature in 1875. He was a delegate to the Republican National Convention which nominated Hayes in 1876, and to the one that nominated Blaine in 1884. Four years later he was defeated as a candidate for Congress.

In 1896 Captain Lybarger was chosen commander of the Department of Ohio, Grand Army of the Republic. He served as trustee of the Girls' Industrial School at Delaware, and as a member of the State Board of Public Works from 1891 to 1897, and was a member of the commission which planned the construction of the State House at Columbus. For many years he was president of the State Board of Agriculture.

Early in life he joined the Masonic Order, and in 1899 rose to the position of grand master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. He was at one time trustee of the Masonic Home in Mansfield. He held membership in Warsaw Lodge No. 296, Free and Accepted

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Masons, Samaritan Chapter No. 96, Royal Arch Masons; Coshocton Commandery, Knights Templars, and the Cincinnati Consistory of the Scottish Rites. He was also a member of Coshocton Lodge No. 376, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Legion and the Newton Stanton Post of the Grand Army of the Republic.

His first wife was Saphrona Rogers, who died in 1881. In 1885 he was united in marriage with Nannie Moore, of Coshocton, who with one son, Harry S., of Coshocton, survives him. Besides his widow and son he is survived by four grandchildren. Captain Lybarger was a member of the Methodist Church at Spring Mountain, where he lived until 1867.

Charles H. Bulkley. For over a quarter of a century Charles H. Bulkley was one of the notable men of Cleveland, and for what he did for the civic improvement of that city his name will live in its annals.

Mr. Bulkley was born at Williamstown, Massachusetts, on September 26, 1842, a son of Henry G. and Susan (Brown) Bulkley, of Massachusetts, and came from a long line of notable ancestry, beginning in this country with the Rev. Peter Bulkley, of England, who became the first Congregational minister at Concord, Massachusetts, and was the donor of the first library to Harvard College. From Massachusetts Henry G. Bulkley moved his family to near Albany, New York, thence to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where Charles H. was prepared for college. After almost two years in college he came to Cleveland, in 1861, and for a time read law. His natural inclinations were for a business rather than a professional life. However, he gave up the study of law to enter the real estate business, for which he was peculiarly fitted. However, his knowledge of law gained in the law office of one of the able attorneys of Cleveland proved of great value to him throughout his long and very successful business career. Later on he was, upon the recommendation of several prominent business men of Cleveland, selected by the United States Mortgage Company as its agent for Northern Ohio, and still later, William J. Gordon, long one of Cleveland's leading and wealthy citizens, and a warm, personal friend of Mr. Bulkley, selected him as his trusted agent and advisor and, before he died, made him a trustee of his large estate. Mr. Bulkley was also a director in the old National Bank of Commerce and vice president of The Plain Dealer Company, publishers of the Cleveland daily paper of that name.

It is with the park system of Cleveland that the name of Mr. Bulkley will always be most closely associated. Years before a park system for Cleveland had been inaugurated, or a park commission even thought of, the need of public parks was strongly impressed upon Mr. Bulkley and, realizing that at that time the city could by a modest expenditure acquire ground for the purpose which a few years later could not be had at any price, he began what from that time on was his life work—the development of Cleveland's park system. When the law placing the management of the public parks of Cleveland in the hands of a park commission was enacted, Mr. Bulkley was one of three men selected for membership of the commission which, at its first meeting, elected him president of the board, a position he continued to hold until his death, and it was as park commissioner that he was especially prominent during the last years of his life. At a great sacrifice of his time and to the detriment of his health he gave himself almost entirely to the work of perfecting the system of the parks of the city, and Cleveland's magnificent parks and boulevards of the present day are due in a greater measure to Mr. Bulkley than to any other one man.

Mr. Bulkley was a member of the first board of directors of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Union Club, of which he served as treasurer from 1878 to 1888, and as president in 1888 and 1889.

On December 9, 1874, Mr. Bulkley was united in marriage with Miss Roberta E. Johns, and to them were born two sons, Robert J. and Henry G. The death of Mr. Bulkley occurred on December 29, 1895, his widow surviving him until November 17, 1920.

Hon. Robert Johns Bulkley. One of the men of Ohio who have won honor in public life, prominent in his profession and success in business is the Hon. Robert J. Bulkley, former member of Congress, attorney and banker of Cleveland.

Mr. Bulkley was born in Cleveland, on October 8, 1880, a son of the late Charles H. and Roberta (Johns) Bulkley. He was liberally educated, attending Brooks Military Institute, prepared for college at Cleveland University School, finished his college course and studied law at Harvard University, where he was graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1902, and received his Master of Arts degree in 1906. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1906, entered the practice of law in Cleveland, and has so continued, now as senior member of the law firm of Bulkley, Hauxhurst, Jamison & Sharp.

Mr. Bulkley was elected as a democrat to represent the Twenty-first Ohio District in Congress in 1910, and was reelected in 1912, serving two full terms. While he was one of the younger members of Congress, Mr. Bulkley proved an able and progressive representative of his state and district and an influential member of the Ohio delegation in Washington. Probably his chief service in Congress was rendered as a member of the House committee on banking and currency. He participated in the enactment of what is now known as the "Federal Reserve Bank Act," he having been one of four members of the House who had charge of the bill in committee and on the floor. He was also chairman of the House sub-committee which, in collaboration with a similar Senate committee, prepared the original draft of the bill which later was enacted as the "Federal Farm Loan Act." Both of these laws have long since proved their value to the entire country. Upon the expiration of his second term in Congress, on March 4, 1913, Mr. Bulkley returned to Cleveland and to his profession and his business interests.

During the World war period Mr. Bulkley served as chief of the legal section of the General Munitions Board of the National Council of Defense, beginning in April, 1917, and continued as chief of the legal section upon the reorganization of that board into the War Industries Board. He reorganized the legal department of the United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation, and served temporarily as its general counsel. Together with Brig.-Gen. Charles Keller, U. S. A., he served as personal representative of the secretary of war in the administration of Niagara Falls power, and in cooperation with Sir Henry Drayton, Canadian power commissioner, they controlled the output of Niagara power on both sides of the river. Following the close of the war Mr. Bulkley was responsible for editing a report for Benedict Crowell, of Cleveland, assistant secretary of war and director of munitions, which report was published in 1919 under the title of "America's Munitions."

Mr. Bulkley has varied and important business interests in Cleveland. He has been president of the Morris Plan Bank of Cleveland since its organization in 1916; he is president of the Bulkley Building Company and president of the Cleveland Land & Securities Company. He is a member of the board of trustees of Cleveland University School, and a member of the following clubs: City (president in 1924),

Union, Athletic, University, Hermit, Tavern, Mid-Day, Kirtland and Country, all of Cleveland, and of the Harvard Club of New York.

On February 17, 1909, Mr. Bulkley married Katharine Pope, of Helena, Montana, and to them have been born two sons and a daughter: Robert Johns, Jr., William Pope, and Katharine.

Hon. Lawrence Gill Collister. Among the men of Ohio who have won prestige in their profession, success in business and distinction and honor in public life is the Hon. Lawrence G. Collister, of Cleveland, who was born in that city on October 4, 1893, and is descended from one of the old and well-known families of this state. His parents, Caesar C. and Ellen (Gill) Collister, were born and married on the Isle of Man, England, came to this country following the close of our Civil war, and settled in Brooklyn, Cuyahoga County, which is now a part of the City of Cleveland.

Lawrence G. Collister was graduated from high school in 1912, and at a later period engaged in promotion work for four years, traveling out of New York City and covering thirty of our states and portions of Old Mexico. He then took up the study of law, completed the law course at the University of West Virginia, and in 1920 was graduated, Bachelor of Laws, from Baldwin-Wallace University of Ohio, later receiving the Master of Arts degree from Ohio Northern University. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1920, and in that year entered practice in Cleveland, and has since continued, now as a member of the firm of Collister, Lemmon & Brueckner.

Aside from his profession Mr. Collister has large and important business interests, including those of banking and real estate, and also is actively identified with a number of civic and business organizations. He is vice president of the Lincoln Savings & Loan Company, vice president of the County Mortgage Company, director in the Harvard Savings & Loan Company, president of the Business-Site Leasehold Company, and president of Old Chippewa (Inc.) Company; and is a director of the West Twenty-fifth Street Business Men's Association, director of the Southwestern Civic and Business Men's Association, and a member of the Cleveland Industrial Association and other kindred organizations.

While Mr. Collister has gained prominence in professional and business affairs in his home city, it has been in the domain of public life that he has achieved statewide distinction and honor. He began his public career in 1922 with his election as a member of the Ohio State Senate. In that year he entered the republican primaries of Cuyahoga County as a candidate, and received the third largest vote in a field of twenty-four candidates; and at the ensuing general election he held a similar position in a field of twelve candidates. In the primaries of 1924 he was renominated for reelection to the Senate, running third in a field of twenty-three candidates, and fourth in a field of twelve candidates at the general election. As a member of the Eighty-fifth General Assembly, Senator Collister early took rank as one of the leaders of the Senate, both on the floor and in the committee room, and his record of achievement in that session is as follows: He was co-author of the Collister-Freeman Act, regulating motor-bus and motor-truck agencies acting as common carriers, which measure was termed by party leaders in general as the most constructive and important piece of legislation enacted at that session, and which received and is still receiving more newspaper recognition than any other state law of recent years, and is claimed to be the most progressive and thorough measure of its kind ever adopted by any state. He was author of the Collister Judicial Council Bill, providing for the creation of a commission for the purpose of clarifying, unifying and re-vamping the judicial system of the state, said commission to be composed of the chief justice of the State Supreme Court, presidents of the Court of Appeals, Judges' Association, Probate Judges' Association and Municipal Judges' Association, and three representative attorneys selected by the governor. The bill was passed, vetoed by the governor, and passed over the veto, and the law is now in effect. He was co-author of the King-Collister Act, providing for the regulation of building and loan companies, which law has driven out of that business the unscrupulous promoter and provides protection for a thrift industry that finances 75 per cent of the new homes constructed in the state each year. As author of the Carbon Monoxide Bill he made the first filibuster ever staged in the Ohio General Assembly, talking four and a half hours against strong-arm methods and gag rule of the majority leaders, and was partially successful in securing consideration of the measure, which provided that gas heating appliances should have a vent or flue which, it was claimed, would tend to reduce the toll of 100 or more deaths which occur in the state each winter from carbon monoxide gas generated by gas heating appliances without flues or vents. He was co-author of the measure which gave county commissioners of large metropolitan counties of the state authority to build water and sanitary sewer lines throughout the entire county, so that people living outside the city areas might have these conveniences, which bill was passed, vetoed by the governor, and passed over the veto. He secured the passage of the law relating to annexation of suburbs by cities, also secured the passage of the measure giving Common Pleas judges greater rights in the matter of paroling prisoners, and was also active in support of the measure giving ten Municipal judges to the City of Cleveland. He introduced the following bills which failed of passage: A bill to regulate the coroner's office; an anti-revolver and pistol bill; a tax exemption on new homes measure, and a county home rule or city-county merger. The governor vetoed some seventy-five proposed laws, and of the five of those vetoed that were passed over the veto three carried Senator Collister's name as author. During the Eighty-fifth General Assembly Senator Collister served as chairman of the Senate committee on building and loans, and as a member of the committees on judiciary, military affairs and colleges and universities.

The achievements of Senator Collister in the Eighty-fifth General Assembly, together with personal popularity and characteristics, gained instant leadership for him in the Eighty-sixth General Assembly, and at the organization of the Senate in January, 1925, he was offered by his colleagues the office of pro tem, which carried with it the floor leadership of the Senate and, while his election was assured, illness at the time caused him to decline the honor and its responsibilities. However, he was offered and accepted chairmanship of the most important committee of the Senate—the auto-motive committee, which handles all motor legislation—also chairmanship of the committee on building and loan associations, and membership on the committees on finance, public utilities, judiciary, manufactures and commerce, military affairs and colleges and universities.

Senator Collister's achievements in the Eighty-sixth General Assembly may be summarized as follows: Co-author of the Collister-Krueger Bill, which amended the original Collister-Freeman Bill, providing for home rule for cities in matters of local transportation problems, which was the first measure passed during that session. He introduced the Collister Operator's License Bill, providing for examination and licensing of auto drivers, and also introduced the Collister County Home Rule Bill, providing

all forms of government in a county which might be merged into one metropolitan county-wide form of government.

Senator Collister was a member of the executive committee that brought the National Republican Convention of 1924 to Cleveland, and was a member of the State Speakers' Organization of Ohio in the Coolidge-Dawes campaign for President of that year.

During the World war Senator Collister served as secretary of the Cleveland Ordnance District Board, which board had jurisdiction of all of Ohio. Later he was commissioned first lieutenant in the Chemical Warfare Service, and served with that rank until the close of the war, following which he was appointed a member of the Cleveland Salvage Board, and served as such until in 1919.

Senator Collister is a member of the Cleveland and Ohio State Bar associations, and of the following Masonic bodies: Elbrook Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons (a charter member); Cleveland Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Cleveland Council, Royal and Select Masters; Oriental Commandery, Knights Templar; Al Koran Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and Cleveland Lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite (thirty-second degree). He is also a member of the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias orders, of Lake Erie Post, American Legion, and of Delta Theta Phi (college law fraternity).

William H. Houghton. Handicapped by almost total deafness and a meager education, William H. Houghton, one of Marion's foremost business men and head of the Houghton Manufacturing Company, the world's largest sulky works, fought his way from poverty to wealth and esteem and has earned for himself the title, "Marion's most successful commonsense business man."

In the uphill fight that Mr. Houghton waged there is a similarity to the struggles of all of America's really great men. It might be said that his biographical sketch reads like that of the immortal Lincoln.

Born in Wayne County, Ohio, November 17, 1864, Houghton had little opportunity to go to school. Before he had reached the age of ten years he was forced into hard work, and after his tenth year was hired out on a farm for his board and clothes.

During the time he was earning his board and clothing by doing the work of a man and all the tiresome chores required of the farm youth he encountered many interesting as well as many bitter experiences. Among his bitter experiences he recalls most vividly a thrashing he received along the roadside at the hand of his employer. He was flogged for no reason at all. A neighbor, hearing his cries, forced his employer to quit whipping the boy.

At the age of eleven years young Houghton was not only doing all the chores around the place, plowing corn and doing all that a boy his age is expected to do, but he was in the field taking his turns with grown up men. Before he was twelve years of age he had plowed a twelve-acre field recently cleared of timber and stumps.

After three years of farm work he was bound out to a home endowed for poor children, near Massillon, Ohio, where by agreement he remained four years. A large 400-acre farm on which the home was located afforded the youths of the home ample opportunity to learn every phase of farming. However, the opportunity for a common school education was exceedingly slim, classes being held but a few hours in the afternoon only. The remainder of the day the children helped with the work. The school term started in November and closed the following March.

At the age of sixteen years young Houghton left the home. His leaving the school marked the end of the little education on which he relied in his many business ventures. This common school education was improved by attending night school two nights a week one winter in Columbus.

Young Houghton showed his ability to shoulder responsibility and inspire confidence in those associated with him at the children's home when the superintendent assigned most of the responsible work to him. He cared for six head of horses, ran errands of importance to Massillon and Canton for the superintendent's family, sowed wheat and grain with a drill, and drove the mower and reaper. Like Douglas the showman and other great industrial leaders who were raised on the farm, he warmed his bare feet during the heavy November frosts by standing on the ground where a cow or horse had been lying. Up to his sixteenth birthday young Houghton had never worn underclothes, much less an overcoat.

He recalls with keen interest an interesting ride to the old home at Dalton, nine miles from Massillon, on a pony, while at the home, and says it reminds him of the late President Harding's first trip to Marion from Caledonia, Ohio, on a donkey.

Immediately following the time he left this children's home he hired out on a farm at $14 per month, which wages at that time were exceptionally good for farm hands. Soon, however, he decided that he wanted to learn some trade. During that summer President Garfield was assassinated. He was apprenticed to the carpenter trade (Lewis & Kosier, Dalton, Ohio, contractors) at 50 cents a day, boarding himself, working in hay and the harvest fields during the harvest season to earn extra money, and finally quit this, and the following year, 1883, secured work in the planing mill and lumber yards at Dalton, Ohio.

In 1885, when twenty-one years old, he accepted a position to superintend the manufacturing of all mill work, frames, sash, doors, scrolls, etc., for the first buildings on the present Ohio state fair grounds, Columbus, Ohio, which were to be erected and completed in time for the first state fair in August, 1886. A few of these buildings are still standing. He immediately seized this opportunity to attend night school.

While in Columbus he walked four miles to and from school after a strenuous day's work.

The same year after completion of the work on the state fair grounds he returned to Dalton, borrowed the money and bought a half partnership in the Dalton Lumber and Planing Mill, contracting for the building of churches, schoolhouses, farm homes, and barns in the town and surrounding country.

Three years later, in the fall of 1889, he married Clara I. Schultz, daughter of the late Martin and Catherine Schultz of Dalton, Ohio. The following spring he sacrificed his planing mill interests and invested the entire proceeds, about $600, in a carload of doors, windows and mill work, purchased from A. Teachout and Company, Columbus, Ohio. He shipped this to Harriman, Tennessee, then a "boom" town just born. (Now having a population of 5,000.) He, being one of Harriman's pioneers, immediately organized the Cumberland Manufacturing Company, making doors, sashes, and mill work. He took a long chance but the business proved successful, and he saved about $4,000 while in Harriman.

In the spring of 1893 he returned to Dalton, because of his father-in-law's failing health, adding his entire savings he reorganized the business of manufacturing the Schultz farm wagons, and soon thereafter added to this the building of circus wagons for some of the largest circuses in the United States, including Barnum and Bailey. This business flourished until the spring of 1895, when fire destroyed the entire plant, with little insurance on the buildings owned by Mr. Schultz and none on the stock. Mr. Houghton lost all—everything he had.

Without funds to rebuild, he decided to locate else-

where and moved to Marion, Ohio, in October of that year, accepting a position as superintendent of the National Wagon Company, manufacturing delivery wagons. One year later he resigned his position and leased of the late T. J. McMurray the McMurray-Fisher Sulky Company shop, then standing idle, and started the Houghton Buggy Company, prospering from the start. Six months later he and T. J. McMurray formed a partnership to reestablish the old sulky business, continuing with it the new buggy business already started both under Mr. Houghton's management. During this time Mr. Houghton designed and built the first McMurray pneumatic tire cart and sulky.

In 1901 the business was separated, becoming two different corporations one the McMurray Sulky Company the other the Houghton-Merkel Company, Mr. Houghton being president of both companies and managing the sulky business. Then he arranged with C. E. Merkel, York, Nebraska, a cousin, to locate in Marion and assume management of the buggy and implement business, already well established. In a few years he sold his interest in this company which changed name and soon discontinued.

In the fall of 1903, being alarmed about his health and hearing, he sold his interests in the McMurray Sulky Company, retaining other interests, and with his family spent the winter months in California in view of permanently locating there, but returned to Marion in the spring of 1904 and again embarked in the manufacturing business, forming the Houghton Manufacturing Company, of which he is still president.

The present plant, near the business center of Marion is equipped with the latest improved machinery and modern manufacturers' facilities, employing many skilled workmen. Today the establishment is the largest concern of its kind in the world, with an international reputation, making shipments to practically every civilized country.

Aside from the manufacture of sulkies, carts and accessories, the Houghton Manufacturing Company also manufactures console phonograph and radio cabinets. Centrally located, the company is exceptionally convenient for access to the factory.

Mr. Houghton's business ability can best be judged from the fact that when he assumed charge of the Dalton factory manufacturing farm and circus wagons they employed but four men at first, but increased the number to thirty men when fire destroyed the factory, and in connection with the new business he established when in Marion he also reestablished a sulky business that had discontinued and made good, he assisted in establishing a savings bank, and organized and is successfully operating his present business. Another striking illustration is when he staked every cent on a car load of manufactured lumber, shipped it down South, a new country to him, and quickly sold every splinter of it, and at the same time started a new company.

Mr. Houghton was for many years president of the Marion Savings Bank, one of the best banks in Marion. He not only held this position for twelve years but was one of the original organizers.

Mr. and Mrs. Houghton have three children, Ellis M., now a realtor in Cleveland; Helen Kathryn, now Mrs. Frank Foster, wife of the secretary and sales manager of the Houghton Sulky Company, and Dorothy A., a teacher in the Marion public schools. They own an attractive home at 740 East Church Street. Politically Mr. Houghton is a republican, and fraternally he is an Odd Fellow, Knight of Pythias and Elk, also a member of the Marion Chamber of Commerce and the Young Men's Christian Association.

MAJ. JAMES ELLIOTT HALL, now a resident of Columbus, is a native of Pickaway County, where his great-great-grandfather, Anthony Hall, Sr., was the third permanent white settler.

The branch of the Hall family from which Major Hall descended was established in the Colony of Virginia about 1720, by William Hall, an English gentleman of Saxon descent. The estate of William Hall was located in Frederick County, Virginia, now Jefferson County, West Virginia, near Hall Town.

Anthony Hall, Sr., the Ohio pioneer, was a son of William Hall, of Virginia. The first two white settlers in Jackson Township, Pickaway County, Ohio, were Jonathan Renick and William Marquis, both of whom came from the western part of old Virginia. Anthony Hall, Sr., arrived in 1798, soon after the first two, and settled on the north bank of Darby Creek, about three miles from its mouth, on the land now owned by Maj.-Gen. George R. Florence. Later he bought, from Marquis, a log gristmill and a sawmill. These mills were known as Hall's Mills and were operated by Anthony Hall, Sr., until his death, which occurred May 30, 1825, in his eighty-fourth year. Anthony Hall, Sr.'s, wife was Rachel Simpson, a relative of the maternal grandfather of Gen. U. S. Grant. She died in 1823. They were the parents of eleven children, all born in Virginia. Three of the sons were soldiers in the War of 1812; and a descendant of James, one of these soldier sons, is the wife of Charles H. Lewis, the present lieutenant-governor of Ohio.

Anthony Hall, Jr., fifth child of Anthony Hall, Sr., was born on the old William Hall estate in Virginia and came to Pickaway County, Ohio, with his parents about the close of the eighteenth century. Subsequently he became a pioneer in Allen County, Ohio, where he entered land in 1830. He died about 1873, at a very advanced age. On April 29, 1806, he married Mary Ward, daughter of Joseph Ward, a soldier of the Revolutionary war and another pioneer in Allen County. Anthony Hall, Jr., and wife were the parents of eleven children.

The only one of these children to remain in Pickaway County was Henry Vanmeter Hall. He was born February 12, 1809, the same day as Abraham Lincoln, and died April 28, 1886. He married Rebecca Ward, born November 13, 1808, and died June 12, 1875. They were the parents of three children, the two daughters, Sara Jane and Nancy A., both dying in early girlhood.

The son of Henry Vanmeter Hall was Joseph Hall. He was born at the Hall homestead in Jackson Township, Pickaway County, February 12, 1847, and was educated in local schools and the Bloomingburg Academy at Bloomingburg, Fayette County. He was a fine penman, a thing much admired in those days, until he suffered an accidental injury to his wrist. He served as trustee of Jackson Township for a number of years, and at one time was candidate for the office of county clerk. Joseph Hall married Mary Elizabeth McCollister, born August 27, 1853, youngest child of Nelson and Elizabeth S. (Thompson) McCollister. They were married at the McCollister home farm in Wayne Township, March 17, 1880. Mrs. Joseph Hall now resides at Columbus, making her home with her son, Major Hall. After their marriage Joseph Hall and his bride established themselves at "Maplewood Farm," nearby. They lived there twenty-two years. Their two children were born at Maplewood, the older, a daughter, Rosamond McCollister Hall, dying at the age of a little more than four months. Joseph Hall in 1902 acquired the old Virginia colonial estate, "Terrace View," in Bedford County, Virginia, near Bellevue. There with his son, Major Hall, under the firm name of Jos. Hall & Son, he engaged in the business of breeding pure bred live stock, Short Horn cattle, Poland China swine and horses. For several years the show stable of this firm was well known, and included several noted blue

ribbon winners and champions, including the champion pair of roadsters, Witch Hazel and Queeniek, Champion Gay Girl, Lady Madison, Virginia Maid, Besse Burns, Bobby Burns, Jr., and others.

Joseph Hall is remembered as a quiet, soft spoken retiring gentleman of the old school, a model of kindly patience, considerate character and of unflinching honor and integrity. Aside from the constant inspiration of his daily life, and the example of worthy manhood he set before the world, the precept which has meant most to his son was the advice once given Major Hall, "Do your duty, as you see it and understand it, without fear of the opinion of others." In November, 1910, Joseph Hall and his wife moved from Terrace View to Lynchburg, Virginia, and early in 1911 to Roanoke, where his death occurred March 30, 1916.

Maj. James Elliott Hall, only son of Joseph and Mary Elizabeth (McCollister) Hall, was born at "Maplewood," in Wayne Township, Pickaway County, about five miles west of Circleville, May 28, 1883. He entered district school a few months before he was six years of age, knowing already how to read and write. Later he attended the grammar schools of Circleville and the Everts High School, now the Circleville High School. During 1897 and 1898 he was a cadet at the New York Military Academy, Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York. After his return to Circleville he reorganized the Everts High School Cadet Corps and was its commandant. He also took a special course in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and throughout his mature career Major Hall has been a diligent student, especially along scientific lines. Besides the opportunities offered him by his business interests he has read and studied widely in agriculture and animal husbandry and in geology, the latter with particular reference to coal and petroleum. His library on geology and coal is said to be one of the best in the country, including many rare volumes, several being the only copies known in the United States.

Major Hall was actively associated for about eight years with the live stock breeding establishment of his father at Bellevue, Virginia. During this period he contributed a series of sixteen articles to "Sports of the Times," one of which, ten years later, resulted in the founding of the American Horse Show Association. In 1908, though only twenty-five years of age, he was appointed a delegate by Governor Claude A. Swanson to represent Virginia at the Farmers National Congress.

In 1910 Major Hall went to Bluefield, West Virginia, where he promoted an artificial gas plant, a half million dollar project, which he carried out successfully and which is still in operation, a subsidiary of the Southern Gas & Electric Corporation of Baltimore. Then, in partnership with his lifelong friend, Thomas M. Morrison, a mining engineer, he organized the Appalachian Coal Land Company, dealing in coal lands and coal mines in West Virginia, Virginia and Kentucky. He was general manager and, after the retirement of Robert S. Ord, became president of the company. On July 31, 1914, just at the outbreak of the World war, Mr. Hall purchased the coal mines and leases of the Raven Fuel Company in Tazewell County, Virginia, and succeeded in financing the Raven Collieries Company in spite of the near panic condition caused by the closing of the New York Stock Exchange during the first months of the World war. He became vice president and subsequently was elected president of this company. He also acted as sales manager, handling the business under a policy of selling largely on "spot" orders rather than tying up the output under a long time contract. A majority of the directors of the company became opposed to this policy, and in February, 1917, the directors failed to reelect Mr. Hall as president and entered into a contract which for a period of two years sold the output of the mines at a price of $1.12½ net per ton. Within a few months the United States entered the war, and coal of the same grade soon sold for $8.50 per ton on the open market.

During the period 1910 to 1918, inclusive, Major Hall had extensive dealings in coal lands in Kentucky and West Virginia, and still retains holdings in both states. It has long been an ambition with him to form and operate a large coal corporation. Early in 1918, at the suggestion of his friend, Frederick W. Braggins, he located at Columbus, Ohio, and upon being offered a commission as captain in the Quartermaster Corps, immediately volunteered his services to the Government. On September 30, 1918, he entered upon his duties in the fuel and forage division office of the quartermaster general, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C., under Maj. George Paul, later being transferred to the raw materials division, purchase, storage and traffic division, the general staff, continuing until May 15, 1919. He was commissioned a major, Quartermasters Reserve Corps, March 27, 1919, in recognition of the able and efficient manner in which he accomplished the discharge of the duties assigned him. His duties consisted of procuring the fuel, including anthracite and bituminous coal, coke and wood for all the army camps, posts, stations and hospitals in the northeastern, eastern and central army departments, covering some thirty-eight states and involving about 90 per cent of the fuel required by the army and for the army transport service. His fuel authorization for the winter 1918-19 amounted to nearly twenty-two million dollars. In addition he was acting personnel officer for his division several months. He also assisted Hon. Benedict Crowell, the assistant secretary of war, in writing his famous book, "America's Munitions, 1917-1918," preparing the chapters on fuel, oils and paints. He also prepared a considerable portion of the material for the Army War College, relating to the history of fuel and forage division and its successors, the raw material division, purchase, storage and traffic division, the general staff.

After May 15, 1919, on retiring from active government service, Major Hall engaged in the oil business in Texas during the great oil boom in that state. He made some large profits in this connection, and still has interests in the petroleum field as well as in coal.

Major Hall on November 17, 1920, married Miss Norma Louise Reif. She was born at Hyde Park, Cincinnati, July 6, 1896, only daughter of Frederick Ulmer and Katherine (Kevill) Reif, and a descendant of the Reifs, Flemings, Kleinmans, Flinchpaughs and Schmidlaps of Cincinnati and Pennsylvania. Major and Mrs. Hall were blessed with one child, Gloria Anne Hall, born on April 3, 1922. God called their fair blossom home February 8, 1924.

Linda Anne Eastman. Linda Anne Eastman is librarian of the Cleveland Public Library and is a former president of the Ohio Library Association. She was born in the college community of Oberlin, Ohio, in 1867, daughter of William Harvey and Sarah (Redrup) Eastman. Her father and her mother's ancestry were English. Roger Eastman, from whom her paternal grandfather was a direct descendant, came to America in 1638. However, her first American ancestors, from her paternal grandmother was a direct descendant, was the famous Capt. Miles Standish.

Miss Eastman was educated in the public schools of Cleveland and under private tutors, and from 1885 to 1892 was a teacher in public schools in West Cleveland and Cleveland. In 1892 she became an assistant in the Cleveland Public Library, and her training,

study and natural qualifications have since made her a prominent figure in the profession of librarian. In 1895 she went to Dayton as assistant librarian and cataloguer in the public library, remaining there during 1895-96. In the latter year she returned to the Cleveland Public Library, serving as vice librarian from 1896 to 1918, and since December, 1918, as librarian.

She was elected president for the term 1903-04 of the Ohio Library Association, of which she is a charter member. Miss Eastman is assistant professor in the library school of Western Reserve University. In the American Library Association she has been a member of the council since 1905, was on the executive board in 1911, and in 1917 served as president. She is a member of the New York Library Association, the American Library Institute, is a charter member and director and was first vice president in 1920 of the Women's City Club of Cleveland; is a member and in 1921-23 was second vice president of the Cleveland Welfare Federation. Miss Eastman has rendered service as a member of various educational and philanthropic boards, has been a contributor to library periodicals, and during 1900-01 was literary editor of the Little Chronicle of Cleveland. Her home is at 1868 E. 82nd Street, Cleveland.

Hon. Mell G. Underwood was born at Rose Farm, Morgan County, Ohio, January 30, 1892, son of James G. and Sarah E. (Newlon) Underwood. His grandparents were early pioneer settlers of Perry County. For many years his grandfather, Elder William Newlon, a primitive Baptist preacher and farmer, was well and favorably known as one of the famous circuit rider ministers of Southeastern Ohio. His ancestors on his mother's side were affiliated with the Primitive Baptist Church while those of his father were Methodists.

James G. Underwood spent practically his entire life in Perry County. For many years he was engaged in farming and various business activities at Corning and New Lexington, Ohio. He was one of the charter members of James A. Garfield Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Corning, Ohio, and retained his membership in that lodge until his death.

Mell G. Underwood's early manhood was spent upon the farm. He followed the usual life of the farmer boy. After completing his rural school education he attended the New Lexington High School and was graduated with highest honors in the class of 1911. While a high school student he had an ambition to become a lawyer and before his graduation was registered for the study of law with Colonel Tom O. Crossan. After completing his high school work Mr. Underwood taught in the rural schools of Pike Township and at the same time ardently pursued the study of his chosen profession. There were eight children in the Underwood family: Roy, Forest, Granville, Jesse, Margaret, Mell G., Ralph and Bryan, the last two serving in the late World war conflict, the youngest, Bryan, giving his last full measure of devotion for his country by reason of disabilities incurred in the service.

Mell G. Underwood's parents were not financially able to give him the benefit of a college education, but this did not deter him. By means of money earned in the teaching profession and as a laborer upon public works, he was able to attend Ohio State University Law School and later admitted to the bar. He began the practice of law in New Lexington, Ohio, and in 1916 was elected prosecuting attorney of Perry County, being the youngest prosecutor in the State of Ohio at that time. He served with distinction and credit in that important office and was reelected for a second term in 1918 by an overwhelming majority of 1,900 votes. Perry County was normally 2,000 Republican but he succeeded in carrying it for his first term by 1,200 votes, which majority was increased in his second race for this office. After retiring with an enviable record he again resumed the practice of law in New Lexington, Ohio. He was a candidate for Congress in the election of 1920 and defeated Judge George H. Pontius of Circleville, Pickaway County, for the Democratic nomination. In the general election of that year he was defeated for Congress by Edwin D. Ricketts, Republican, of Logan, Ohio. That was the year in which the Republican landslide occurred, and although defeated, Mr. Underwood made a marvelous race, being second closest to election among the twenty-two Democratic candidates in the entire State of Ohio, being defeated by a narrow margin.

In 1922 he was again nominated for Congress on the Democratic ticket, winning out in the primary election in a field of six candidates. Again he faced the same opponent in the general election and was elected to the Congress of the United States by a majority of approximately 2,400 votes. He served in the Sixty-eighth Congress and was reelected to the Sixty-ninth Congress in November, 1924, by the largest majority ever given a candidate for Congress on either ticket from the Eleventh Congressional District. His majority was approximately 11,500 votes. He always had the reputation of being a tireless worker and a fighter. He numbered his friends by the legion and among all classes, and was always glad to extend a helping hand to a needy friend, yet practicing charity and justice toward his foes. He was a Knight Templar and a member of all the Masonic bodies at New Lexington, Ohio, also a Shriner, an Elk and Knight of Pythias.

In the "month of roses," 1915, he married Flora E. Lewis, daughter of V. C. and Hallie Lewis of Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio. Miss Lewis was a graduate of the Cadiz High School, attended Ohio University and taught in the public schools of Harrison County. They had two children: Mell G., Jr., and Max Lewis Underwood.

The life and work of Mell G. Underwood is an enviable example of achievement accomplished by hard work, studious effort and an innate desire to overcome the obstacles and difficulties along life's pathway.

Harry Micajah Daugherty, former attorney general of the United States and long prominent in republican party affairs in Ohio, and in the legal profession, was born at Washington Court House, Ohio, January 26, 1860, son of John H. and Jane A. (Draper) Daugherty. His father was a native of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and died when his son, Harry M., was four years of age.

The latter grew up at Washington Court House, attended common schools there and in 1881 graduated in law at the University of Michigan with Bachelor of Laws degrees. Admitted to the Ohio bar at the age of twenty-one, he engaged in private practice, forming in 1881 a partnership of Daugherty & Gregg. In 1890 he became associated with Col. H. B. Maynard, after whose appointment as common pleas judge, a partnership was formed between Mr. Daugherty and Hon. D. I. Worthington. In 1893 Mr. Daugherty located in Columbus, Ohio, opening a law office there, but retaining his connection with the partnership in Washington Court House. After Judge Worthington's elevation to the bench, Mr. Daugherty practiced law alone in Columbus, but eventually formed a partnership of Daugherty, Todd & Rarey, of which firm he was senior member until his appointment as attorney general in the cabinet of President Harding.

Mr. Daugherty's active participation in politics was practically coincident with his professional career.

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His first public office, to which he was elected in 1882, was that of township clerk at Washington Court House, soon followed by election as councilman-at-large. He was defeated for the republican nomination for Congress in 1888 by three votes. A year later he was elected to the General Assembly of Ohio, where he served on the committee on the judiciary and corporations. He was reelected in 1891 and made permanent chairman of the Republican House caucus. He was chairman of the caucus of 1892 that decided the speakership contest upon which turned the Foraker-Sherman struggle for the United States senatorship from Ohio. In 1893 he was temporary chairman of the state convention which nominated McKinley for governor of Ohio. From that time forward he exerted a strong influence in his party in the state. In 1912 Mr. Daugherty was chairman of the state executive committee and managed the Taft presidential campaign in Ohio. In this service he incurred the bitter enmity of the progressives by forcing Roosevelt followers off all state, district and local committees. In doing so he took the position, in which he was upheld by the Supreme Court, that a candidate could not run on two tickets. In 1916 he sought the nomination for United States senator and was defeated by Myron T. Herrick. He was a delegate to the Republican National Conventions of 1904, 1908, 1912 and 1924, being a delegate-at-large in the latter two. Throughout his political career Mr. Daugherty has enjoyed the association and confidence of many noted men in public life, and in recognition of his ability at the bar two presidents proffered him appointment on the Federal bench, but in each instance the honor was declined.

In 1920 Mr. Daugherty managed the pre-primary campaign of Warren G. Harding, republican candidate for president, and after the nomination of Mr. Harding took a prominent part in the campaign for his election. Following the election, Mr. Harding appointed Mr. Daugherty attorney general in his cabinet. Mr. Daugherty served as attorney general of the United States from March 4, 1921, until March 28, 1924, when he resigned and returned to the private practice of law in Columbus, Ohio.

He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has fraternal connections with the Masons, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the Athletic Club, Columbus Club, the Scioto Country Club at Columbus; the Ohio Society of New York, Ohio Society of Washington, the Metropolitan Club and Chevy Chase Club of Washington, and the National Press Club.

Mr. Daugherty married September 3, 1884, Miss Lucy M. Walker (deceased), daughter of Anthony B. Walker of Wellston, Ohio. He has a daughter, Emily B., wife of Ralph F. Rarey, a former law partner of Mr. Daugherty, and a son, Draper M. Daugherty.

Mr. Daugherty will long be a memorable figure in the history of party politics. To his fortune or misfortune, upon him centered the storm of partisan and factional criticism directed against the Harding administration as a whole. In bearing the brunt of this attack he rendered his party a great service, but this service should not be allowed to obscure the main facts of his record in one of the most important of cabinet posts.

His administration of the Department of Justice was marked, from the very beginning, by criticism on the part of members of Congress. With the conclusion of the World war the question of profiteering and gross frauds growing out of the war engaged the attention and was the subject of discussion by Congress and the press of the country, and finally an inquiry into war transactions was demanded. At the request of Attorney General Daugherty, Congress voted a fund of $500,000 for this purpose. Here Mr. Daugherty's genius for organization asserted itself and in an incredibly short time he organized and had under way for the prosecution of civil and criminal actions growing out of war transactions a separate branch of the Department of Justice, known as the War Transactions Section. He employed, as special assistants, distinguished lawyers and ex-judges who sacrificed their time to render a patriotic service to their country. In February, 1924, Attorney General Daugherty made an exhaustive report to President Coolidge, and shortly thereafter to the Congress, of the activities of the War Transactions Section from July 1, 1922, to February 4, 1924, which showed the collection of over $6,000,000 paid into the United States treasury, with claims in process of consummation aggregating nearly $5,000,000, which would shortly make a total recovery to the Government of more than $10,000,000 at an expense of $1,000,000, with all the work of organization and preliminary legal study and investigation completed. In addition, his report showed that he had instituted suits on behalf of the Government to recover over $100,000,000 in the aggregate, and suits to resist additional fraudulent claims against the Government involving approximately $100,000,000.

As this work progressed and the results became public, the attorney general continued to be the subject of criticism and attack throughout the country on the part of corporations and individuals whose transactions were being inquired into by the Government.

In 1922 two strikes of large proportions occurred simultaneously in the United States, that of the coal miners and the railroad shop men. In the latter strike the situation became so grave that the attorney general felt the necessity of taking action in behalf of the Government, and accordingly brought suit against the Railroad Employees' Department of the American Federation of Labor in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois to enjoin the striking shop men and those aiding them from interfering with inter-state commerce and the transportation of the mails. He personally appeared before the Federal Court in Chicago and presented an application for an injunction. A temporary restraining order was granted on September 1, 1922, and upon hearing the case, the court, on July 12, 1923, entered a final decree which ended the strike in thirty-six hours. The strength and effectiveness of the several injunctions decrees are not only a complete vindication of the use by the Government of the civil process of the courts to quell lawless disorders but establishes the principle that the general public has the paramount interest and the right to protection by law from loss and violence incident to industrial disputes.

Shortly thereafter, on September 11, 1922, the continued antagonism to the attorney general culminated in the filing of impeachment charges by Oscar E. Keller of Minnesota, a radical in the House of Representatives. Testimony was taken before the House Committee on the Judiciary, witnesses heard, and, on January 9, 1923, the judiciary committee reported to the House declaring, "it does not appear that there is any ground to believe that Harry M. Daugherty, attorney general, has been guilty of any high crime or misdemeanor requiring the interposition of the impeachment powers of the House." On January 25, 1923, the House, by a vote of 204 to 77, adopted the report and resolution of the judiciary committee, completely exonerating Attorney General Daugherty and discharged the committee.

The investigation into the leasing of government oil lands by a senatorial committee in 1924 was used as the basis of a new attack upon the attorney general, and notwithstanding it was admitted and proved

that he had had no part in the making of the oil leases, old charges therefore proven groundless were renewed at the hearing before the Walsh Investigating Committee. A group of senators led by Senator Carraway of Arkansas and Senator Wheeler of Montana, both democrats, demanded his resignation, charging him with laxity in enforcing the laws and citing, as showing his unfitness for office, the attorney general's request to the President that the President appoint special counsel to conduct the oil lease cases, although it was clearly stated that such request was made because of the attorney general's former association with ex-Secretary Fall as a cabinet member. The resignation of Secretary of the Navy Denby served to stimulate the political crusade against the attorney general and a group of republican senators, ostensibly concerned with the prospects of their party, urged President Coolidge to request the attorney general to resign. Mr. Daugherty announced that he would not resign until an investigation of his official acts had been made. The Senate thereupon appointed a special committee to inquire into his official conduct. The hearing was begun on March 12, 1924. In the course of the hearing, the committee demanded certain papers and files of the Department of Justice. The attorney general refused to comply on the ground that the indiscriminate delivery of the files of the Department of Justice, or parts thereof, was not compatible with the public interest. President Coolidge, through whom the committee demanded the papers, while approving the established principle that government departments should not give out departmental documents, utilized the incident to request the resignation of the attorney general, taking the view that the latter could not be a disinterested adviser of what documents the committee needed in passing upon his official conduct. Mr. Daugherty resigned as attorney general on March 28, 1924, stating in his formal resignation that he did so only out of deference to the request of the President, and protesting in a separate letter accompanying his resignation that no specific charges had been filed against him, that the pretended charges were false, that his elimination from the president's cabinet was but a part of a program to discredit not only him but the republican party and every official of the administration eventually, and that a biased committee was undertaking to convict him by malicious gossip repeated by irresponsible and corrupt witnesses.

As attorney general, Mr. Daugherty incurred the enmity of union labor, as well as those he had prosecuted and sent to prison for violations of the anti-trust laws, the Volstead act and other laws. Powerful organizations and individuals and the radical element of the country joined in the vindictive attempt to bring about his political downfall, but throughout the unjustifiable attacks upon his integrity, he courageously stood his ground and was backed by a considerable element in his own party and throughout the country. In the hearings before the special Senate committee, Mr. Daugherty was denied the privilege of calling witnesses in his own behalf, and although the committee commenced its hearings on March 12th, it was not until June 6th, the day before Congress adjourned, that we was invited to appear before the committee. Meanwhile, the committee had issued a subpoena duces tecum to the officers of the Midland National Bank of Washington Court House, Ohio (of which bank M. S. Daugherty, brother of the former attorney general, was president), to produce certain books and documents. On refusing to comply therewith, a warrant was issued by the president pro tempore of the Senate of the United States. The bank appealed to the courts for a judicial determination of the powers of the senatorial committee. On May 31, 1924, a decision was rendered by Judge Cochran of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, holding that the committee was exercising a power not granted by the Constitution and its actions were void. Thereupon, on June 4, 1924, Mr. Daugherty advised the senatorial committee that in obedience to a decision of Judge Cochran, he must decline to appear before the committee either in person or through his attorneys, and accordingly withdrew from the hearings. In his communication to the committee, Mr. Daugherty called attention to his willingness to appear and assist the committee at any time theretofore, charged the committee with evident unfairness in the conduct of the hearings and its attitude toward him and took occasion to deny and contradict the charges against him.

The close of the great war necessarily left the administrative departments of the Government in a condition of confusion. The need for reorganization was evident on every hand. Of all the powerful arms of the Government, the Department of Justice is the one department that interlocks all the others, and perhaps in the entire history of the Government, never did the Department of Justice face such an avalanche of work as it faced at the beginning of the Harding administration in 1921. There was an alarming congestion of dockets in the federal courts with an excess of 100,000 cases pending, enormous war litigation, alien property claims, new laws opposed by many citizens, besides the spirit of unrest and disrespect for law prevalent throughout the land. How well the attorney general, Harry M. Daugherty of Ohio, applied himself to the situation, reorganized the Department of Justice and brought order out of chaos, history alone will record in due time. Aside from the enormous amount of work disposed of during his regime, which is a matter of record in the department, the attorney general gave time and attention to the improvement of the service and the initiation of constructive and humanitarian projects. For the betterment of the administration of the government's business, he took steps early in his term of office to bring about the appointment of additional federal judges, and at his solicitation, Congress passed legislation authorizing the appointment of twenty-four additional judges. It was Attorney General Daugherty who initiated legislation for the establishment of an industrial reformatory for female offenders against the laws of the United States. The Federal Government has never had an institution of its own in which to incarcerate female prisoners. Shortly after Mr. Daugherty's retirement from office Congress passed the necessary legislation to provide such an institution. It was Attorney General Daugherty who initiated legislation for the establishment of a federal institution for the incarceration of male first offenders between the ages of seventeen and thirty years. This measure was passed on January 7, 1925. It was Attorney General Daugherty who saw in prison idleness a great evil and during his administration the duck mill established at the Atlanta penitentiary became a profitable enterprise to the Government and profitable and beneficial to the prisoners. Recognizing this, Congress provided for the establishment of a shoe factory at Leavenworth penitentiary. These enterprises enable prisoners to perform useful work and at the same time be of some financial assistance to their families during their incarceration in prison. Every humanitarian project was given encouragement and assistance by Mr. Daugherty and his record in this respect is an enviable one.

Edward Paxson Galbreath. The great-great-grandfather of Edward Paxson Galbreath was born, according to tradition, in Scotland. His great-grandfather, James Galbreath (1), was born in Ireland and came with the Quaker immigrants to Pennsyl-

vania prior to 1761. His wife's name was Ann. Available records do not give her maiden name.

The grandfather of Edward Paxson Galbreath, James Galbreath (2), was born in Pennsylvania, "ye 14th day of ye first month 1761." His twin sister's name was Mary. They were the youngest of a family of eight children. The other six, in the order of their ages, were: William, Caroline, Jane, Ann, John and Elizabeth. His wife's maiden name was Susannah Hiatt, who was born "the 8th of 2nd mo. 1764," in North Carolina. Her father, John Hiatt, the son of George and Martha Hiatt, was born in England, "ye 19th of 12th mo., 1729," and her mother, Sarah Hiatt, the daughter of George and Mary Hudson, was born in Wales, "the 9th day of 6th mo., 1729."

The grandfather of Edward Paxson Galbreath, James Galbreath (2), and his wife, Susannah (Hiatt) Galbreath, had six children: Asher, David, Anna, Sarah, Susanna, and Ruth. Susanna and Ruth died before they reached the age of six years, and Asher in his eighteenth year. Sarah married Stephen Hambleton, who died in 1859. Her second husband was James Hambleton. Anna married Moses Hambleton.

David Galbreath was born in South Carolina "ye first day of ye 2nd mo., 1799." He married Sarah W. Paxson, daughter of Jacob Paxson and Elizabeth (Pettit) Paxson, "12th mo., 3d, 1818." She was born in Pennsylvania "the 6th of the 6th mo., 1801." Her mother was the daughter of William and Sarah Pettit. To David Galbreath and his wife, Sarah, were born the following children: James Hiatt, born August 16, 1819, died January 7, 1887; Elizabeth Paxson, born April 3, 1821, died August 30, 1903; Matilda Canby, born February 20, 1823, died July 2, 1899; Jacob Heston, born February 12, 1825, died September 28, 1870; Mary Emma, born March 1, 1827, died November 23, 1828; Mary Caroline, born December 6, 1828, died January 5, 1829; William Franklin, born January 31, 1830, died December 5, 1913; Edward Paxson, born May 25, 1832, died August 25, 1907; Jesse Garretson, born August 30, 1834, died March 26, 1917; Harriet Almina, born March 11, 1837, died August 29, 1863; Abigal Vickers, born August 22, 1839, died January 8, 1923; Charles Burleigh, born July 22, 1841, died August 17, 1855; Parker Pillsbury, born November 30, 1844, died December 15, 1921; Anne Louisa, born May 8, 1847, died November 26, 1853.

Edward Paxson Galbreath was born in Hanover Township, Columbiana County, May 25, 1832. He afterward moved with his parents to Fairfield Township, Columbiana County, Ohio, where he was united in marriage February 28, 1855, to Jane Minerva Shaw, who was born June 29, 1837. Of this union the following children were born: Charles Burleigh, born February 25, 1858; Edith Helen, born March 10, 1860; James Edwin, born April 1, 1862; Asher Abraham, born June 8, 1864; Leonard William, born September 14, 1867; Alice Edna, born December 16, 1872.

Charles Burleigh Galbreath married Ida Kelley, July 29, 1882. To them one son, Albert Webster, was born October 29, 1883.

Albert Webster Galbreath married Stella Anise Snow, October 14, 1907.

Edith Helen Galbreath married Frank E. Whitacre, March 8, 1878. To them were born four children; Edward Byron, Anna Elizabeth, Margaret Opal and Ernest Uriah. Frank E. Whitacre died January 5, 1893.

Edward Byron Whitacre married Margaret Hopton, December 15, 1893. To them were born three children: Alice Marie, Edith and Margaret.

Anna Elizabeth Whitacre married Stanton Heck, April 3, 1899. To them were born two children: Helen Margaret and Edward Stanton.

Helen Margaret Heck married Harold Pier Braman, December 8, 1923.

Margaret Opal Whitacre married Ralph Coffee, November 12, 1903. To them were born four children: Edris Ida, Charles Byron, Anna Lois, and Marguerite Jane. Ralph Coffee died November 12, 1924.

Ernest Uriah Whitacre married Grace Galbreath, May 16, 1905. To them were born four children: Dorothy Elizabeth, Ruth Virginia, Betty Winifred, and Lucile. Dorothy Elizabeth and Ruth Virginia died in infancy.

James Edwin Galbreath married Luella Longshore, March 18, 1886. To them was born one daughter, Mabel Alice.

Mabel Alice Galbreath married Dean Price, September 12, 1916. To them was born one child, Charity.

Asher Abraham Galbreath married Anna Randolph, June 5, 1888. To them were born six children: Edith Emma, William Everette, Edward Randolph, Anna Ruth, John Aubrey, and Elizabeth Louise.

Edith Emma Galbreath married James Franklin Elliott, September 7, 1907. To them were born two children: Elvera Saramarie and James Franklin.

William Everette Galbreath married Frances Margaret Souders, March 16, 1921.

Edward Randolph Galbreath married Vida Ellen George, October 17, 1917.

Leonard William Galbreath married Anna Florence Heacock, September 14, 1887. To them were born three children: Mary Almira, Ida Myrtle, and Helen Jane.

Mary Elmira Galbreath married Raymond Sidney Exten, August 20, 1893. To them were born three children: Robert Edwin, Anna Sophia, and Dorothy Mae.

Helen Jane Galbreath married Alfred Marion Poulton, July 31, 1920. To them was born one child, John Louis.

Alice Edna Galbreath married Rev. George B. Carr, June 12, 1894. To them were born two children: Georgia Edna and Donald. Rev. George B. Carr died August 8, 1920.

Georgia Edna Carr married Clifford J. Bland, May 5, 1921. To them was born one daughter, Janet Louise.

Six of the sons and two of the daughters of David Galbreath married and had families. Their descendants are now living in many states. One of the daughters, Elizabeth, married Thomas Elwood Vickers. Another, Harriet, married Israel H. Moredick. A number of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren live in Ohio and Iowa. Jacob Heston Galbreath moved to Illinois before the outbreak of the Civil war. More than one hundred of his descendants now live in Illinois and Indiana. One of his sons, William, was fatally wounded in the battle of Shiloh; another son, Edwin, now living in Griffin, Posey County, Indiana, served through that war. John, the son of James Hiatt Galbreath, was also a Civil war veteran and served under Sheridan and Custer.

Two sons of Edward Paxson Galbreath, Charles Burleigh and Asher Abraham, were graduated from Mount Union (Ohio) College and both were school teachers. The former was state librarian of Ohio for eighteen years, secretary of the 1912 constitutional convention of that state and is at present (1925) secretary, librarian and editor of the Ohio State Archæological and Historical Society. He is a writer of history and verse. His war lyric, "In Flanders Fields—An Answer," has been widely published in newspapers and periodicals, has found its way into a number of school readers and anthologies and has been set to music by the well-known composer,

Mentor Crosse. Asher Abraham Galbreath was an Ohio state senator, 1916-1917.

Ernest Uriah Whitacre, son of Edith Helen (Galbreath) Whitacre, was an Ohio state representative two successive terms, 1916-1919, and state inspector of workshops and factories, 1920-1922. Albert Webster Galbreath, son of Charles Burleigh Galbreath, educated at Otterbein (Ohio) College and Ohio State University, was a volunteer in the World war, Twelfth Regiment of Engineers, saw twenty-one months active service overseas, eleven with the British and ten with the American army, and attained the rank of captain. His regiment on August, 15, 1917, led the march through London. They were the first foreign armed troops to march through that city since the days of William the Conqueror (1066). He is at present chief valuation engineer of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad.

Following is a list of the descendants of Edward Paxson Galbreath who were graduated from the institutions indicated: Ida Myrtle Galbreath, Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania; Mabel Alice (Galbreath) Price, Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio; Anna Ruth Galbreath, Kent (Ohio) Normal College; Helen Margaret (Heck) Braman, University of Wisconsin; Georgia Edna (Carr) Bland, Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania; Donald Galbreath Carr, Pratt Institute.

Except the two daughters of Ernest Uriah Whitacre who died in infancy, all the descendants of Edward Paxson Galbreath are now (1925) living.

His ancestors, so far as known, were members of the Society of Friends. When they came to America they first settled in Eastern Pennsylvania. Afterward they moved to North Carolina, then to South Carolina, probably to the Bush River meeting. They came with the Quaker migration to Ohio, soon after it was admitted to the Union, to escape unpleasant contact with slavery in the South and find a new home in this newly created free state. They settled in Hanover Township, Columbiana County, about the year 1803, where a little later they joined with others of their faith in erecting the first Friend's "meeting house" of the township. It appears that a liberal spirit was manifest in this settlement from the beginning, as this "meeting house" was, almost from the date of its building, open to other religious denominations. In this township, of Quaker parents, was afterward born Thomas Corwin Mendenhall, who rose to national and international fame as an educator. To this neighborhood, but in an adjoining township, came the Coppock family, two of whose sons went with John Brown to Harper's Ferry. The community became somewhat noted for its radical hostility to slavery.

David Galbreath moved with his family to Fairfield Township, Columbiana County. Edward Paxson, his son, lived here many years on a farm, and here all his children were born. He held no official position of importance, serving only as district school director and justice of the peace.

He was fond of the folk songs and ballads that were locally popular in his day and sang them well. He enjoyed the choice things in the meager literature to which he had access and read them aloud with fine effect. He had a receptive mind and a retentive memory. With different environment he would doubtless have made creditable record in some profession. But like his ancestors for generations and the members of the community of which he was a part, he was content to accept his lot and say in the language of another: "I will live in my own sphere nor wish it other than it is." And thus it was that, although his health was impaired in his later years, he lived a large measure of the life ascribed to such as he in the "Elegy," which he used to repeat with rythmic intonation and evident satisfaction:

Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife,
Their sober wishes never learned to stray;
Along the cool, sequestered vale of life,
They kept the noiseless tenor of their way.

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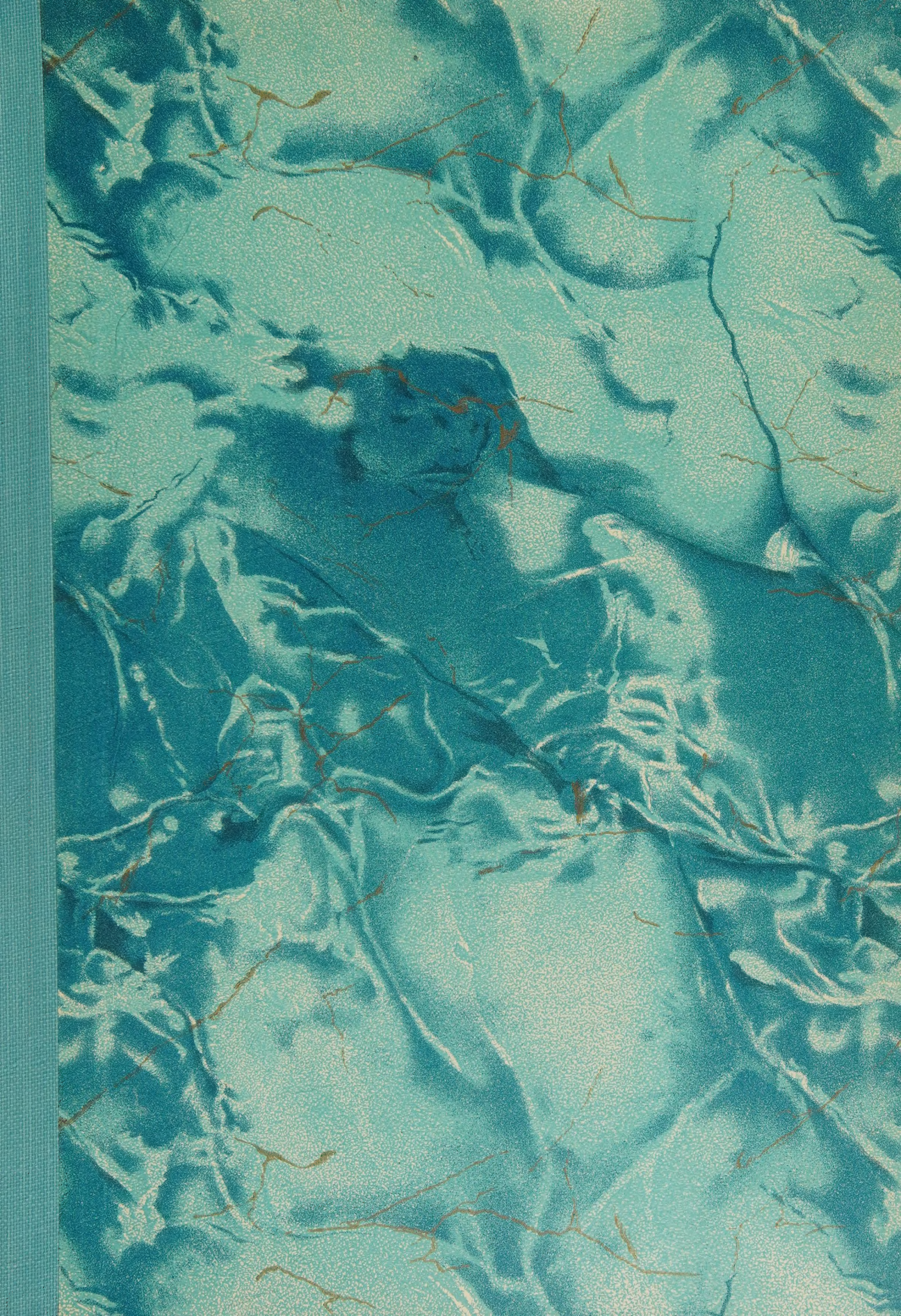

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